



Mutual Societies Annual Return Form (AR30)

For societies registered under the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014

Society name:

Bristol Community Energy Ltd

Important information you should read before completing this form

You must use this form if you are a:

- registered society (previously referred to as an 'industrial and provident society')
- co-operative society
- community benefit society

registered under the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014.

You must submit this form and the society's accounts within 7 months of the end of your financial year. Failure to submit is an offence for which the society may be prosecuted.

Please note:

- we have an information note that may assist you in completing this application
- any personal details you give on the form will be placed on the society's public file.
- it is important you give accurate and complete information and disclose all relevant information. If you do not, it may take us longer to process your annual return.

Please keep a copy of the form and supporting documents for future reference.

Terms in this form

'FCA', 'PRA', 'us' and 'we' refer to the Financial Conduct Authority or Prudential Regulation Authority.

'You' refers to the person signing the form on behalf of the society.

'The 2014 Act' is the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014



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Filling in the form

1 If you are using your computer to complete the form:

- use the TAB key to move from question to question and press SHIFT TAB to move back to the previous question; and
- print the completed form and arrange for it to be signed by all relevant individuals.

2 If you are filling in the form by hand:

- use black ink;
- write clearly; and
- arrange for it to be signed and dated by all relevant individuals.

3 If you make a mistake, cross it out and initial the changes; do not use correction fluid.

4 If you:

- leave a question blank;
- do not get the form signed; or
- do not attach the required supporting information

without telling us why, we will treat the application as incomplete. This will increase the time taken to assess your application.

5 If there is not enough space on the form, you may use separate sheets of paper. Clearly mark each separate sheet of paper with the relevant question number. Any separate sheets should be signed by the signatories to the form.

6 Email a scanned copy of the signed form and supporting documents to

mutualsannrts@fca.org.uk

or send it by post to:

Mutuals Team
Financial Conduct Authority
25 The North Colonnade
Canary Wharf
LONDON
E14 5HS

7. Please make sure you include:

- this form
- a set of printed accounts – signed by two members and the secretary (3 signatures in total)
- an audit report or accountant's report where required; and
- any supporting documents.

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Details of society

1.1 Details of the society

Register number	31313R
Registered office address	Happy City Canningford House, 38 Victoria St Bristol
Postcode	BS1 6BY

1.2 Year end date (dd/mm/yyyy)

See Note 1.2

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Committee of management

If you are a club you do not need to give a year of birth in questions 1.3-1.6.

The names of the members of the Committee at the date on which the return is signed should be entered below in BLOCK CAPITALS.

1.3 Details of Chairman

Name	Peter Thompson
Address	Bristol Energy Cooperative Happy City Canningford House, 38 Victoria St Bristol
Postcode	BS1 6BY
Year of birth	1959
Business occupation and other directorships	Technologist BEC SOLAR ONE LTD 09345286 SEVERN COMMUNITY ENERGY ONE CIC 9648502 SSB Puriton CIC 08885925

1.4 Details of Treasurer

Name	Andrew Lee
Address	Bristol Energy Cooperative Happy City Canningford House, 38 Victoria St Bristol
Postcode	BS1 6BY
Year of birth	1966
Business occupation and other directorships	Architectural technician BEC SOLAR ONE LTD 09345286

1.5 Details of Secretary

Name	Andy O'Brien
Address	Bristol Energy Cooperative Happy City Canningford House, 38 Victoria St Bristol
Postcode	BS1 6BY
Year of birth	1963
Business occupation and other directorships	Project manager BEC SOLAR ONE LTD 09345286 Severn Community Energy One CIC 09648502 Severn Community Energy Two CIC 09648443 SSB Puriton CIC 08885925

