

**Summary of Solo Housing audit and accounts for the year ended 31 March 2022 by Mark Proctor  
FCA DChA Senior Statutory Auditor – Lovewell Blake LLP**

**Audit:**

Following the audit, Lovewell Blake raised a number of observations which mainly related to the change in our accounting software and systems in the year. Management will take these forward and action those recommendations.

Lovewell Blake are issuing an unmodified audit report – i.e. a clean audit report.

**Summary of key points from the annual accounts:**

Income increased in the year by around 3% due to increased rental income.

Grant income increased by 33% in the year, mainly due to additional grants from Alan Boswell and Awards for All. There was a drop in other income this year but that was because of one-off Covid support grants received in the previous year.

Expenditure has increased by £277k on the previous year, most of which is attributable to maintenance and repair costs and staff costs. Maintenance was running at a higher level than usual as Solo has had to catch up on repairs due to the backlog caused by Covid.

For the year the reported deficit in the accounts was £17,817, compared with a deficit of £5,407 in the previous year. The deficit is covered by free reserves.

In terms of key movements on the balance sheet - debtors have increased by 43% on the previous year and this is mainly due to an increase in rental debtors.

Trade creditor balances have reduced by around 34% and this is mainly due to a significant reduction in deferred income from last year due to grant income received last year being released in this financial year when that income has been spent.

At the year end free reserves amounted to £288,441 which amounts to around 2.5 months of unrestricted expenditure.

**December 13<sup>th</sup> 2022**