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2. Key Entity Information and Management

a) Background information

Wajir County Disability Fund is established by and derives its authority and accountability from Wajir County Disability Fund Act, 2021. The Fund is wholly owned by the County Government of Wajir and is domiciled in Kenya.

The Disability fund's objective is to facilitate the improvement of the living conditions for persons with severe disabilities in Wajir County through socio-economic empowerment by; promoting equal and equitable access to social- economic, political opportunities and services by persons with disabilities in the County; enhancing awareness on the rights of persons with disabilities in the County; and establishing mechanisms to address cultural and societal stigma towards persons with disabilities;

b) Principal Activities

The principal activity/ mandate of the Wajir County Disability Fund is to receive Disability funds as appropriated in the County's Approved budget estimates and disburse the funds as stipulated in the Act to facilitate the improvement of the living conditions for persons with disabilities.

c) Fund Administration Committee

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It is my pleasure to present the Wajir County Disability Fund's financial statements for the period ending 30th June 2023. The financial statements present the financial performance of the County Disability Fund on the just concluded fiscal year.

The fund came into existence after the enactment of the Wajir County Disability Fund Act 2020 (amended in 2021). In the financial year 2022/2023, a total of Ksh 40,344,000 was allocated to the Fund. There was also an opening balance bank balance of Kshs 340,920 for disbursement brought forward from Financial Year 2021/20202. These disbursements were aimed at supporting persons living with severe disabilities in by;

- Facilitating the improvement of the living conditions for persons with disabilities in Wajir County, through socio-economic empowerment;
- 2. Promoting equal and equitable access to social- economic, political opportunities and services by persons with disabilities in the County;
- 3. Enhancing awareness on the rights of persons with disabilities in the County; and
- Establishing mechanisms to address cultural and societal stigma towards persons with disabilities;

The fund is administered by an administration Committee known as the Wajir County Disability Fund Committee, which is established by the Act and regulations. The committee is equally assisted in its work by a management team established under the Act in the departmental level. The management committee at the county level has a responsibility of receiving, vetting and approving of Disability applications and recommending deserving cases to the county Disability management team as stipulated in the Disability Fund Act.

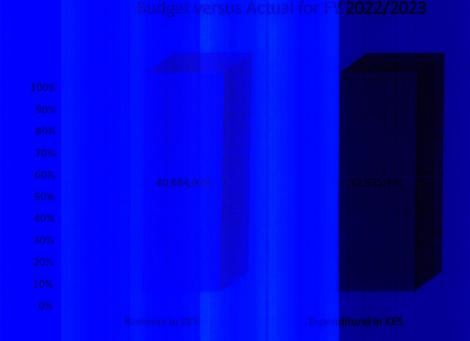
Performance

Beneficiaries of the fund include persons with mobility and physical impairment, Spinal Cord disability, brain disability, vision and/hearing disability, cognitive or learning disability as well as psychological disorders. During the financial year, Kshs 29,414,000 was disbursed as cash transfer and for provision of assistive devices. The Administration board committees are working on how to increase the budgetary allocation to cover more deserving cases in coming years.

Way forward

Report of the Fund Administrator

Wajir County Disability Fund had an opening fund balance of KES 340,920 which was the closing fund balance of Financial Year 2021/ 2022 and 40,344,000 transferred from the County Government. In the financial year 2022/2023, a total of Ksh 29,414,000 was disbursed to benefitting persons living with disabilities as cash transfers and other assistive devices, while 1,204,665 was spent on Administration and 2,320,500 on Disability Mainstreaming, Inclusion and M&E. This leaves a bank balance of KES 7,745,755 which forms the accumulated surplus for the year to be carried forward in FY 2023/2024. This was 81% absorption of the allocated budget for the year.



Performance

During the year Ksh 29,414,000 was disbursed to support the physically challenged person cases within Wajir County. These were allocated to deserving cases covering both mental and physical disabilities. The management is working on how to increase the budgetary allocation to support more cases in coming financial years.