1.6 Details of Members of the Committee

Name	Address	Year of birth	Business occupation and other directorships
DAVID GARETH HOSKINS	Bristol Energy Cooperative Happy City Canningford House, 38 Victoria St Bristol BS1 6BY	1948	Property manager 10PTI Energy Ltd - CN 07187565 Exmoor Community Energy – CN 08480491 Exmoor Community Biomass – CN 08483759 Exmoor Community Hydro – CN 08483733 Exmoor Community Solar – CN 08483621 Crannog Innovations Ltd – CN 07127497 Isleworth Shipping Company Ltd - CN 04007216 St Paul's View Ltd - CN 05356352 BEC SOLAR ONE LTD 09345286 Severn Community Energy One CIC 09648502 SSB Puriton CIC 08885925
HENRIETTA RIDGEON	Bristol Energy Cooperative Happy City Canningford House, 38 Victoria St Bristol BS1 6BY	1973	Engineer

Chris Speller	Bristol Energy Cooperative Happy City Canningford House, 38 Victoria St Bristol BS1 6BY	1956	Project manager BEC SOLAR ONE LTD 09345286 Severn Community Energy One CIC 09648502 Severn Community Energy Two CIC 09648443 SSB Puriton CIC 08885925
David Bunker	Bristol Energy Cooperative Happy City Canningford House, 38 Victoria St Bristol BS1 6BY	1951	Orchard Community Energy Nottinghamshire Community Energy Chelwood Community Energy Windcluster 2000 Ltd
Deborah Douglas	Bristol Energy Cooperative Happy City Canningford House, 38 Victoria St Bristol BS1 6BY	1967	
Daniella Radice	Bristol Energy Cooperative Happy City Canningford House, 38 Victoria St Bristol BS1 6BY	1973	

Please use separate sheets of paper if you need more space, following the instructions provided in section 5 above.

Please indicate how many separate sheets of paper you have used

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Please continue, answering all questions.

1.7 Are any members of the society's committee disqualified as directors under the Company Director Disqualification Act 1986?

- ☒ No
☐ Yes

1.8 Does the society carry out any activity which is regulated under the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000? (e.g. accepting deposits in a form other than withdrawable shares; offering insurance products; undertaking residential mortgage

business). If 'yes' please state the society's Financial Services Register firm reference number

☒ No

☐ Yes

Financial Services Register firm reference number

1.9 Is the society a subsidiary of another society?

☒ No

☐ Yes

1.10 Does the society have one or more subsidiaries?

☐ No

☒ Yes

1.11 Is the society currently accepted by the HM Revenue and Customs as a charity for tax purposes?

☒ No

☐ Yes

Please confirm you have attached a copy of the letter from HM Revenue and Customs confirming charitable tax status:

☐ Yes

1.12 Is this society a charity registered with the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR)?

☒ No

☐ Yes ▶ provide your Scottish Charity number below

1.13 Is the society registered with one of the following (please tick)?

☐ Homes and Communities Agency

☐ The Welsh Ministers

☐ Scottish Housing Regulator

If so, please provide your register number

All societies must answer the following questions:

- if a **bona fide co-operative society** go to question 1.14
- if **existing for the benefit of the community** go to question 1.19

Bona fide co-operative society

1.14 How did members benefit from the business, industry or trade of the society during the year?

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1.15 Is membership of the society required to obtain the benefits offered by it?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

1.16 In what way did members participate in an ongoing basis in the society's primary business during the year?

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1.17 How did members democratically control the society?

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1.18 How did the society use any surplus/profit?

If the society distributed the surplus/profit to members please explain how this was done.

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Please use separate sheets of paper if you need more space (see section 5 above)

Please indicate how many separate sheets of paper you have used.

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Continue to 2.1

Community benefit society

1.19 Who are the community the society benefited?

People in the Bristol region.

1.20 How did the society benefit that community during the year?

Our 9MW solar portfolio (2 solar farms and PV on 11 community buildings) provided significant renewable energy. The community building users received subsidised green energy from the panels, thereby reducing both their electricity bills and their carbon footprint.

1.21 How did the society use any surplus/profit?

£25,000 of surplus profits will be distributed to local organisations through our Megawatt Community Energy Fund.

Please use separate sheets of paper if you need more space (see section 5 above).

