ABSTRACT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Achievements and performance from April 2013 to March 2014

This has been a successful year for Circle. Listed below are some of our highlights.

The number of service users benefiting from our services

Between April 2013 and March 2014 Circle provided whole family support to 672 families comprised of 1,277 children, 875 parents, 193 kinship carers, 2,345 family members. In addition, through Circle's Haven project we also provided group work programmes to 158 children, 102 mothers and 57 fathers who were not accessing our family support services. In total, Circle worked with 2,614 family members, a 21% increase on the previous year.

Diversify our funding base and spreading our funding risk

Circle's income has increased by 27% this financial year to £2,051,491. In addition to funding streams already in place, we were delighted by the following grants.

In April 2013 Circle was awarded £152,000 from the Shine PSP for Women Offenders and £173,289 from the New Routes PSP for Prolific Male Offenders. This new funding from the Scottish Government and the Robertson Trust enabled Circle to employ 8 family support workers to work with 147 families with children affected by parental imprisonment between April 2013 and March 2014. In September 2013 the Henry Smith Charity awarded Circle £25,000 a year for three years towards the cost of a manager for the above work.

In May 2013 Circle was awarded £569,060 from Big Lottery which administers the Scottish Government's Early Intervention Fund. This new funding enabled Circle to employ 8 family support workers and a full time manager to work with 178 families with children affected by parental drug and alcohol use living in Edinburgh, West Lothian and North and South Lanarkshire.

In May 2013 Circle was awarded £75,484 from the Scottish Government's Strategic Partnership Fund. This new funding enabled Circle to employ a full time Business Manager and a half time Service Development Manager to build the capacity of the organisation. On 21 May 2013 Aileen Campbell MSP, the Minister for Children and Young People, visited Circle to formally launch this new Fund.

In July 2013 through monies raised by a benefactor and her contacts, Circle was able to move into two new geographical areas, East Lothian and Midlothian, and employ 2 family support workers to work with families with children affected by parental drug and alcohol use. Between July 2013 and March 2014 Circle had worked with 31 families in these areas.

In October 2013 following a successful application to the Scottish Government's Family Support PSP, Circle entered a partnership with Children 1st and formed the Supporting Families in East Lothian PSP. This funding enabled Circle to employ 1.5 family support workers who have worked with 6 families between January and March 2014.

In January 2014 the R S Macdonald Charitable Trust awarded Circle £25,000 a year for two years towards the cost of a manager to manage the work in East and Midlothian.

Between April 2013 and March 2014 Circle opened new saving accounts with Santander and the Airdrie Savings Bank in order to spread our risks. We are in the process of changing our current account from the Cooperative Bank to the CAF Bank.

Achievements and performance from April 2013 to March 2014 (continued)

Being at the forefront of expertise on children and families

Circle is committed to the personal development of the families we work with. Here are some of the new experiences that families benefited from.

In April 2013, 50 families from Edinburgh, West Lothian and North and South Lanarkshire benefited from caravan holidays in Berwick-upon-Tweed, Haggerston Castle and Ayr. This was funded through Inspiring Scotland; the funding also covered transport to and from the holiday and activity passes which allowed the children to experience horse riding, archery, water activities and golf. For most of these families this was their first ever holiday.

In May 2013, 19 Circle staff members and friends ran in the Edinburgh marathon festival and raised £3,986 to cover the cost of summer holiday activities and outings for families. These included trips to Edinburgh Zoo, Blair Drummond Safari Park, M&D's and Almond Valley Heritage Park.

In July 2013, 43 children enjoyed week long camping trips in a variety of settings throughout Scotland. These holidays were coordinated by a staff member from the FABI team and were organised, staffed and funded through the Scripture Union.

In July 2013, 11 children and 3 staff members from the Haven Project enjoyed 5 days at the Hopscotch house in Ardvullin, this was funded through Hopscotch and the Edinburgh Children's Holiday Fund.

In August 2013, a number of families from the Haven Project took part in a storytelling week; the week was a great success and resulted in a fantastic story named "The Pirate Storm" which has now been published as a book using the children's artwork.

Between September 2013 and January 2014, 15 young people took part in the Natural Capital Group run by staff members from the Kinship Care and Harbour projects and funded through the Daisy Chain Trust. The young people had the opportunity to explore Edinburgh's historical sites, with a focus on natural heritage. They visited sites such as Holyrood Park and Edinburgh Castle and were awarded their Natural Capital Certificates in the Surgeons' Hall on 24 January 2014.

Between November 2013 and February 2014, 110 free tickets secured by staff members from the Harbour Project, enabled families to attend performances of "A Christmas Carol" at the Lyceum Theatre and "Cinderella" at the King's Theatre. The Salvation Army was also extremely generous over the Christmas period providing food boxes for the families and presents for the children, young people, parents and carers we work with.

Being a leader in people development and engagement:

Circle is committed to the continuous professional development of its staff. We do this through supervision, team meetings, quarterly Staff Development Days, annual appraisals, and regular input from our Advisory Panel members. We also provide practice learning opportunities for social work students which are supervised by staff who are practice teachers.

In June 2013 Circle employed its first Intern funded through Third Sector Internship Scotland and SCVO on a 10 week internship with the specific task of developing and implementing a social media strategy. We were so impressed with the work of the Intern that we raised the money so we could continue to employ him 2 days a week until he finishes his University course in May 2014. We are now seeking funding to make this a full time post.

In June 2013 some of FABI team moved into their new office based in the Living Waters Church in Bellshill. Monthly whole team meetings are now held there and the team is feeling a lot less isolated as a result.

