

Annual Return (AR30) form

Society Name: Meadow Blue Community Energy Limited
Society Num: 7099

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- this form;
- a set of the society's accounts; and
- where required, an audit report or report on the accounts.

A society must submit the Annual Return within 7 months of the end of the society's financial year. Failure to submit on time is a prosecutable offence.

Please note that this form, including any details provided on the form, will be made available to the public through the Mutuels Public Register.

For guidance on our registration function for societies, which includes guidance on the requirement to submit an Annual Return, please see [here](#)

2.1 What date did the financial year covered by these accounts end?

30/06/2021

3.1 Please provide the names of the people who were directors of the society during the financial year this return covers.

Some societies use the term 'committee member' or 'trustee' instead of 'director'. For ease of reference, we use 'director' throughout this form.

Name of Director	Month of Birth	Year of Birth
Roger Michael James Marshall	Aug	1948
Christoper Charles Rowland	Sep	1963
Nicholas Rouse	Sep	1946
David Barton resigned may	Nov	1956

Julia Waterlow	Jan	1956
John Eric Parkinson	Jan	1956

3.2 All directors must be 16 or older. Please confirm this is this case:

☒ All directors are aged 16 or over

3.3 Societies are within the scope of the Company Director Disqualification Act 1986 (CDDA). Please confirm that no director is disqualified under that Act:

☒ No director is disqualified

3.4 Please state any close links which any of the directors has with any society, company or authority.

'Close links' includes any directorships or senior positions held by directors of the society in other organisations.

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3.5 Please provide the name of the person who was secretary at the end of the financial year this return covers.

Societies must have a secretary

Name of Secretary	Month of Birth	Year of Birth
Nicholas Rouse	Sep	1946

4.1 Please confirm that:

☒ accounts are being submitted with this form

☒ the accounts comply with relevant statutory and accounting requirements

☒ the accounts are signed by two members and the secretary (3 signatures in total)

4.2 Based on the accounts, please provide the information requested below for the financial year covered by this return.

Number of members	<input type="text" value="193"/>
Turnover	<input type="text" value="727,295"/>
Assets	<input type="text" value="6,015,761"/>
Number of Employees	<input type="text" value="0"/>
Share Capital	<input type="text" value="1,343,086"/>
Highest rate of interest paid on shares	<input type="text" value="5"/>

4.3 What Standard Industrial Classification code best describes the society's main business?

Where more than one code applies, please select the code that you feel best describes the society's main business activity. You will find a full list of codes [here](#)

SIC Code **Production of electricity (35110)** *

Societies are required to appoint an auditor to audited unless they are small or have disapplied this requirement. For further guidance see chapter 7 of our guidance:

<https://www.fca.org.uk/publication/finalised-guidance/fg15-12.pdf>

5.1 Please select the audit option the society has complied with:

- ☒ Full Professional Audit
- ☐ Auditor's report on the accounts
- ☐ Lay Audit
- ☐ No audit

5.2 Please confirm the audit option used by the society is compliant with the society's own rules and the Act

☒ We have complied with the audit requirements

5.3 Please confirm any audit report (where required) is being submitted with this Annual Return

- ☒ Yes
☐ Not applicable

5.4 Is this society accepted by HM Revenue and Customs (HMRC) as a charity for tax purposes?

- ☐ Yes
☒ No

5.5 If the society is registered with the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR) please provide your OSCR registration number.

- ☐ Registered
☒ Not applicable

5.6 Is the society a housing association?

- ☒ No
☐ Yes

6.1 Is the society a subsidiary of another society?

- ☐ Yes
☒ No

6.2 Does the society have one or more subsidiaries?

(As defined in sections 100 and 101 of the Act)

- ☒ Yes
☐ No

6.3 If the society has subsidiaries, please provide the names of them below

(or attach an additional sheet)

**Reg
Number**

Name

09631133

Merston Renewable Energy CIC

6.4 Please provide below (or on a separate sheet) the names of subsidiaries not dealt with in group accounts (if any) and reasons for exclusions:

(the society must have written authority from us to exclude a subsidiary from group accounts)

Reg Number	Name	Reason for Exclusion
0	0	0

All societies are registered meeting one of two conditions for registration. These are that the society is either:

- a bona fide co-operative society ('co-operative society'); or
- are conducting business for the benefit of the community ('community benefit society').