Please indicate how many separate sheets of paper you have used.

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2 Statistics

Account details

2.1 You must enter the figures below

See notes for help on items E-T. Enter NIL where applicable

A	Members at beginning of year	536
B	Members ceased during year	7
C	Members admitted during year	67
D	Members at end of year	596
E	Turnover for year	1,057,407
F	Total of income and expenditure (receipts and payments added together)	2,422,411
G	Net surplus/(deficit) for year	(307,597)
H	Fixed assets	9,492,269
I	Current assets	900,699
J	Total assets (equal to amount in row O, below)	10,392,968
K	Current liabilities	949,318
L	Share capital	1,773,274
M	Long-term liabilities	8,440,166
N	Reserves	(769,790)
O	Total liabilities, share capital & reserves (K+L+M+N) (equal to amount in J above)	10,392,968
All societies (excluding clubs) must complete boxes P-T		
P	Investments in other registered societies	0
Q	Loans from members	0
R	Loans from Employees' Superannuation Schemes	0
S	Dividends on sales	0
T	Share interest	43,220

2.2 Names of subsidiaries as defined in sections 100 and 101 of the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014

SSB Puriton CIC
Severn Community Energy One CIC
Severn Community Energy Two CIC
BEC Solar One Ltd

2.3 Names of subsidiaries not dealt with in group accounts (if any) and reasons for exclusions (as approved by the FCA)

The society must have written authority from us to exclude a subsidiary from group accounts

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The audit

3.1 Type of audit used for the attached accounts.

If the society has used a full professional audit or an accountant's report then the report must be prepared by a registered auditor.

- ☒ Full professional audit ▶ Continue to section 4
- ☐ Accountant's report ▶ Complete questions 3.2 and 3.3
- ☐ Lay audit ▶ Complete questions 3.2 and 3.3
- ☐ Unaudited ▶ Complete questions 3.2 and 3.3

3.2 Do the society's registered rules allow the society not to undertake a full professional audit?

- ☐ No
- ☐ Yes

3.3 Has the membership passed at a general meeting a resolution allowing the society not to undertake a full professional audit for the year of account in question? (In accordance with section 84 of the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014)

- ☐ No
- ☐ Yes

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Accounts and signature

Accounts

- 4.1 Date on which the accounts and balance sheet will be/were laid before the AGM (dd/mm/yyyy)

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- 4.2 Has your society produced accounts to the minimum standard required?


☒ Yes ▶ you must confirm that you have attached the accounts and the audit/accountant's report bearing the original signatures of the auditor (if required by law), the secretary and the two committee members. ☒ Attached

☐ No ▶ you must produce accounts to the minimum standard required, see notes for details.

Signature – all societies to complete

- 4.3 The Secretary of the society must sign and date below

I certify that the information in this form is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Name	Andy O'Brien
Signature	
Phone number	07503 372 689
Email	info@bristolenergy.coop
Date	29/11/18

Bristol Community Energy Limited
Financial Statements
30 April 2018

ELLIOTT BUNKER LIMITED
Chartered Accountants & statutory auditor
61 Macrae Road
Ham Green
Bristol
BS20 0DD

Bristol Community Energy Limited

Financial Statements

Year ended 30 April 2018

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Bristol Community Energy Limited

Officers and Professional Advisers

The board of directors

Peter Thompson - Chairman
Andy O'Brien - Secretary
Andrew Lee - Director
Eric Booth - Director
Chris Speller - Director
Gareth Hoskins - Director
Daniella Radice - Director
Deborah Douglas - Director
David Bunker – Director
Henrietta Ridgeon (appointed 19 May 2018)

Company secretary

Andy O'Brien

Registered office

Overmoor Farm
Neston
Corsham
Wiltshire
SN13 9TZ

Auditor

Elliott Bunker Limited
Chartered Accountants & statutory auditor
61 Macrae Road
Ham Green
Bristol
BS20 0DD

Bristol Community Energy Limited

Directors' Report *(continued)*

Year ended 30 April 2018

The directors present their report and the financial statements of the group for the year ended 30 April 2018.