We intend to increase number of Disability beneficiaries from the 630 persons to approximately 1,178 registered persons with serve disabilities in the subsequent financial year of 2023/2024.

7. Statement of Performance against the County Fund's Predetermined Objectives

Introduction

Section 164 (2) (f) of the Public Finance Management Act, 2012 requires that, at the end of each financial year, the accounting officer when preparing financial statements of each County Government Entity in accordance with the standards and formats prescribed by the Public Sector Accounting Standards Board includes a statement of the county government entity's performance against predetermined objectives.

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The principal mission mandate of the Fund is to facilitate the improvement of the living conditions for persons with disabilities in Wajir County, through socio-economic empowerment; promote equal and equitable access to social-economic, political opportunities and services by persons with disabilities in the County; enhance awareness on the rights of persons with disabilities in the County; and establish mechanisms to address cultural and societal stigma towards persons with disabilities.

The County Government prepared the third generation CIDP 2023-2027 which is the county development blue print for the next five years. In this, Social protection plays a critical role and that's why there is the Disability Fund. Tracking of Disability implementation status is done through a number of activities including: field inspection reports, quarterly M&E reports and annual M&E reports. Annual reports are carried out as per Section 164 (2) (f) of the Public Finance Management Act, 2012.

Education as a Strategic development objective

The County's 2023-2027 CIDP has identified Twenty-three key strategic development objectives. Broadly, these objectives have been identified through a participatory process that reviewed the development priorities of the Governor's Manifesto, Vision 2030 & the National Government Agenda, SDGs and the MTP III.

The strategic objectives are a synthesised product of the afore-mentioned planning frameworks that amalgamate the thematic focus and development as pirations in these policy frameworks and plans, and are summarised here-in-under:

a) Receive and consider applications for funding from the Fund:

8. Corporate Governance Statement

The Wajir County Disability Fund is made up of 9 Administration Committee members Members meet to deliberate on the performance of the management team by evaluating and considering Disability assistance to the people living with disabilities. The committee members are not remunerated from the fund but paid sitting allowances based on the Budget allocation and as per the act. In the coming years we will be able to report on the governance structure based on:

- Number of Fund Administration Committee meetings held and the attendance to those meetings by members,
- b) Succession plan,
- c) Existence of a service charter,
- d) Process of appointment and removal of board/ Administration Committee members.
- e) Roles and functions of the Administration Committee members,
- f) Induction and training, Administration Committee members and member's performance
- g) Conflict of interest.
- h) Board remuneration.
- i) Ethics and conduct as well as governance audit undertaken if any

10. Environmental and Sustainability Reporting

1. Sustainability strategy and profile

The Wajir County Development Agenda is informed by the need to increase and expand sustainable development opportunities and build people's capacities to enable them create wealth and transform their lives for growth and prosperity. The County Envisions being a competitive, industrialized and socio-economically self-sustaining and securing county. This will be attained by providing quality and efficient services through innovative and sustainable utilization of resources for a better quality of life to all citizens of Wajir County. This is what the county intends to attain and sustain it through creation of a county culture anchored on; Transparency; Inclusiveness and Equity; Empowerment; Quality and result oriented in provision of the county services.

2. Environmental performance

As outlined in the County 2018-2022 CIDP, Environment is one of the key thematic areas that the county has put a lot of focus in its developments agenda. Land is a natural resource which can be sustainably used to satisfy man's unlimited needs and wants as long as the concept of scarcity is recognized. Cognizant of the need for responsible land use for environmental sustainability, The County has developed a number of policies, programmes and structures guiding environmental matters within the County.

3. Employee welfare

Wajir County Recognises the value of its employees in the implementation and long term sustainability of its development strategy. As a result, it has always ensured a fair recruitment process where competences and qualification has been key in hiring of its employees to ensure value from its human resource. All recruitments obverse the one third Gender rule and the inclusivity. All senior management staff from the level of county directors and above are placed under performance Contract while the junior staff are under performance Appraisal system.