Your society is registered meeting the condition for registration that it is conducting its business for the benefit of the community.
For further information on the condition for registration, please see chapter 5 of our guidance [here](#).

Community benefit societies must answer the following questions in relation to the financial year covered by this return.

7B.1 What is the business of the society?

For example, did you provide social housing, run an amateur sports club etc.

Meadow Blue Community Energy Ltd was set up in 2015 to build and run a community owned solar array to reduce our impact on climate change, reduce emissions of Carbon Dioxide and other pollutants, and generate funds and activities to benefit the local Sussex community in accordance with Society's objects.

7B.2 Please describe the benefits to the community the society delivered?

Here we are looking to see what the benefits to the community were. Community can be said to be the community at large. For example, did you relieve poverty or homelessness through the provision of social housing.

Our community solar farm has generated nearly 6,000,000 kilowatt hours of low carbon electricity, equivalent to the annual consumption of 2,000 homes.
In the year to June 2020, £5,545 was paid to Oving Parish Council towards community improvements in the Parish and £5,000 was donated to Chichester High School to provide funding for resources to help with home learning and operational issues created by the Covid-19 pandemic. The funds were used by Chichester High School to purchase books and laptops.

7B.3 Please describe how the society's business delivered these benefits?

The business of the society must be conducted for the benefit of the community. Please describe how the society's business (as described in answer to question 7B.1) provided benefit to the community.

Community activities were managed by the Society's board of volunteer directors.

The solar farm generated 5,910,741 kWh in 2020 of renewable electricity, reducing carbon emissions and donated £10,545 to the local community.

7B.4 Did the society work with a specific community, and if so, please describe it here?

For instance, were the society's activities confined to a specific location; or to a specific group of people? Please note that in serving the needs of any defined community, the society should not inhibit the benefit to the community at large.

The Society serves the Sussex communities of the Bognor Regis conurbation, Chichester and the surrounding area. The Society serves the community at large through reducing carbon emissions through low carbon electricity generation.

7B.5 What did the society do with any surplus or profit?

For instance, did you pay a dividend to members (and if so, on what basis); did money get reinvested in the business; put into reserves; used for some other purpose?

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7B.6 Please state any significant commercial arrangements that the society has, or had, with any other organisation that could create, or be perceived as creating, a conflict of interest.

Please tell us how you ensured that any such conflict of interest did not prevent the society from acting for the benefit of the community.

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Section 1 – About this form

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Section 2 – About this application

Society name	Meadow Blue Community Energy Ltd
Register number	7099
Registered address	2 Station Street, Lewes, East Sussex
Postcode	BN7 2DA

2.1 What date did the financial year covered by these accounts end?

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Section 3 – People

3.1 Please provide the names of the people who were directors of the society during the financial year this return covers. Some societies use the term 'committee member' or 'trustee' instead of 'director'. For ease of reference, we use 'director' throughout this form.

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Nicholas Rouse	September	1946

Section 4 – Financial information

4.1 Please confirm that:

- accounts are being submitted with this form ☒
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35110

Section 5 – Audit

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5.1 Please select the audit option the society has complied with:

- Full professional audit ☒
- Auditor's report on the accounts ☐
- Lay audit ☐
- No audit ☐

5.2 Please confirm the audit option used by the society is compliant with the society's own rules and the Act

We have complied with the audit requirements ☒

5.3 Please confirm any audit report (where required) is being submitted with this Annual Return

Yes ☒

Not applicable ☐

The information below impacts the level of audit required of the society's accounts. Please provide answers to the following questions.

5.4 Is this society accepted by HM Revenue and Customs (HMRC) as a charity for tax purposes?

Yes ☐

No ☒

5.5 If the society is registered with the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR) please provide your OSCR registration number.

Not applicable ☒

OSCR number:	
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5.6 Is the society a housing association?

No ☒ Go to **section 6**

Yes ☐ Go to question **5.7**

5.7 Please confirm which housing regulator you are registered with, and provide the registration number they have given you:

		Registration number
Homes and Communities Agency	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Scottish Housing Regulator	<input type="checkbox"/>	
The Welsh Ministers	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Department for Communities (Northern Ireland)	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Section 6 – Subsidiaries

6.1 Is the society a subsidiary of another society?

Yes ☐

No ☒

6.2 Does the society have one or more subsidiaries? (As defined in sections 100 and 101 of the Act)

Yes ☒ Continue to question 6.3

No ☐ Continue to Section 7

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- are conducting business for the benefit of the community ('community benefit society').