Principal activities

The cooperative's principal activities are;

- to enable meaningful cuts in carbon emissions, and reduce dependence on unsustainable sources of energy.
- to fund and implement renewable energy and energy efficient measures, in collaboration with people, communities and businesses.
- to work co-operatively with people and communities to make carbon reduction technologies available to all regardless of financial resources, and support mutual action to respond to the challenges of climate change.

Directors

The directors who served the society during the year were as follows:

Peter Thompson
Andy O'Brien
Andrew Lee
Jeff Kenna (resigned 10 May 2017)
Eric Booth
Chris Speller
Gareth Hoskins
Daniella Radice
Deborah Douglas
David Bunker

FINANCIAL AND BUSINESS REVIEW

In the year to April 2018 BEC's generation assets provided satisfactory returns, in particular the Puriton solar farm performed above expectations, while the Lawrence Weston solar farm performed slightly below expectations, due in part to shading issues that are being addressed. Our roof-mounted generation assets continued to perform as expected. BEC successfully executed share and bond issues to complete the financing of the solar farm projects, and started the process of identifying longer-term and lower-cost finance to replace the short-term bonds. BEC actively researched new ways for the business to continue to expand despite the substantial withdrawal of government subsidies, including acquiring wind assets, grid-attached battery storage, smart grids and hydro.

At the time of preparing these accounts, we are very pleased that our first battery storage project (a 100kW Tesla battery at a new housing development) should be live within weeks, and we are currently working up another larger battery scheme

In October 2018 we will also be submitting a planning application for a £2 million hydro scheme in central Bristol.

Alongside this we are continuing to seek roofs for additional solar projects. This has taken on a particular urgency given the government's current illogical proposals to close the Feed-in Tariff (FiT) scheme for renewables schemes like these in April 2019.

Bristol Community Energy Limited

Directors' Report *(continued)*

Year ended 30 April 2018

Wider collaborations

We have also continued to invest some resource this year in scaling up the low-carbon activity in the greater Bristol region. Almost two years ago we initiated a collaborative project aiming to “accelerate the transition to a low carbon society in the West of England”. This is bringing together renewables developers, community groups, the four West of England local authorities, financiers, lawyers, IT specialists, PR companies, and other interested parties.

The initiative has been well received, and working groups for project development, finance, and public engagement have been running for some time. Last April the initiative was formally established as “Zero West”, a Community Interest Company. A membership structure for the new organisation is currently being finalised, for organisations and individuals.

Zero West is currently collaborating with partners in Wales and South West England on larger regional projects such as marine energy. As part of this work it has developed a consortium of organisations in South West England and Wales which aims to develop offshore wind capacity in the region. This is very timely as the Crown Estate is currently consulting on making additional offshore wind farm sites available for development.

Community funding

We were very pleased with the number of applications made to the first round of BEC’s “Megawatt Community Energy Fund” grant programme. £50,000 had been allocated to this round, and we aim to hold a round each year provided our schemes generate sufficient income – please see the related resolution at this year’s AGM.

Projects supported in the first round included a community vegetable garden in Knowle; energy awareness feasts in Lockleaze; a children's bike exchange programme in St Paul's; energy advice to vulnerable people in South Gloucestershire; arts and crafts sessions in Hartcliffe which re-purpose waste materials; energy awareness days for older women from the South Asian community; solar panels for a Southville community centre; a low-carbon community housing project in Lockleaze; and household heat surveys and energy efficiency advice in Knowle West. The full list of supported projects is at:

www.bristolenergy.coop/megawattawards2017.html

Alongside the Megawatt fund BEC also provided the following community funding in the financial year:

- £2,500 to SolarAid for overseas projects.
- £8,400 to Ambition Lawrence Weston (our partner in the Lawrence Weston solar farm).
- £5,000 to a bursary fund to support research in the West of England into sustainable energy and climate change. BEC and the Centre for Sustainable Energy jointly funded the bursary, and two projects were selected – see www.bserf.org.uk/funded-projects

Bristol Community Energy Limited

Directors' Report *(continued)*

Year ended 30 April 2018

Director's responsibilities statement

The Directors are responsible for preparing the Director's report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Co-operative and Community Benefit Society legislation 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 United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under Co-operative and Community Benefit Society legislation the officers 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 society and the profit or loss of the society for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, the Director's are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies 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 society will continue in business.

The Directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the society's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the society and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the society and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

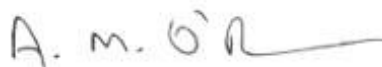
Auditor

Each of the persons who is an officer at the date of approval of this report confirms that:

- so far as they are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the society's auditor is unaware; and
- they have taken all steps that they ought to have taken as an officer to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the society's auditor is aware of that information.

The auditor is re-appointed in accordance with section 93 of the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014.

This report was approved by the management committee on 2nd October 2018 and signed on behalf of the board by:



Andy O'Brien

Registered office:
Overmoor Farm
Neston
Corsham
Wiltshire
SN13 9TZ

Bristol Community Energy Limited

Independent Auditor's Report to Bristol Community Energy Limited

Year ended 30 April 2018

Opinion

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of Bristol Community Energy Limited (the 'society') for the year ended 31 March 2018 which comprise the statement of comprehensive income, statement of financial position, statement of changes in equity 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 FRS 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

This report is made solely to the society, in accordance with section 87 of the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the society those matters we are required to state to it in an auditor's 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 society, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the society's affairs as at 31 March 2018 and of its income and expenditure for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice;
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014.

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 respective responsibilities of management committee and auditor section of our report. We are independent of the society in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC'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 management committee's use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the management committee has not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the society'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.

Bristol Community Energy Limited

Independent Auditor's Report to Bristol Community Energy Limited *(continued)*

Year ended 30 April 2018

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The management committee is responsible for the other information. 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 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.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the society and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the management committee report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the society has not kept proper books of account or has not maintained a satisfactory system of control over its transactions; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the society's books of account; or
- we fail to obtain all the information and explanations which, to the best of our knowledge and belief, are necessary for the purposes of our audit.

Respective responsibilities of the management committee and independent accountant

As explained more fully in the management committee's responsibilities statement, the management committee is 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 management committee determines 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 management committee is responsible for assessing the society'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 management committee either intend to liquidate the society or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Respective responsibilities of management committee and auditor

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 auditor's 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.

Bristol Community Energy Limited

Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Bristol Community Energy Limited (continued)

Year ended 30 April 2018

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (UK), we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the management committee.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the management committee's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the society's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the society to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Nicolas Michael FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of
Elliott Bunker Limited
Chartered accountant & statutory auditor

61 Macrae Road
Ham Green
Bristol
BS20 0DD

28th September 2018

Bristol Community Energy Limited

Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income

Year ended 30 April 2018

	Note	2018 £	2017 £
Revenue		1,056,470	905,227
Cost of sales		<u>(443,559)</u>	<u>(380,846)</u>
Gross profit		612,911	524,381
Administrative expenses		<u>(372,892)</u>	<u>(264,380)</u>
Operating profit	4	240,019	260,001
Other interest receivable and similar income	7	937	1,158
Interest payable and similar expenses	8	<u>(548,553)</u>	<u>(504,593)</u>
Loss before taxation		(307,597)	(243,434)
Tax on loss		<u>(15,910)</u>	—
Loss for the financial year and total comprehensive income		<u>(323,507)</u>	<u>(243,434)</u>

All the activities of the group are from continuing operations.