This is aimed at inculcating a results culture and also helps to identify skills Gap for capacity building and future development the County staff as they inform approvals for Promotion and training for carrier growth. For a better and health work force, the county has also placed all staff under a medical cover which on terms as provided by the Salaries and Remuneration Commission's guideline of Employee Medical benefits.

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Principal activities

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Results

The results of the Fund for the year ended June 30, 2023 are set out on page one of this report

Trustees

The members of the fund administration committee who served during the year are shown on page VII.

Auditors

The Auditor General is responsible for the statutory audit of the Fund in accordance with Article 229 of the Constitution of Kenya and the Public Audit Act 2015.

By Order of the Board

NAEMA IBRAHIM SOMO

Chairperson of the Fund Administration Committee

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The Administrator further confirm the completeness of the accounting records maintained for the Fund, which have been relied upon in the preparation of the Fund's financial statements as well as the adequacy of the systems of internal financial control.

In preparing the financial statements, the Administrator of the County Public Fund has assessed the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern and disclosed, as applicable, matters relating to the use of going concern basis of preparation of the financial statements.

Nothing has come to the attention of the Administrator to indicate that the Fund will not remain a going concern for at least the next twelve months from the date of this statement.

Approval of the financial statements

The Fund's financial statements were approved by the Board on 15th July 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

Osman Ahmed Abdi

Administrator of the Wajir County Disability Fund

30 June, 2023 and the statement of financial performance, statement of changes in net assets, statement of cash flows and statement of comparison of budget and actual amounts for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information in accordance with the provisions of Article 229 of the Constitution of Kenya and Section 35 of the Public Audit Act, 2015. I have obtained all the information and explanations which, to the best of my knowledge and belief, were necessary for the purpose of the audit.

In my opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Wajir County Disability Fund as at 30 June, 2023, and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended, in accordance with International Public Sector Accounting Standards (Accrual Basis) and comply with the Wajir County Persons with Disabilities Act. 2021 and the Public Finance management Act. 2012.

Basis for Opinion

The audit was conducted in accordance with International Standards of Supreme Audit Institutions (ISSAIs). I am independent of the Wajir County Disability Fund Management in accordance with ISSAI 130 on Code of responsibilities in accordance with the ISSAI and in accordance with other ethical requirements applicable to performing audits of that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

Key Audit Matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in my professional judgment, are of most significance in the audit of the financial statements. There were no key audit matters to report in the year under review.

REPORT ON LAWFULNESS AND EFFECTIVENESS IN USE OF PUBLIC RESOURCES

Conclusion

As required by Article 229(6) of the Constitution based on the audit procedures performed except for the matters described in the Basis for Conclusion on Lawfulness and Effectiveness in Use of Public Resources section of my report, I confirm that, nothing else has come to my attention to cause me to believe that public resources have not been applied lawfully and in an effective way.

Basis for Conclusion

Non-Compliance in Allocation of Funds

During the year under review, the Fund received a total of Kshs.40,344,000 in respect of transfer from the County Government of Wajir. This represented 1% of the total County Government budget of Kshs.4,069,962,493. This was contrary to Section 10(2) of the Wajir County Persons with Disabilities Act. 2021 which provides that the County

In preparing the financial statements, Management is responsible for assessing the Fund's ability to continue to sustain its services, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to sustainability of services and using the sustainability of services basis of accounting unless Management is aware of the intention to terminate the Fund or to cease operations.

Management is also responsible for the submission of the financial statements to the Auditor-General in accordance with the provisions of Section 47 of the Public Audit Act, 2015.

In addition to the responsibility for the preparation and presentation of the financial statements described above, Management is also responsible for ensuring that the activities, financial transactions and information reflected in the financial statements are in compliance with the authorities which govern them, and that public resources are applied in an effective way.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Fund's financial reporting process, reviewing the effectiveness of how Management monitors compliance with relevant legislative and regulatory requirements, ensuring that effective processes and systems are in place to address key roles and responsibilities in relation to governance and risk management, and ensuring the adequacy and effectiveness of the control environment.