A society must answer the questions set out in either Section 7A or Section 7B of this form, depending on which condition of registration it meets.

If you are not sure which condition for registration applies to the society please see chapters 4 and 5 of our guidance:

<https://www.fca.org.uk/publication/finalised-guidance/fg15-12.pdf>

Section 7A - Co-operative societies

Co-operative societies must answer the following questions in relation to the financial year covered by this return.

7A.1 What is the business of the society? For example, did you provide housing, manufacture goods, develop IT systems etc.

7A.2 Please describe the members' common economic, social and cultural needs and aspirations. In answering this question, please make sure it is clear what needs and aspirations members had in common.

7A.3 How did the society's business meet those needs and aspirations?

You have described the society's business answer to question 7A.1, and in question 7A.2 you have described the common needs and aspirations of members. Please now describe how during the year that business met those common needs and aspirations.

7A.4 How did members democratically control the society? For example, did the members elect a board at an annual general meeting; did all members collectively run the society.

7A.5 What did the society do with any surplus or profit? For instance, did you pay a dividend to members (and if so, on what basis); did money get reinvested in the business; put into reserves; used for some other purpose?

Section 7B - Community benefit societies

Community benefit societies must answer the following questions in relation to the financial year covered by this return.

7B.1 What is the business of the society? For example, did you provide social housing, run an amateur sports club etc.

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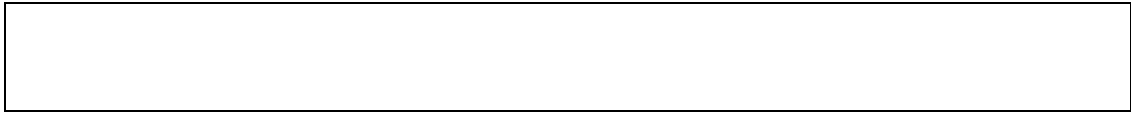
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Section 8– Declaration

The secretary of the society must complete this section.

Name	Nicholas Rouse
My signature below confirms that the information in this form is accurate to the best of my knowledge	
Signature 	
Position	Secretary
Date	4/3/20

Section 9 – Submitting this form

Please submit a signed, scanned version of this form along with your accounts and any auditor's report by email to: mutualsannrtns@fca.org.uk.

Or you can post the form to:

Mutual Societies
Financial Conduct Authority
12 Endeavour Square
London
E20 1JN

This form is available on the Mutuels Society Portal:

<https://societyportal.fca.org.uk>

MEADOW BLUE COMMUNITY ENERGY LIMITED

DIRECTORS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

MEADOW BLUE COMMUNITY ENERGY LIMITED

COMPANY INFORMATION

Directors

Christopher Charles Rowland
Julia Chantal Waterlow
David Barton (resigned 6 May 2020)
Nicholas Rouse
Roger Marshall
Jonathan Parkinson

Registered number R7099

Registered office

The Hub
2 Station Street
Lewes
East Sussex
BN7 2DA

Independent auditors

Griffin
165 High Street
Honiton
Devon
EX14 1LQ

MEADOW BLUE COMMUNITY ENERGY LIMITED

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MEADOW BLUE COMMUNITY ENERGY LIMITED

DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2020.

Directors' responsibilities statement

The directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' Report and the consolidated financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'. Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and the Group and of the profit or loss of the Group for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies for the Group's financial statements and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Group will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Company and the Group and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Company and the Group and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Directors

The directors who served during the year were:

Christopher Charles Rowland
Julia Chantal Waterlow
David Barton (resigned 6 May 2020)
Nicholas Rouse
Roger Marshall
Jonathan Parkinson

Disclosure of information to auditors

Each of the persons who are directors at the time when this Directors' Report is approved has confirmed that:

- so far as the director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company and the Group's auditors are unaware, and
- the director has taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a director in order to be aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company and the Group's auditors are aware of that information.

MEADOW BLUE COMMUNITY ENERGY LIMITED

DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

Auditors

The auditors, Griffin, will be proposed for reappointment in accordance with section 485 of the Companies Act 2006.