Achievements and performance from April 2013 to March 2014 (continued)

Being a leading voice on children and families

In June 2013 the final member to Circle's Advisory Panel was recruited and in October 2013 we had our first annual meeting of the Advisory Panel members, Board members and the Management Team. Individual Advisory Panel members have attended management team meetings throughout the year to share their skills, knowledge and experience.

In July 2013 David Tennant, one of Circle's Patrons, agreed to take part in a film on Circle's work. The film was completed in September 2013 and has now been used at a number of Circle events as well as causing quite a stir with David Tennant fans when we put a short clip of it on our website.

In November 2013 Circle held its first Annual Lecture at the Royal Botanic Gardens. Dr Mark Smith from Edinburgh University traced the history of Circle, emphasising the important role played by the voluntary sector in supporting vulnerable families. The Lord Provost also hosted a seminar in the City Chambers on Circle's work with Kinship Carers.

In November 2013 Circle had two external evaluation reports produced on its work with families affected by parental imprisonment. The first was produced by Pro Bono Economics and is titled "An assessment of the economic costs and benefits of Circle's Meet at the Gate programme" and has been well received by our major stakeholders. The second was commissioned by the Robertson Trust and produced by Smart Consultancy and is titled "Review of Circle's 'Families Affected by Imprisonment' (FABI) Project" and reviewed the work from 2008 to 2013.

Between July 2013 and March 2014 the Board has reviewed Circle's Memorandum and Articles of Association. It is felt that the current use of the word "harm" within Clause 4.2 of our Articles of Memorandum is potentially limiting and therefore should be changed to "affect". We are also amending the Articles of Association to accommodate a change in the length of terms that a Director can serve on the Board. There is also a change from referring to 'Executive Officers' to that of 'Office Bearer Role', in the existing articles. These changes relate to Clauses 72 onwards (change to Director's term) and Clause 107 onwards (change in reference from 'Executive Officers' to 'Office Bearer Role'). There is also a change in quorum (Clauses 44, 45 and 73). The proposed changes have been sent to OSCR and should be accepted and returned to us in time for our AGM in July 2014.

SUMMARISED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

STATEMENT of FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES for the year ended 31 March 2014

		Restricted Funds		Total 2013 £
Incoming resources Incoming resources from generated funds				
Voluntary income – donations and grants Investment income – bank interest Incoming resources from	30,260 2,352			45,319 10,882
charitable activities		2,018,879		
Total incoming resources		2,018,879		
Resources expended				
Cost of generating voluntary income Charitable activities	814		814 1,929,112	
Governance costs	5,289		5,289	
Total resources expended	6,103	1,929,112		1,774,745
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources and net movement of funds	26,509	89,767	116,276	(163,638)
Reserves brought forward	377,688	199,009	576,697	740,335
Reserves carried forward	404,197 ======	288,776 =====	692,973 ======	576,697 ======

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

SUMMARISED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 March 2014

	£	2014 £	£	2013 £
Fixed assets Tangible assets		15,887		23,473
Current assets Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	96,139 762,801		50,045 640,229	
	858,940		690,274	
Creditors: amounts due within one year	181,854		137,050	
Net current assets		677,086		553,224
Net assets		692,973 ======		576,697 ======
Reserves Unrestricted funds Restricted funds		404,197 288,776		377,688 199,009
		692,973 ======		576,697 =====

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

The summarised financial statements have been extracted from the full financial statements which were approved on 28 July 2014 and do not constitute the charity's statutory financial statements. The statutory financial statements have been audited and the auditors' opinion was unqualified. The statutory financial statements have also been submitted to the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator.

The summarised financial statements include additional information extracted from the Director's Report, but not the full text of that report. For further information, the full annual financial statements, the auditors' report on these financial statements, and the Directors' Report should be consulted. Copies of the audited financial statements can be obtained by writing to Circle.

Approved by the Directors and signed on their behalf by:-

Caroline Lamb, Director

Barry Rose, Director

S August 2014

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' STATEMENT TO THE DIRECTORS AND MEMBERS OF FAMILY SERVICE UNIT SCOTLAND KNOWN AS CIRCLE

We have examined the summarised financial statements of Family Service Unit Scotland (known as Circle) for the year ended 31 March 2014.

Respective responsibilities of the Directors and auditors

The Directors are responsible for preparing the summarised financial statements in accordance with applicable United Kingdom law. Our responsibility is to report to you our opinion on the consistency of the summarised financial statements with the full annual financial statements and the Directors' Report, and its compliance with the relevant requirements of section 427 of the Companies Act 2006 and the regulations made thereunder.

We also read the other information contained in the Abstract of the Financial Statements and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements or material inconsistencies with the summarised financial statements. The other information comprised the Achievements and Performance report.

Basis of opinion

We conducted our work in accordance with the terms of our engagement. Our report on the charitable company's full annual financial statements describes the basis of our opinion on those financial statements and on the Directors' Report.

Opinion

In our opinion the summarised financial statements are consistent with the full annual financial statements and the Directors' report of Family Service Unit Scotland (known as Circle) for the year ended 31 March 2014, and it complies with the applicable requirements of section 427 of the Companies Act 2006, and the regulations made thereunder.

We have not considered the effects of any events between the date on which we sign our report on the full financial statements, 30 July 2014, and the date of this statement.

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DIRECTORS' STATEMENT

26 August 2014

The auditor has issued unqualified reports on the full annual financial statements and on the consistency of the Directors' Report with those financial statements. Their report on the full annual financial statements contained no statement under sections 498(2)(a) of the Companies Act 2006.