Auditor-General's Responsibilities for the Audit

The audit 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 my opinion in accordance with the provisions of Section 48 of the Public Audit Act, 2015 and submit the audit report in compliance with Article 229(7) of the Constitution. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISSAIs will always detect a material misstatement and weakness 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.

In addition to the audit of the financial statements, a compliance audit is planned and performed to express a conclusion about whether, in all material respects, the activities, financial transactions and information reflected in the financial statements are in compliance with the authorities that govern them and that public resources are applied in an effective way, in accordance with the provisions of Article 229(6) of the Constitution and submit the audit report in compliance with Article 229(7) of the Constitution.

Further, in planning and performing the audit of the financial statements and audit of compliance, I consider internal controls in order to give an assurance on the effectiveness of internal controls, risk management and governance processes and systems in accordance with the provisions of Section 7(1)(a) of the Public Audit Act, 2015 and submit the audit report in compliance with Article 229(7) of the Constitution. My consideration of the internal controls would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal controls that

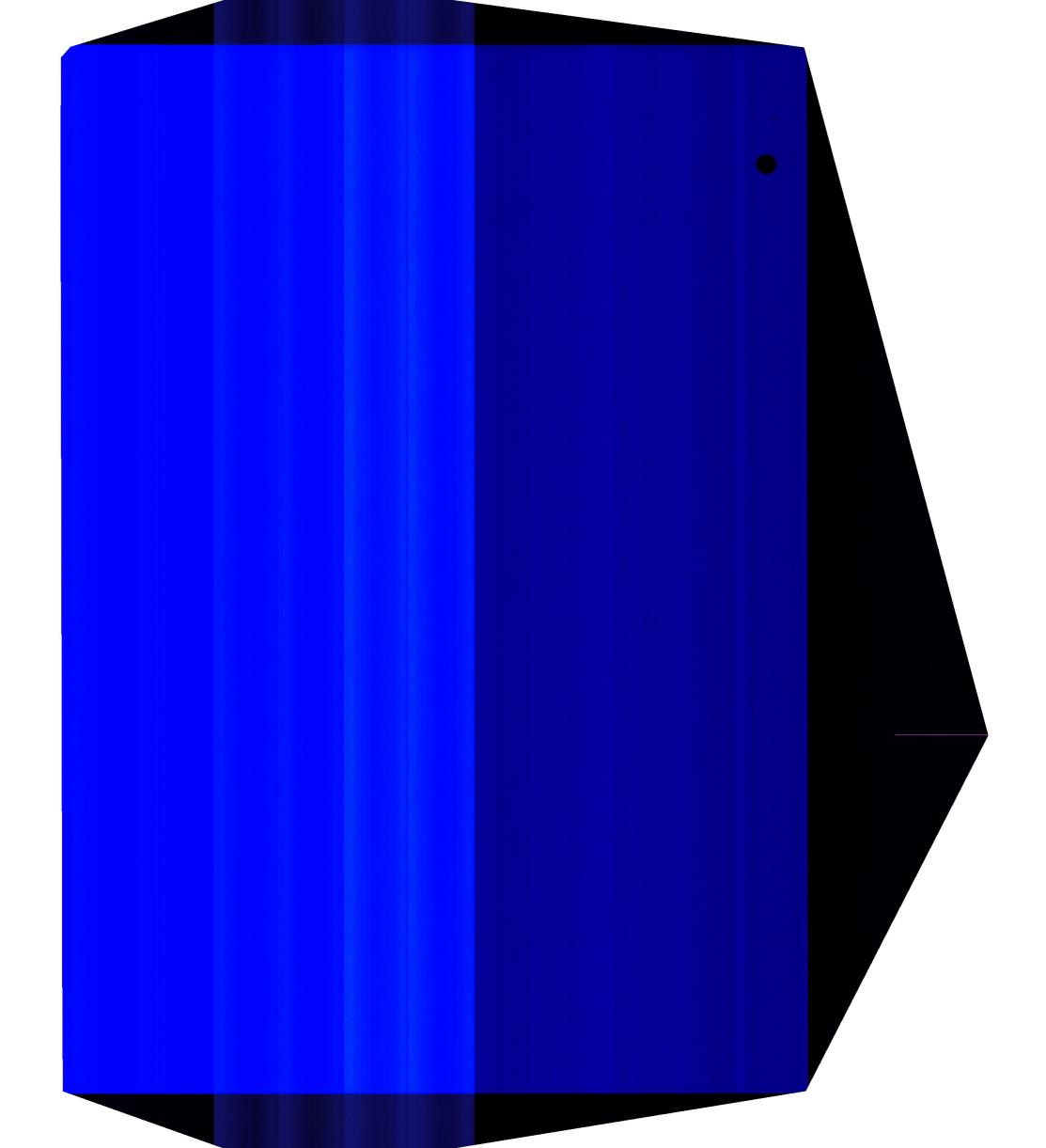
might be material weaknesses under the ISSAIs. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements caused by error or fraud in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal controls may not prevent or detect misstatements and instances of non-compliance. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the Fund policies and procedures may deteriorate.