Small companies note

In preparing this report, the directors have taken advantage of the small companies exemptions provided by section 415A of the Companies Act 2006.

Results

The results are set out in the Accounts. They are comprised as follows:

	2020	2019
Profit before taxation and interest on Community Shares	78,417	2,439
Interest on Community Shares	(135,138)	(32,023)
Loss after interest on Community Shares	(56,741)	(29,584)

This report was approved by the board on 13th October 2020 and signed on its behalf.



Director CHRISTOPHER C. ROWLAND

N Rouse
NICHOLAS ROUSE — SECRETARY

Roger Marshall
ROGER MARSHALL — CHAIRMAN

MEADOW BLUE COMMUNITY ENERGY LIMITED

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF MEADOW BLUE COMMUNITY ENERGY LIMITED

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Meadow Blue Community Energy Limited (the 'parent Company') and its subsidiaries (the 'Group') for the year ended 30 June 2020, which comprise the Group Statement of Comprehensive Income, the Group and Company Balance Sheets and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Group's and of the parent Company's affairs as at 30 June 2020 and of the Group's loss for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the Group in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the United Kingdom, including the Financial Reporting Council's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the directors have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the Group's or the parent Company's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Other information

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report, other than the financial statements and our Auditors' Report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our

MEADOW BLUE COMMUNITY ENERGY LIMITED

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF MEADOW BLUE COMMUNITY ENERGY LIMITED (CONTINUED)

knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinion on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Directors' Report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the Group and the parent Company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Directors' Report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept by the parent Company, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the parent Company financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the directors were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemptions in preparing the Directors' Report and from the requirement to prepare a Group Strategic Report.

Responsibilities of directors

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement on page 1, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the Group's and the parent Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the Group or the parent Company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

MEADOW BLUE COMMUNITY ENERGY LIMITED

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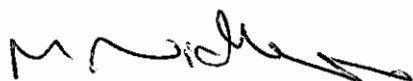
Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an Auditors' Report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our Auditors' Report.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the Company's members in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an Auditors' Report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Company and the Company's members for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



Misty Nickells FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)

for and on behalf of
Griffin

Statutory Auditors

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MEADOW BLUE COMMUNITY ENERGY LIMITED

**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020**

	Note	2020 £	2019 £
Turnover		727,295	711,450
Cost of sales		(88,843)	(99,304)
Gross profit		<u>638,452</u>	<u>612,146</u>
Administrative expenses		(331,268)	(361,411)
Operating profit		<u>307,184</u>	<u>250,735</u>
Interest receivable and similar income		1,886	1,817
Interest payable and expenses		(365,811)	(282,136)
Loss before taxation		<u>(56,741)</u>	<u>(29,584)</u>
Loss for the financial year		<u>(56,741)</u>	<u>(29,584)</u>
 Total comprehensive income for the year		 <u>(56,741)</u>	 <u>(29,584)</u>
(Loss) for the year attributable to:			
Owners of the parent Company		(56,741)	(29,584)
		<u>(56,741)</u>	<u>(29,584)</u>

The notes on pages 9 to 15 form part of these financial statements.

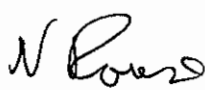
MEADOW BLUE COMMUNITY ENERGY LIMITED
REGISTERED NUMBER: R7099

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 30 JUNE 2020

	Note	2020 £	2019 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets		5,309,610	5,578,869
		<u>5,309,610</u>	<u>5,578,869</u>
Current assets			
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year	8	392,314	191,947
Cash at bank and in hand		313,837	416,422
		<u>706,151</u>	<u>608,369</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	(514,405)	(670,534)
Net current assets/(liabilities)		<u>191,746</u>	<u>(62,165)</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>5,501,356</u>	<u>5,516,704</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year		(4,385,031)	(4,343,638)
Provisions for liabilities			
Net assets excluding pension asset		<u>1,116,325</u>	<u>1,173,066</u>
Net assets		<u><u>1,116,325</u></u>	<u><u>1,173,066</u></u>
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital		1,343,086	1,343,086
Profit and loss account		(226,761)	(170,020)
Equity attributable to owners of the parent Company		<u>1,116,325</u>	<u>1,173,066</u>
		<u><u>1,116,325</u></u>	<u><u>1,173,066</u></u>

The Company's financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board and were signed on its behalf on