The notes on pages 11 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

Bristol Community Energy Limited

Consolidated Statement of Financial Position

30 April 2018

	Note	2018 £	2017 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	9	7,759,660	7,980,989
Investments	10	1,732,609	1,732,609
		<u>9,492,269</u>	<u>9,713,598</u>
Current assets			
Stock - Development costs		24,119	—
Debtors	11	226,827	233,529
Cash at bank and in hand		649,753	1,075,384
		<u>900,699</u>	<u>1,308,913</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	<u>(949,318)</u>	<u>(1,109,284)</u>
Net current (liabilities)/assets		<u>(48,619)</u>	<u>199,629</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>9,443,650</u>	<u>9,913,227</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	13	<u>(8,440,166)</u>	<u>(9,210,936)</u>
Net assets		<u><u>1,003,484</u></u>	<u><u>702,291</u></u>
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital		1,773,274	1,148,574
Profit and loss account		(769,790)	(446,283)
Members funds		<u><u>1,003,484</u></u>	<u><u>702,291</u></u>

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and in accordance with FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'.

These financial statements were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on 2nd October 2018, and are signed on behalf of the board by:



Peter Thompson
Chairman



Andy O'Brien
Secretary



David Bunker
Director

Company registration number: IP031313

The notes on pages 11 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

Bristol Community Energy Limited

Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity

Year ended 30 April 2018

	Called up share capital £	Profit and loss account £	Total £
At 1 May 2016	933,977	(202,849)	731,128
Loss for the year		(243,434)	(243,434)
Total comprehensive income for the year	–	(243,434)	(243,434)
Issue of shares	214,597	–	214,597
Total investments by and distributions to owners	214,597	–	214,597
At 30 April 2017	1,148,574	(446,283)	702,291
Loss for the year		(323,507)	(323,507)
Total comprehensive income for the year	–	(323,507)	(323,507)
Issue of shares	624,700	–	624,700
Total investments by and distributions to owners	624,700	–	624,700
At 30 April 2018	<u>1,773,274</u>	<u>(769,790)</u>	<u>1,003,484</u>

The notes on pages 11 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

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Notes to the Financial Statements

Year ended 30 April 2018

1. General information

The society is a registered society, registered in England and Wales. The address of the registered office is Overmoor Farm, Neston, Corsham, SN13 9TZ, Wiltshire.

2. Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with Section 1A of FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland'.

3. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities and investment properties measured at fair value through profit or loss.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

Consolidation

The financial statements consolidate the financial statements of Bristol Community Energy Limited and all of its subsidiary undertakings.

The results of subsidiaries acquired or disposed of during the year are included from or to the date that control passes.

Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Revenue recognition

Turnover is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable for goods supplied and services rendered, net of discounts and Value Added Tax.

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised when the significant risks and rewards of ownership have transferred to the buyer (usually on despatch of the goods); the amount of revenue can be measured reliably; it is probable that the associated economic benefits will flow to the entity; and the costs incurred or to be incurred in respect of the transactions can be measured reliably.

Income tax

The taxation expense represents the aggregate amount of current and deferred tax recognised in the reporting period. Tax is recognised in profit or loss, except to the extent that it relates to items recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity. In this case, tax is recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity, respectively.

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3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Income tax *(continued)*

Current tax is recognised on taxable profit for the current and past periods. Current tax is measured at the amounts of tax expected to pay or recover using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date.

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences at the reporting date. Unrelieved tax losses and other deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that they will be recovered against the reversal of deferred tax liabilities or other future taxable profits. Deferred tax is measured using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date that are expected to apply to the reversal of the timing difference.

Operating leases

Lease payments are recognised as an expense over the lease term on a straight-line basis. The aggregate benefit of lease incentives is recognised as a reduction to expense over the lease term, on a straight-line basis.

Tangible assets

Tangible assets are initially recorded at cost, and subsequently stated at cost less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Any tangible assets carried at revalued amounts are recorded at the fair value at the date of revaluation less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

An increase in the carrying amount of an asset as a result of a revaluation, is recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity, except to the extent it reverses a revaluation decrease of the same asset previously recognised in profit or loss. A decrease in the carrying amount of an asset as a result of revaluation, is recognised in other comprehensive income to the extent of any previously recognised revaluation increase accumulated in equity in respect of that asset. Where a revaluation decrease exceeds the accumulated revaluation gains accumulated in equity in respect of that asset, the excess shall be recognised in profit or loss.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost or valuation of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Plant and machinery	- 4% straight line
Tools and equipment	- 33% straight line

Investments

Fixed asset investments are initially recorded at cost, and subsequently stated at cost less any accumulated impairment losses.