As part of an audit conducted in accordance with ISSAIs, I exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. I 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 my 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 controls.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Management's use of the applicable 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 Fund's ability to continue to sustain its services. If I conclude that a material uncertainty exists, I am required to draw attention in the auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify my opinion. My conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of my audit report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Fund to cease to continue to sustain its services.
- 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.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information and business activities of the Fund to express an opinion on the financial statements.
- Perform such other procedures as I consider necessary in the circumstances.

I communicate with Management regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal controls that are identified during the audit.



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15. Statement of Changes in Net Assets for the year ended 30th June 2023

CONTRICTOR OFFICER

Name: Osthan Athfred Abdi

Administrator of the Fund

Name: Abdikheir Sharif Hassan

Fund Accountant

ICPAK Member Number: 25686

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7. Statement of Comparison of Budget and Actual Amounts for the period

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- 1. Significant Accounting Policies
- a) Revenue recognition

i. Revenue from non-exchange transaction:

Transfers from other government entities

Revenues from non-exchange transactions with other government entities are measured at fair value and recognized on obtaining control of the asset (cash, goods, services and property) if the transfer is free from conditions and it is probable that the economic benefits or service potential related to the asset will flow to the entity and can be measured reliably.

ii. Revenue from exchange transactions

Interest income

Interest income is accrued using the effective yield method. The effective yield discounts estimated future cash receipts through the expected life of the financial asset to that asset's net carrying amount. The method applies this yield to the principal outstanding to determine interest income each period.

Dividends

Dividends or similar distributions must be recognized when the shareholder's or the Entity's right to receive payments is established.

Rental income

Rental income arising from operating leases on investment properties is accounted for on a straight-line basis over the lease terms and included in revenue.

b) Budget information

The original budget for FY 2022/2023 was approved by the County Assembly on 30th November 2022. Subsequent revisions or additional appropriations were made to the approved budget in accordance with specific approvals from the appropriate authorities. The additional appropriations are added to the original budget by the entity upon receiving the respective approvals in order to conclude the final budget.