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MEADOW BLUE COMMUNITY ENERGY LIMITED
REGISTERED NUMBER: R7099

COMPANY BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 30 JUNE 2020

	Note	2020 £	2019 £
Fixed assets			
Investments	7	1,732,088	1,732,088
		<u>1,732,088</u>	<u>1,732,088</u>
Current assets			
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year	8	7,372	8,386
Cash at bank and in hand		7,602	13,195
		<u>14,974</u>	<u>21,581</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	(771,325)	(632,702)
Net current liabilities		<u>(756,351)</u>	<u>(611,121)</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>975,737</u>	<u>1,120,967</u>
Net assets excluding pension asset		<u>975,737</u>	<u>1,120,967</u>
Net assets		<u>975,737</u>	<u>1,120,967</u>
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital		1,343,086	1,343,086
Profit and loss account brought forward	(222,119)	(146,668)	
Loss for the year	(145,230)	(75,451)	
Profit and loss account carried forward		(367,349)	(222,119)
		<u>975,737</u>	<u>1,120,967</u>

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MEADOW BLUE COMMUNITY ENERGY LIMITED

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2020

1. General information

Meadow Blue Community Energy Ltd is a society registered under the Co-operative and Community Benefit Society Act 2014. The company registered number and registered office address can be found on the Company Information page.

2. Accounting policies

2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention unless otherwise specified within these accounting policies and in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland and the Companies Act 2006.

The preparation of financial statements in compliance with FRS 102 requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires Group management to exercise judgment in applying the Group's accounting policies.

The Company has taken advantage of the exemption allowed under section 408 of the Companies Act 2006 and has not presented its own Statement of Comprehensive Income in these financial statements.

Parent Company disclosure exemptions

In preparing the separate financial statements of the parent *Company*, advantage has been taken of the following disclosure exemptions available in FRS 102:

- No Statement of Cash Flows has been presented for the parent *Company*;

2.2 Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements present the results of the Company and its own subsidiaries ("the Group") as if they form a single entity. Intercompany transactions and balances between group companies are therefore eliminated in full.

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the results of business combinations using the purchase method. In the Balance Sheet, the acquiree's identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities are initially recognised at their fair values at the acquisition date. The results of acquired operations are included in the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income from the date on which control is obtained. They are deconsolidated from the date control ceases.

2.3 Revenue

Revenue is recognised to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Group and the revenue can be reliably measured. Revenue is measured as the fair value of the consideration received or receivable, excluding discounts, rebates, value added tax and other sales taxes.

Revenue is primarily composed of income from the export of electricity and feed in tariff renewable energy support associated with the generation of that electricity.

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2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.4 Interest income

Interest income is recognised in profit or loss using the effective interest method.

2.5 Finance costs

Finance costs are charged to profit or loss over the term of the debt using the effective interest method so that the amount charged is at a constant rate on the carrying amount. Issue costs are initially recognised as a reduction in the proceeds of the associated capital instrument.

2.6 Borrowing costs

All borrowing costs are recognised in profit or loss in the year in which they are incurred.

2.7 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets under the cost model are stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to bringing the asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management.

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives, using the straight-line method.

Depreciation is provided on the following basis:

Plant and machinery	-	10% and 4%
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The assets' residual values, useful lives and depreciation methods are reviewed, and adjusted prospectively if appropriate, or if there is an indication of a significant change since the last reporting date.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing the proceeds with the carrying amount and are recognised in profit or loss.

2.8 Valuation of investments

Investments in subsidiaries are measured at cost less accumulated impairment.

Investments in unlisted Group shares, whose market value can be reliably determined, are remeasured to market value at each balance sheet date. Gains and losses on remeasurement are recognised in the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income for the period. Where market value cannot be reliably determined, such investments are stated at historic cost less impairment.

2.9 Debtors

Short term debtors are measured at transaction price, less any impairment. Loans receivable are measured initially at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are measured subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment.

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2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.10 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash is represented by cash in hand and deposits with financial institutions repayable without penalty on notice of not more than 24 hours. Cash equivalents are highly liquid investments that mature in no more than three months from the date of acquisition and that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash with insignificant risk of change in value.