Listed investments are measured at fair value with changes in fair value being recognised in profit or loss.

Investments in associates

Investments in associates are accounted for using the equity method of accounting, whereby the investment is initially recognised at the transaction price and subsequently adjusted to reflect the group's share of the profit or loss, other comprehensive income and equity of the associate.

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3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Investments in joint ventures

Investments in joint ventures are accounted for using the equity method of accounting, whereby the investment is initially recognised at the transaction price and subsequently adjusted to reflect the group's share of the profit or loss, other comprehensive income and equity of the joint venture.

Impairment of fixed assets

A review for indicators of impairment is carried out at each reporting date, with the recoverable amount being estimated where such indicators exist. Where the carrying value exceeds the recoverable amount, the asset is impaired accordingly. Prior impairments are also reviewed for possible reversal at each reporting date.

For the purposes of impairment testing, when it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, an estimate is made of the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. The cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable group of assets that includes the asset and generates cash inflows that largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets.

For impairment testing of goodwill, the goodwill acquired in a business combination is, from the acquisition date, allocated to each of the cash-generating units that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination, irrespective of whether other assets or liabilities of the society are assigned to those units.

Stocks

Development costs on new projects are carried forward to the extent that they are deemed recoverable.

Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the entity has an obligation at the reporting date as a result of a past event, it is probable that the entity will be required to transfer economic benefits in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be estimated reliably. Provisions are recognised as a liability in the statement of financial position and the amount of the provision as an expense.

Provisions are initially measured at the best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation at the reporting date and subsequently reviewed at each reporting date and adjusted to reflect the current best estimate of the amount that would be required to settle the obligation. Any adjustments to the amounts previously recognised are recognised in profit or loss unless the provision was originally recognised as part of the cost of an asset. When a provision is measured at the present value of the amount expected to be required to settle the obligation, the unwinding of the discount is recognised as a finance cost in profit or loss in the period it arises.

Financial instruments

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at the transaction price, unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where it is recognised at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

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3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Defined contribution plans

Contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised as an expense in the period in which the related service is provided. Prepaid contributions are recognised as an asset to the extent that the prepayment will lead to a reduction in future payments or a cash refund.

When contributions are not expected to be settled wholly within 12 months of the end of the reporting date in which the employees render the related service, the liability is measured on a discounted present value basis. The unwinding of the discount is recognised as a finance cost in profit or loss in the period in which it arises.

Going Concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. The Statement of Financial Position currently shows net current liabilities. This is due to the maturity of certain bonds falling within one year. The reality is that the majority of such bonds are likely to be rolled on to the following year. In addition, the group is in the process of refinancing its operations and the directors, having carefully considered future cash flows, are confident that the group will continue to meet its financial obligations. The directors conclude that it is appropriate to prepare these financial statements under the going concern principle.

4. Operating profit

Operating profit or loss is stated after charging:

	2018 £	2017 £
Depreciation of tangible assets	335,091	299,790
Operating lease rentals	31,945	31,712

5. Auditor's remuneration

	2018 £	2017 £
Fees payable for the audit of the financial statements	9,000	8,500

6. Particulars of employees

The average number of persons employed by the society during the year amounted to 3 (2017: 3).

