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FORM AR27

Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992

ANNUAL RETURN FOR AN EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION

Name of Employers' Association:

Year ended:

List No:

Head or Main Office:

Website address (if available)

Has the address changed during the year to which the return relates? Yes No (Tick as appropriate)

General Secretary:

Contact name for queries regarding the completion of this return:

Telephone Number:

e-mail:

PLEASE FOLLOW THE GUIDANCE NOTES IN THE COMPLETION OF THIS RETURN.
Any difficulties or problems in the completion of this return should be directed to the Certification Office as below or by telephone to: 020 7210 3734

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For Employers' Associations based in England and Wales:
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Melrose House, 69a George Street, Edinburgh EH2 2JG



The Federation of Dredging Contractors

Officers in Post at 31 August 2017

Chairman: Mr P. Datson

Secretary: Mr N.J. Armstrong

RETURN OF MEMBERS

(see note 9)

NUMBER OF MEMBERS AT THE END OF THE YEAR				
Great Britain	Northern Ireland	Irish Republic	Elsewhere Abroad (including Channel Islands)	TOTALS
7	0	0	0	7

OFFICERS IN POST

(see note 10)

Please attach as an annexe to this form a complete list of all officers in post at the end of the year to which this form relates, with the title of each persons office.

CHANGE OF OFFICERS

Please complete the following to record any changes of officers during the twelve months covered by this return.

Title of Office	Name of Officer ceasing to hold office	Name of Officer Appointed	Date of Change

REVENUE ACCOUNT/GENERAL FUND

(see notes 11 to 16)

Previous Year		£	£
	INCOME		
	From Members Subscriptions, levies, etc		
	Investment income Interest and dividends (gross) Bank interest (gross) Other (specify)		0
	Other income Rents received Insurance commission Consultancy fees Publications/Seminars Miscellaneous receipts (specify)		0
	TOTAL INCOME		0
	EXPENDITURE		
	Administrative expenses		
	Remuneration and expenses of staff Occupancy costs Printing, Stationery, Post Telephones Legal and Professional fees Miscellaneous (specify)		0
	Other charges Bank charges Depreciation Sums written off Affiliation fees Donations Conference and meeting fees Expenses Miscellaneous (specify)		0
	Taxation		
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE		0
	Surplus/Deficit for year		0
	Amount of fund at beginning of year		41
	Amount of fund at end of year		41

ACCOUNTS OTHER THAN THE REVENUE ACCOUNT/GENERAL FUND

(see notes 17 to 18)

ACCOUNT 2		Fund Account	
Name of account:		£	£
Income	From members Investment income Other income (specify)		
	Total Income		
Expenditure	Administrative expenses Other expenditure (specify)		
	Total Expenditure		
	Surplus (Deficit) for the year		
	Amount of fund at beginning of year		
	Amount of fund at the end of year (as Balance Sheet)		

ACCOUNT 3		Fund Account	
Name of account:		£	£
Income	From members Investment income Other income (specify)		
	Total Income		
Expenditure	Administrative expenses Other expenditure (specify)		
	Total Expenditure		
	Surplus (Deficit) for the year		
	Amount of fund at beginning of year		
	Amount of fund at the end of year (as Balance Sheet)		

ACCOUNTS OTHER THAN THE REVENUE ACCOUNT/GENERAL FUND

(see notes 17 to 18)

ACCOUNT 4		Fund Account	
Name of account:		£	£
Income	From members Investment income Other income (specify)		
		Total Income	
Expenditure	Administrative expenses Other expenditure (specify)		
		Total Expenditure	
		Surplus (Deficit) for the year	
		Amount of fund at beginning of year	
		Amount of fund at the end of year (as Balance Sheet)	

ACCOUNT 5		Fund Account	
Name of account:		£	£
Income	From members Investment income Other income (specify)		
		Total Income	
Expenditure	Administrative expenses Other expenditure (specify)		
		Total Expenditure	
		Surplus (Deficit) for the year	
		Amount of fund at beginning of year	
		Amount of fund at the end of year (as Balance Sheet)	