2.11 Creditors

Short term creditors are measured at the transaction price. Other financial liabilities, including bank loans, are measured initially at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are measured subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

2.12 Financial instruments

The Group only enters into basic financial instrument transactions that result in the recognition of financial assets and liabilities like trade and other debtors and creditors, loans from banks and other third parties, loans to related parties and investments in ordinary shares.

3. Auditors' remuneration

	2020 £	2019 £
Fees payable to the Group's auditor and its associates for the audit of the Group's annual financial statements	3,000	3,000

4. Employees

The Group and Company have no employees other than the directors, who did not receive any remuneration (2019 - £NIL).

5. Interest payable and similar expenses

	2020 £	2019 £
Bank interest payable	173,600	181,679
Other loan interest payable	57,053	68,434
Interest on Community Shares	135,158	32,023
	<u>365,811</u>	<u>282,136</u>

Interest paid on Community Shares in the period includes £67,580 which related to previous trading periods.

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6. Tangible fixed assets

Group

	Plant and machinery £
Cost or valuation	
At 1 July 2019	6,356,448
At 30 June 2020	<u>6,356,448</u>
Depreciation	
At 1 July 2019	777,579
Charge for the year on owned assets	269,259
At 30 June 2020	<u>1,046,838</u>
Net book value	
At 30 June 2020	<u>5,309,610</u>
At 30 June 2019	<u>5,578,869</u>

7. Fixed asset investments

Company

	Investments in subsidiary companies £
Cost or valuation	
At 1 July 2019	1,732,088
At 30 June 2020	<u>1,732,088</u>

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7. Fixed asset investments (continued)

Subsidiary undertaking (continued)

The aggregate of the share capital and reserves as at 30 June 2020 and the profit or loss for the year ended on that date for the subsidiary undertaking was as follows:

In the year Merston Renewable Energy C.I.C. reported a profit of £88,490 (2019 : £45,466) and had an aggregate share capital and reserves value of £1,872,678 (2019 : £1,784,187).

8. Debtors

	Group 2020 £	<i>Group 2019 £</i>	Company 2020 £	<i>Company 2019 £</i>
Trade debtors	101,684	140,521	-	-
Other debtors	-	-	-	6,259
Prepayments and accrued income	290,630	51,426	7,372	2,127
	<u>392,314</u>	<u>191,947</u>	<u>7,372</u>	<u>8,386</u>

9. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	Group 2020 £	<i>Group 2019 £</i>	Company 2020 £	<i>Company 2019 £</i>
Bank loans	166,182	159,441	-	-
Other loans	163,000	388,000	163,000	388,000
Trade creditors	26,489	6,924	9,583	4,038
Amounts owed to group undertakings	-	-	518,442	204,102
Other taxation and social security	8,644	4,220	1,334	-
Accruals and deferred income	150,090	111,949	78,966	36,562
	<u>514,405</u>	<u>670,534</u>	<u>771,325</u>	<u>632,702</u>

The bank borrowings are secured by fixed and floating charges over the group's assets

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10. Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year

	Group 2020 £	Group 2019 £
Bank loans	3,685,031	3,843,638
Other loans	700,000	500,000
	<u>4,385,031</u>	<u>4,343,638</u>

The bank borrowings are secured by fixed and floating charges over the group's assets

11. Loans

	Group 2020 £	Group 2019 £	Company 2020 £	Company 2019 £
Amounts falling due within one year				
Bank loans	166,182	159,441	-	-
Other loans	163,000	388,000	163,000	388,000
	<u>329,182</u>	<u>547,441</u>	<u>163,000</u>	<u>388,000</u>
Amounts falling due 1-2 years				
Bank loans	172,868	165,855	-	-
Other loans	-	500,000	-	-
	<u>172,868</u>	<u>665,855</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Amounts falling due 2-5 years				
Bank loans	648,407	574,946	-	-
	<u>648,407</u>	<u>574,946</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Amounts falling due after more than 5 years				
Bank loans	2,863,756	3,102,837	-	-
Other loans	700,000	-	-	-
	<u>3,563,756</u>	<u>3,102,837</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>4,714,213</u>	<u>4,891,079</u>	<u>163,000</u>	<u>388,000</u>

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12. Share capital

	2020 £	2019 £
Allotted, called up and fully paid		
1,343,086 (2019 - 1,343,086) Ordinary shares of £1.00 each	<u>1,343,086</u>	<u>1,343,086</u>