7. Other interest receivable and similar income

	2018 £	2017 £
Interest on cash and cash equivalents	13	23
Interest on bank deposits	924	1,135
	937	1,158

8. Interest payable and similar expenses

	2018 £	2017 £
Interest on banks loans and overdrafts	314,587	307,724
Interest payable - other loans	7,814	—
Interest on bonds	182,932	171,287
Interest payable to shareholders	43,220	25,582
	548,553	504,593

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9. Tangible assets

	Plant and machinery £	Assets under construction £	Equipment £	Total £
Cost				
At 1 May 2017	8,362,998	–	1,443	8,364,441
Additions	–	113,763	–	113,763
At 30 April 2018	8,362,998	113,763	1,443	8,478,204
Depreciation				
At 1 May 2017	382,848	–	605	383,453
Charge for the year	334,757	–	334	335,091
At 30 April 2018	717,605	–	939	718,544
Carrying amount				
At 30 April 2018	7,645,393	113,763	504	7,759,660
At 30 April 2017	7,980,150	–	838	7,980,988

10. Investments

	Shares in group undertakings £
Goodwill on consolidation	
At 1 May 2017 and 30 April 2018	1,732,609
Impairment	
At 1 May 2017 and 30 April 2018	–
Carrying amount	
At 1 May 2017 and 30 April 2018	1,732,609
At 30 April 2017	1,732,609

Subsidiaries, associates and other investments

Details of the investments in which the group has an interest of 20% or more are as follows:

Subsidiary undertakings	Class of share	Percentage of shares held
SSB Puriton C.I.C	Ordinary	100
Severn Community Energy One C.I.C	Ordinary	100
Severn Community Energy Two C.I.C (dormant)	Ordinary	100
BEC Solar One Limited (dormant)	Ordinary	100

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11. Debtors

	2018 £	2017 £
Trade debtors	5,216	11,886
Other debtors	221,611	221,643
	<u>226,827</u>	<u>233,529</u>

12. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2018 £	2017 £
Trade creditors	30,730	69,555
Corporation tax	7	7
Social security and other taxes	239	17,350
Other loans and maturing bonds	676,070	—
Other creditors	242,272	1,022,372
	<u>949,318</u>	<u>1,109,284</u>

13. Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	2018 £	2017 £
Bank loans and overdrafts	5,973,062	5,783,336
Other creditors- Bonds	2,467,104	3,427,600
	<u>8,440,166</u>	<u>9,210,936</u>

Loans falling due within and after more than one year are secured on the Society's assets.

14. Deferred tax

The deferred tax account consists of the tax effect of timing differences in respect of:

	2018 £	2017 £
Accelerated capital allowances	174,000	137,929
Unused tax losses	(174,000)	(153,839)
	<u>—</u>	<u>(15,910)</u>

15. Employee benefits

Defined contribution plans

The amount recognised in profit or loss as an expense in relation to defined contribution plans was £3,320 (2017: £1,035).

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Year ended 30 April 2018

16. Financial instruments at fair value

Financial instruments measured at amortised cost

Unsecured Solar Bonds £3,120,104 (2017 : £2,636,600)

17. Share capital

During the year, 624,700 £1 shares were issued.

The purpose of the offer was to raise funds to:

- Consolidate finances by increasing the number of shareholders in the business
- Continue building more community energy projects to decarbonise energy use and further the Society's aim of accelerating the transition to a more sustainable society.

There are two classes of shares with a nominal value of £1 per share. All members of the society have one vote regardless of how many shares are held. Class A shares may be withdrawn subject to Board approval and availability of funds. Class B shares were created specially and issued to a specific investor to assist with the financing of one of the subsidiaries, Severn Community Energy Once CIC.

As a Community Benefit Society no dividends will be distributed but the Board of Directors will be recommending the payment of interest to shareholders with effect from the point of issue of Share certificates at a rate of interest of 5% per annum.

18. Commitments under operating leases

The total future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases are as follows:

	2018	2017
	£	£
Later than 5 years	<u>1,350,100</u>	<u>1,379,400</u>

19. Contingencies

The society has given guarantees in respect of the borrowings from banks and other institutional lenders of its subsidiaries, Severn Community Energy One C.I.C. and SSB Puriton C.I.C as at April 30, 2018.

These guarantees are secured by charges dated December 11, 2015 and April 15, 2016 on the present and future assets of the society.