Registration number: 12323606

## MissImp CIC

(A company limited by guarantee)

Annual Report and Unaudited Financial Statements for the Period from 01 December 2020 to 30 November 2021

## **Company Information**

Directors Nick Tyler

Liam Webber

Ben Macpherson

Marilyn Ann Bird

Registered office 77 Windsor Street

Beeston

Nottingham

NG92BW

## Directors' Report for the Period from 01 December 2020 to 30 November 2021

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the period from 01 December 2020 to 30 November 2021.

#### Incorporation

The company was incorporated on 20 November 2019.

#### Directors of the company

The directors who held office during the period were as follows:

Nick Tyler (appointed 20 November 2019)

Ben Macpherson (appointed 20 November 2019)

Marilyn Ann Bird (appointed 20 November 2019)

Liam Webber (appointed 20 November 2019 and resigned 04 April 2021)

#### **Principal activity**

The principal activity of the company is to promote, teach, and perform improvised comedy in Nottingham and beyond.

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**Summary** 

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challenging, as did encouraging the return of audiences to venues once more, as well as

returning to live events after a very long period without. We adapted where possible, placing

our community's needs and wellbeing ahead of profits. We provided all of our online and

outdoor activities at zero cost, offering the ability to donate should attendees wish. When we

were at last able to resume activities indoors, our usual venue was unavailable; we absorbed

substantially higher room hire costs to enable our community to return to normal, without

increasing our prices. This had obvious impacts on our finances, but a very successful show at

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surplus this year. Our expanded Exec Team has proved utterly invaluable in navigating this

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during this period, and look forward to improved stability over the next period and a resumption

of our regular activities and further opportunities.

**Small companies provision statement** 

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to companies

subject to the small companies regime within Purl 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

Approved by the Board on 26 August 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

Marilyn Ann Bird

Director

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# Accounts for MissImp CIC for the period Ended 30 November 2021 completed by MissImp CIC.

Profit and Loss Account for the Period from 01 December 2020 to 30 November 2021

Profit & Loss	2020-2021 £
Turnover	4,082
Cost of Sales	(579)
Gross Surplus	3,504
Administrative Expenses	86%
Operating Surplus	(3,033)
Surplus before tax	470
Surplus for the financial period	470

The above results were derived from continuing operations.

The company has no recognised gains or losses for the period other than the results above.

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#### Balance Sheet as at 30 November 2021

	2020-2021
	£
<b>Current Assets</b>	
Debtors	631
Cash at bank and in hand	4,028
	4,659
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	0
Total assets less current liabilities	4,659
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year	(7,850)
Net liabilities	(3,191)
Capital and reserves	
Profit and loss account	470
Total equity	470

For the financial period ending 30 November 2021 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

#### Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the period in question in accordance with section 476; and
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to companies subject to the small companies regime within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

Approved and authorised by the Board on 26 August 20	22 and signed on its be	half by:
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Nick Tyler
Director

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Period from 01 December 2020 to 30 November 2021

#### 1 General information

The company is a company limited by guarantee, incorporated in England, and consequently does not have share capital. Each of the members is liable to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 towards the assets of the company in the event of liquidation.

#### The address of its registered office is:

77 Windsor Street Beeston Nottingham NG92BW

These financial statements were authorised for issue by the Board on 26 August 2022.

#### 2 Accounting policies

Summary of significant accounting policies and key accounting estimates

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

#### Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 Section IA - 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006.

#### **Basis of preparation**

These financial statements have been prepared using the historical cost convention except that as disclosed in the accounting policies certain items are shown at fair value.

#### **Going concern**

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

#### **Revenue recognition**

Turnover comprises the fair value of the consideration received or receivable for the sale of goods and provision of services in the ordinary course of the company's activities. Turnover is shown net of sales/value added tax, returns, rebates and discounts and after eliminating sales within the company.

#### The company recognises revenue when:

- The amount of revenue can be reliably measured;
- it is probable that future economic benefits will flow to the entity;
- and specific criteria have been met for each of the company's activities.

#### Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

#### **Trade debtors**

Trade debtors are amounts due from customers for merchandise sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business.

Trade debtors are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. A provision for the impairment of trade debtors is established when there is objective evidence that the company will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

#### **Trade creditors**

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Accounts payable are classified as current liabilities if the company does not have an unconditional right, at the end of the reporting period, to defer settlement of the creditor for at least twelve months after the reporting date. If there is an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least twelve months after the reporting date, they are presented as non-current liabilities.