The entity's budget is prepared on a different basis to the actual income and expenditure disclosed in the financial statements. The financial statements are prepared on accrual basis using a classification based on the nature of expenses in the statement of financial performance, whereas the budget is prepared on a cash basis. The amounts in the financial statements were recast from the accrual basis to the cash basis and reclassified by presentation to be on the same basis as the approved budget. A comparison of budget and

g) Nature and purpose of reserves

The Entity creates and maintains reserves in terms of specific requirements.

h) Changes in accounting policies and estimate

The Entity recognizes the effects of changes in accounting policy are applied prospectively if retrospective application is impractical.

i) Employee benefits - Retirement benefit plans

The Entity provides retirement benefits for its employees and directors. Defined contribution plans are post-employment benefit plans under which an entity pays fixed contributions into a separate entity (a fund) and will have no legal or constructive obligation to pay further contributions if the fund does not hold sufficient assets to pay all employee benefits relating to employee service in the current and prior periods. The contributions to fund obligations for the payment of retirement benefits are charged against income in the year in which they become payable.

Defined benefit plans are post-employment benefit plans other than defined-contribution plans. The defined benefit funds are actuarially valued tri-annually on the projected unit credit method basis. Deficits identified are recovered through lump sum payments or increased future contributions on proportional basis to all participating employers. The contributions and lump sum payments reduce the post-employment benefit obligation.

j) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and cash at bank, short-term deposits on call and highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less, which are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and are subject to insignificant risk of changes in value. Bank account balances include amounts held at the Central Bank of Kenya and at various commercial banks at the end of the financial year. For the purposes of these financial statements, cash and cash equivalents also include short term cash imprests and advances to authorised public officers and/or institutions which were not surrendered or accounted for at the end of the financial year.

k) Comparative figures

Where necessary comparative figures for the previous financial year have been amended or reconfigured to conform to the required changes in presentation

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5. Economic empowerment

6. Provision of assistive devices

Total	

7. Cash and cash equivalents

Detailed analysis of the cash and cash equivalents are as follows:

Sub total		
Grand total		

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9. Financial risk management

The Fund's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks including credit and liquidity risks and effects of changes in foreign currency. The Fund's overall risk management programme focuses on unpredictability of changes in the business environment and seeks to minimise the potential adverse effect of such risks on its performance by setting acceptable levels of risk. The Fund does not hedge any risks and has in place policies to ensure that credit is only extended to customers with an established credit history.

The Fund's financial risk management objectives and policies are detailed below:

a) Credit risk

The Fund has exposure to credit risk, which is the risk that a counterparty will be unable to pay amounts in full when due. Credit risk arises from cash and cash equivalents, and deposits with banks, as well as trade and other receivables and available-for-sale financial investments. Management assesses the credit quality of each customer, taking into account its financial position, past experience and other factors. Individual risk limits are set based on internal or external assessment in accordance with limits set by the directors. The amounts presented in the statement of financial position are net of allowances for doubtful receivables, estimated by the entity's management based on prior experience and their assessment of the current economic environment.

The board of trustees sets the Fund's credit policies and objectives and lays down parameters within which the various aspects of credit risk management are operated.

b) Liquidity risk management

Ultimate responsibility for liquidity risk management rests with the Fund Administrator, who has built an appropriate liquidity risk management framework for the management of the entity's short, medium and long-term funding and liquidity management requirements. The entity manages liquidity risk through continuous monitoring of forecasts and actual cash flows.

c) Market risk

The County Internal Audit assists in assessing the risk faced by the entity on an on-going basis, evaluate and test the design and effectiveness of its internal accounting and operational controls.

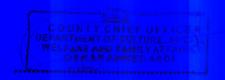
Market risk is the risk arising from changes in market prices, such as interest rate, equity prices and foreign exchange rates which will affect the entity's income or the value of its holding of financial instruments. The objective of market risk management is to manage and control market risk exposures within acceptable parameters, while optimising the return. Overall responsibility for managing market risk rests with the Audit and Risk Management Committee.

There has been no change to the entity's exposure to market risks or the manner in which it manages and measures the risk.

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20. Annexes

Annex I: Progress on Follow Up Of Prior Year Auditor's Recommendation

The following is the summary of issues raised by the external auditor, and management comments that were provided to the auditor.



Fund Manager, Wajir County Disability Fund.

Annex II: Inter-Fund Confirmation Letter