ACCOUNTS OTHER THAN THE REVENUE ACCOUNT/GENERAL FUND

(see notes 17 to 18)

ACCOUNT 6		Fund Account	
Name of account:		£	£
Income	From members Investment income Other income (specify)		
	Total Income		
Expenditure	Administrative expenses Other expenditure (specify)		
	Total Expenditure		
	Surplus (Deficit) for the year		
	Amount of fund at beginning of year		
	Amount of fund at the end of year (as Balance Sheet)		

ACCOUNT 7		Fund Account	
Name of account:		£	£
Income	From members Investment income Other income (specify)		
	Total Income		
Expenditure	Administrative expenses Other expenditure (specify)		
	Total Expenditure		
	Surplus (Deficit) for the year		
	Amount of fund at beginning of year		
	Amount of fund at the end of year (as Balance Sheet)		

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 AUGUST 2017

(see notes 19 and 20)

Previous Year		£	£
	Fixed Assets (as at page 11)		
	Investments (as per analysis on page 13)		
	Quoted (Market value £)		
	Unquoted		
	Total Investments		
	Other Assets		
	Sundry debtors		
	Cash at bank and in hand		41
	Stocks of goods		
	Others (specify)		
	Total of other		
	assets		
		TOTAL ASSETS	41
		Fund (Account)	
		Fund (Account)	
		Fund (Account)	
		Revaluation Reserve	
	Liabilities		
	Loans		
	Bank overdraft		
	Tax payable		
	Sundry creditors		
	Accrued expenses		
	Provisions		
	Other liabilities		
		TOTAL LIABILITIES	0
		TOTAL ASSETS	41

FIXED ASSETS ACCOUNT

(see note 21)

	Land & Buildings	Fixtures & Fittings	Motor Vehicles & Equipment	Total
	£	£	£	£
COST OR VALUATION				
At start of period				
Additions during period				
Less: Disposals during period				
Less: DEPRECIATION:				
Total to end of period				
BOOK AMOUNT at end of period				
Freehold				
Leasehold (50 or more years unexpired)				
Leasehold (less than 50 years unexpired)				
AS BALANCE SHEET				

ANALYSIS OF INVESTMENTS

(see note 22)

		Other Funds £
QUOTED	British Government & British Government Guaranteed Securities	
	British Municipal and County Securities	
	Other quoted securities (to be specified)	
	TOTAL QUOTED (as Balance Sheet)	
	*Market Value of Quoted Investments	
UNQUOTED	British Government Securities	
	British Municipal and County Securities	
	Mortgages	
	Other unquoted securities (to be specified)	
	TOTAL QUOTED (as Balance Sheet)	
	*Market Value of Unquoted Investments	

* Market value of investments to be stated where these are different from the figures quoted in the balance sheet

ANALYSIS OF INVESTMENT INCOME (CONTROLLING INTERESTS)

(see notes 23 to 25)

Does the association, or any constituent part of the association, have a controlling interest in any limited company?		YES	NO
If YES name the relevant companies:			
COMPANY NAME	COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER (if not registered in England & Wales, state where registered)		
INCORPORATED EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATIONS			
Are the shares which are controlled by the association registered in the association's name		YES	NO
If NO, please state the names of the persons in whom the shares controlled by the association are registered.			
COMPANY NAME	NAMES OF SHAREHOLDERS		
UNINCORPORATED EMPLOYERS ASSOCIATIONS			
Are the shares which are controlled by the association registered in the names of the association's trustees?		YES	NO
If NO, state the names of the persons in whom the shares controlled by the association are registered.			
COMPANY NAME	NAMES OF SHAREHOLDERS		