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#### **Borrowings**

Interest-bearing borrowings are initially recorded at fair value, net of transaction costs. Interest-bearing borrowings are subsequently carried at amortised cost, with the difference between the proceeds, net of transaction costs, and the amount due on redemption being recognised as a charge to the Profit and Loss Account over the period of the relevant borrowing.

Interest expense is recognised on the basis of the effective interest method and is included in interest payable and similar charges.

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#### 3 Debtors

	2021-21
	£
Prepayments	631.25
Other debtors	
	631.25

#### **4 Creditors**

Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2021-21
Due within one year	£
Other creditors	0

Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	2021-21
Due after one year	£
Loans and borrowing	7,850

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	2021-21
Non-current loans and borrowings	£
Other borrowing	7,850

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Turnover			
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Entry Fee			(440)
External Team Split			(139)
			(579)
General Admin Costs			
Advertising			(619)
Corporate			(255)
Insurance			(563)
IT Infrastructure			(246)
Sundry payments / Expenses			(72)
Room Hire			(1,132)
Transaction fees			(146)
			(3,033)

# **CIC 34**

## **Community Interest Company Report**

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Please complete in	Company Name in full	MissImp CIC
typescript, or in bold black capitals.	Company Number	12323606
	Year Ending	30 November 2021

(The date format is required in full)

Please ensure the company name is consistent with the company name entered on the accounts.

This template illustrates what the Regulator of Community Interest Companies considers to be best practice for completing a simplified community interest company report. All such reports must be delivered in accordance with section 34 of the Companies (Audit, Investigations and Community Enterprise) Act 2004 and contain the information required by Part 7 of the Community Interest Company Regulations 2005. For further guidance see chapter 8 of the Regulator's guidance notes and the alternate example provided for a more complex company with more detailed notes.

(N.B. A Filing Fee of £15 is payable on this document. Please enclose a cheque or postal order payable to Companies House)

#### PART 1 - GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE COMPANY'S ACTIVITIES AND IMPACT

In the space provided below, please insert a general account of the company's activities in the financial year to which the report relates, including a description of how they have benefited the community.

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(If applicable, please just state "A social audit report covering these points is attached").

(Please continue on separate continuation sheet if necessary.)

**PART 2 – CONSULTATION WITH STAKEHOLDERS** – Please indicate who the company's stakeholders are; how the stakeholders have been consulted and what action, if any, has the company taken in response to feedback from its consultations? <u>If there has been no consultation, this should be made clear.</u>

Our stakeholders are the community of individuals who attend or participate in our teaching and performance activities, along with the venues we regularly work with to host events and our audiences. We seek feedback from our community of improvisers through participation in our Facebook group and after planned training events. In large part that has helped us to schedule more online activities during the period, as well as assessing whether our community both desired, and felt safe in returning to live in-person activities.

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<b>PART 3 – DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION</b> – if you have provided full details in your accounts you need not reproduce it here. Please clearly identify the information within the accounts and confirm that, "There were no other transactions or arrangements in connection with the remuneration of directors, or compensation for director's loss of office, which require to be disclosed" (See example with full notes). If no remuneration was received you must state that "no remuneration was received" below.
No renumeration received.
PART 4 – TRANSFERS OF ASSETS OTHER THAN FOR FULL CONSIDERATION – Please insert full details of any transfers of assets other than for full consideration e.g. Donations to outside bodies. If this does not apply you must state that "no transfer of assets other than for full consideration has been made" below.
No transfers of assets other than for full consideration has been made.
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#### PART 5 – SIGNATORY (Please note this must be a live signature)

The original report	r	16/08/		
must be signed by a	Signed		Date	26/08/22
director or secretary of the				
company	Please not	e that it is a legal requirement	t for the date	format to be

provided in full throughout the CIC34 report.

**Applications will be rejected if this is information is incorrect.** 

Office held (delete as appropriate) Director/Secretary

You do not have to give any contact information in the box opposite but if you do, it will help the Registrar of Companies to contact you if there is a query on the form. The contact information that you give will be visible to searchers of the public record.

nick@missimp.co.uk		
	Tel	
DX Number	DX Exchange	

When you have completed and signed the form, please attach it to the accounts and send both forms by post to the Registrar of Companies at:

For companies registered in England and Wales: Companies House, Crown Way, Cardiff, CF14 3UZ DX 33050 Cardiff

For companies registered in Scotland: Companies House, 4th Floor, Edinburgh Quay 2, 139 Fountainbridge, Edinburgh, EH3 9FF DX 235 Edinburgh or LP – 4 Edinburgh 2

For companies registered in Northern Ireland: Companies House, 2nd Floor, The Linenhall, 32-38 Linenhall Street, Belfast, BT2 8BG

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