SUMMARY SHEET

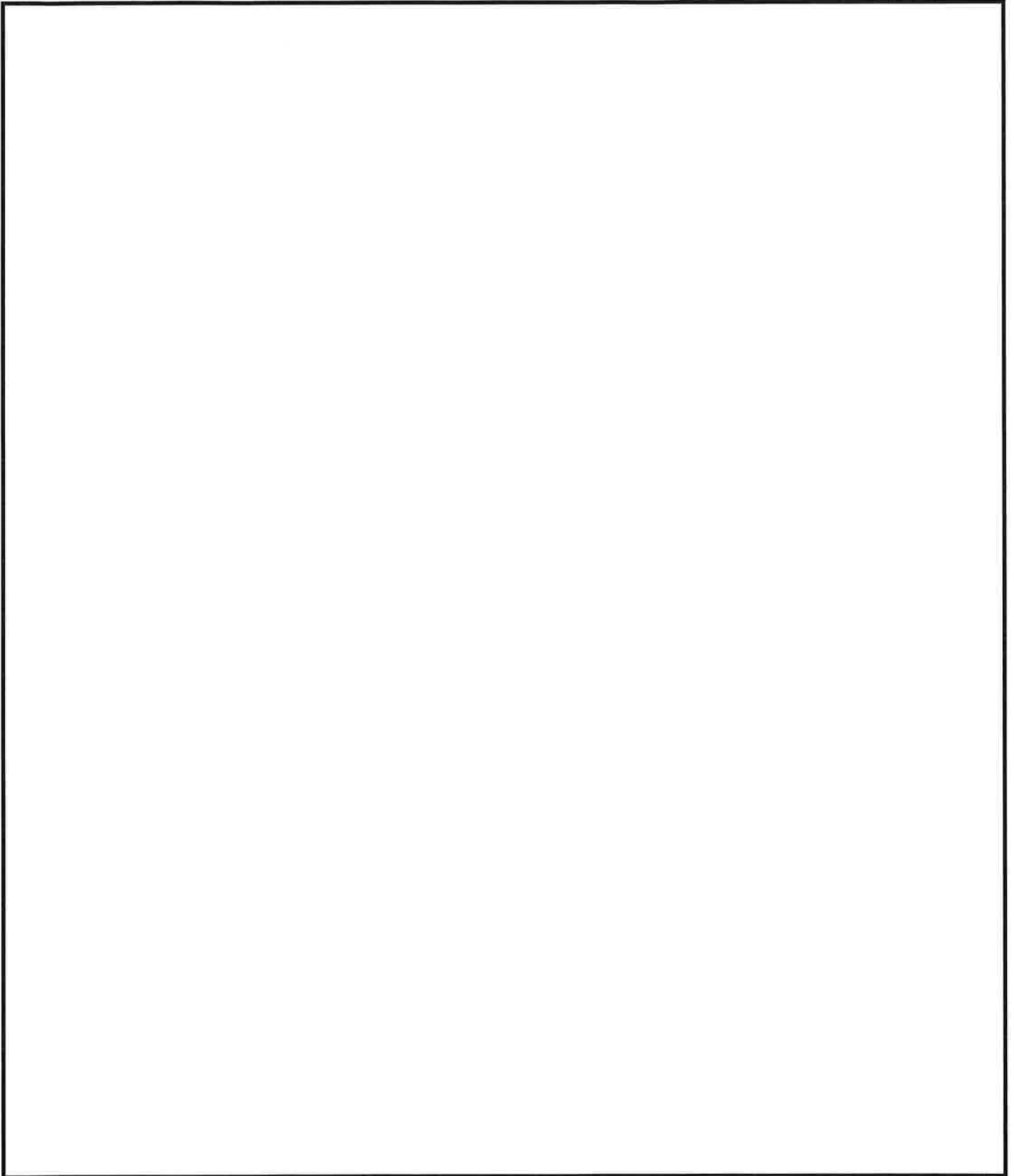
(see notes 26 to 35)

	All funds except Political Funds £	Political Funds £	Total Funds £
INCOME			
From Members			
From Investments			
Other Income (including increases by revaluation of assets)			
Total Income			
EXPENDITURE (including decreases by revaluation of assets)			
Total Expenditure			
Funds at beginning of year (including reserves)	41		41
Funds at end of year (including reserves)	41		41
ASSETS			
Fixed Assets			
Investment Assets			
Other Assets			41
		Total Assets	41
LIABILITIES			
		Total Liabilities	
NET ASSETS (Total Assets less Total Liabilities)			41

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

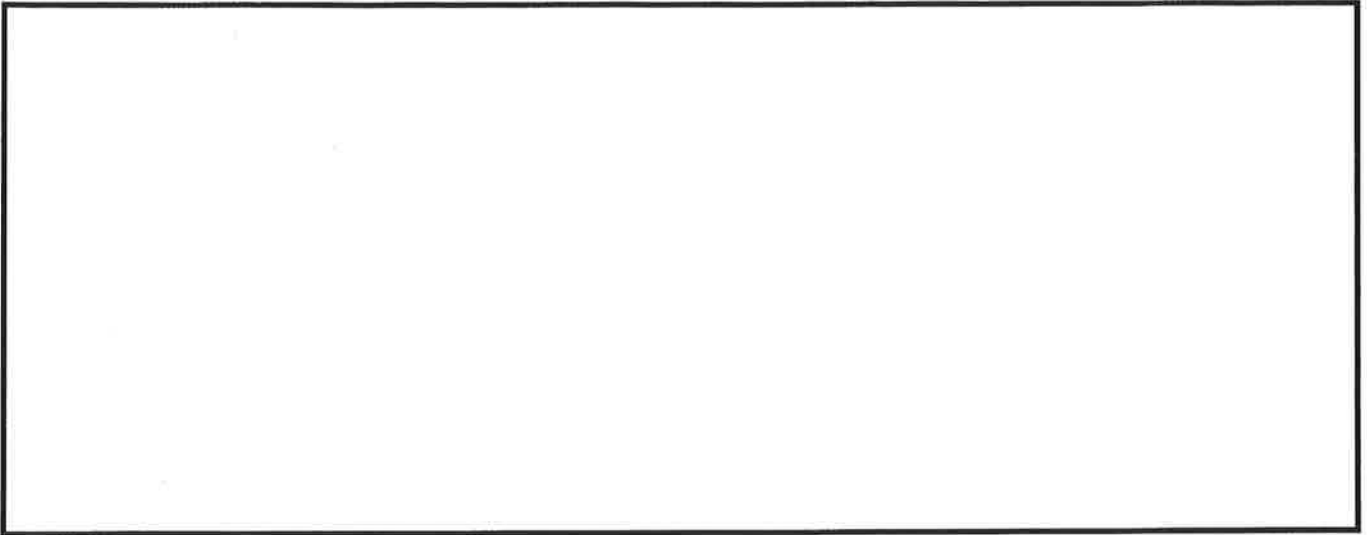
(see note 36)

All notes to the accounts must be entered on or attached to this part of the return.

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ACCOUNTING POLICIES

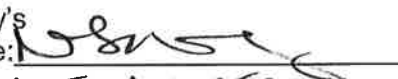
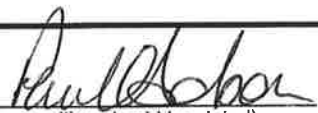
(see notes 37 and 38)



SIGNATURES TO THE ANNUAL RETURN

(see notes 39 and 40)

including the accounts and balance sheet contained in the return.

Secretary's Signature: <u></u> Name: <u>W.S. ARMITAGE</u> Date: <u>7 March 2018</u>	Chairman's Signature: <u></u> (or other official whose position should be stated) Name: <u>P.G. DATSON</u> Date: <u>7 March 2018</u>
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CHECK LIST

(see note 41)

(please tick as appropriate)

IS THE RETURN OF OFFICERS ATTACHED? (see Page 3)	YES	✓	NO	
HAS THE RETURN OF CHANGE OF OFFICERS BEEN COMPLETED? (see Page 3)	YES	✓	NO	
HAS THE RETURN BEEN SIGNED? (see Note 38)	YES	✓	NO	
HAS THE AUDITOR'S REPORT BEEN COMPLETED (see Note 39)	YES	✓	NO	
IS A RULE BOOK ENCLOSED? (see Note 40)	YES	✓	NO	
HAS THE SUMMARY SHEET BEEN COMPLETED (see Notes 6 and 25 to 34)	YES	✓	NO	

AUDITOR'S REPORT

(see notes 42 to 47)

made in accordance with section 36 of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.

1. In the opinion of the auditors or auditor do the accounts they have audited and which are contained in this return give a true and fair view of the matters to which they relate?
(See section 36(1) and (2) of the 1992 Act and notes 43 and 44)

YES/NO

If "No" please explain below.

2. Have the auditors or auditor carried out such investigations in the preparation of their audit report as will enable them to form an opinion as to:
- (a) whether the trade union has kept proper accounting records in accordance with section 28 of the 1992 Act;
 - (b) whether it has maintained a satisfactory system of control over its transactions in accordance with the requirements of that section; and
 - (c) whether the accounts to which the report relates agree with the accounting records?
- (See section 36(3) of the 1992 Act, set out in note 43)

YES/NO

If "No" please explain below.

3. Are the auditors or auditor of the opinion that the union has complied with section 28 of the 1992 Act and has:
- (a) kept proper accounting records with respect to its transactions and its assets and liabilities; and
 - (b) established and maintained a satisfactory system of control of its accounting records, its cash holding and all its receipts and remittances.
- (See section 36(4) of the 1992 Act set out in note 43)

YES/NO

If "No" please explain below.

4. Please set out a copy of the report made by the auditors or auditor to the union on the accounts to which this AR27 relates. The report is to set out the basis upon which the audit has been conducted and/or such other statement as the auditor considers appropriate. Such a statement may be provided as a separate document.
(See note 45)

AUDITOR'S REPORT (continued)

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Federation of Dredging Contractors (the 'federation') for the year ended 31 August 2017 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet and notes included thereon. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and FRS 105 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the Micro-entities Regime" (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice applicable to Micro-entities).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- have been properly prepared, in all material regards, in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice applicable to micro-entities;
- have been prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to micro-entities; and
- therefore give the presumed true and fair view described in Section 396 (2A) of the Companies Act 2006 of the state of the federation's affairs as at 31 August 2017 and of its profit for the year then ended.

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 Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the federation 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 officers' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the officers have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the federation'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.

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In forming our opinion on the financial statements, as required by the Companies Act 2006, we have disregarded any provision of an accounting standard which would require the financial statements to contain:

- information additional to the micro-entity minimum accounting terms; and
- further information in relation to the micro-entity minimum accounting terms.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

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

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

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the officers were not entitled to take advantage of the small companies' exemption from the requirement to prepare a Strategic Report or in preparing a Officers' Report, tailored as applicable.

Responsibilities of officers

The officers 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 officers 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 officers are responsible for assessing the federation'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 officers either intend to liquidate the federation or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's 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 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.


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

This report is made solely to the federation's members, as a body, 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 federation's members those matters we are required to state to them 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 federation and the federation's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

A J Bennewith FCA, FCPA, FFA, DChA, FRSA
(Senior Statutory Auditor)
For and on behalf of A J Bennewith & Co

Chartered Accountants
Statutory Auditors

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Signature(s) of auditor or auditors:		
Name(s):	A.J. Bennewith	
Profession(s) or Calling(s):	Chartered Accountant	
Address(es):	3 Wey Court Mary Road Guildford Surrey, GU1 4QU	
Date:	21 February 2018	
Contact name and telephone number:	TONY BENNEWITH. 01483 539777	

N.B. When notes to the accounts are referred to in the auditor's report a copy of those notes must accompany this return.

EVERY EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION IS REQUIRED BY LAW TO COMPLETE THIS RETURN. THE REFUSAL OR WILFUL NEGLECT TO PERFORM THIS DUTY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENCE.

THERE IS NO LEGAL REQUIREMENT FOR THIS RETURN TO BE "APPROVED" BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE ASSOCIATION BEFORE SUBMISSION TO THE CERTIFICATION OFFICE

GUIDANCE ON COMPLETION

GENERAL

1. Unless the Employers' Association has been authorised to make its annual return to another date, this return must be made to 31 December and sent to the Certification Officer as soon as possible, **and at any event before 1 June**.
2. The accounts must, in accordance with the Act, give a true and fair view of the matters to which they relate.
3. The accounts and balance sheet in the annual return of an association working through branches (i.e. not a federation of autonomous bodies) should include the transactions, assets and liabilities of all the branches.
4. Any negative values should be clearly indicated by placing the entry in brackets.
5. Where the space in any account of analysis is insufficient a separate sheet of paper should be attached to the appropriate page to provide the additional space.
6. The summary sheet on page 11 **must** be completed.

List Number 126E

FEDERATION OF DREDGING CONTRACTORS
ANNUAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2017

FEDERATION OF DREDGING CONTRACTORS

COMPANY INFORMATION

Chairman	Mr P. Datson
Secretary	Mr N.J. Armstrong
List number	126E
Registered office	4th Floor Imperial House 15 Kingsway London WC2B 6UN
Auditors	A.J. Bennewith & Co. 3 Wey Court Mary Road Guildford Surrey GU1 4QU

FEDERATION OF DREDGING CONTRACTORS

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FEDERATION OF DREDGING CONTRACTORS

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF FEDERATION OF DREDGING CONTRACTORS

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Federation of Dredging Contractors (the 'federation') for the year ended 31 August 2017 which comprise the Income and Expenditure Account, the Balance Sheet and notes included thereon. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and *FRS 105 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the Micro-entities Regime"* (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice applicable to Micro-entities).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- have been properly prepared, in all material regards, in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice applicable to micro-entities;
- have been prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to micro-entities; and
- therefore give the presumed true and fair view described in Section 396 (2A) of the Companies Act 2006 of the state of the federation's affairs as at 31 August 2017 and of its profit for the year then ended.

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 Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the federation 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 officers' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the officers' have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the 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.

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In forming our opinion on the financial statements, as required by the Companies Act 2006, we have disregarded any provision of an accounting standard which would require the financial statements to contain:

- information additional to the micro-entity minimum accounting terms; and
- further information in relation to the micro-entity minimum accounting terms.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

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

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

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the officers were not entitled to take advantage of the small companies' exemption from the requirement to prepare a Strategic Report or in preparing a Officers' Report, tailored as applicable.

FEDERATION OF DREDGING CONTRACTORS

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

TO THE MEMBERS OF FEDERATION OF DREDGING CONTRACTORS

Responsibilities of Officers

The officers 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 officers 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 officers responsible for assessing the federation'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 officers either intend to liquidate the federation or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

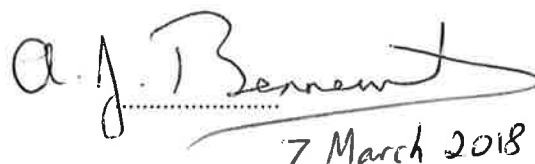
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A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: <http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, 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 federation's members those matters we are required to state to them 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 federation and the federation's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

A J Bennewith FCA, FCPA, FFA, DChA, FRSA
(Senior Statutory Auditor)
for and on behalf of A.J. Bennewith & Co.

Chartered Accountants
Statutory Auditor



7 March 2018

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FEDERATION OF DREDGING CONTRACTORS

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2017

	2017	2016
	£	£
Income	-	-
Staff costs	-	-
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Surplus for the year	-	-
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FEDERATION OF DREDGING CONTRACTORS

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 AUGUST 2017

	2017		2016	
	£	£	£	£
Current assets	41		41	
	<u>41</u>		<u>41</u>	
Net current assets		41		41
		<u>41</u>		<u>41</u>
Capital and reserves		41		41
		<u>41</u>		<u>41</u>

Federation of Dredging Contractors is a Employers' Association under section 123 of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992. The registered office is 4th Floor, Imperial House, 15 Kingsway, London, WC2B 6UN.

The officers responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the micro-entity provisions and in accordance with FRS 105 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the Micro-entities Regime'.

The financial statements were approved by the board of officers and authorised for issue on 07/03/18 and are signed on its behalf by:


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Director

Employers' Association List Number 126E