

Registered Charity number  
1071732

Difficult Airway Society

Accounts

30th June 2025

**Difficult Airway Society**  
**Accounts for the year ended**  
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**Difficult Airway Society**  
**Receipts and Payments Account**  
**for year ended 30th June 2025**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Membership Income	89,609	61,698
Interest Received	1,356	1,629
	<b>90,965</b>	<b>63,327</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>		
Travel expenses	28,764	7,612
AAGBI Services to Specialist Societies	22,581	39,615
DAS alert cards	1,647	2,825
Adept	-	35,671
Other professional services	47	35
Website	36,656	41,565
Bank charges	102	104
Accountants fees	1,080	1,140
Software	264	793
Postage and stationery	-	198
DAS prize	-	200
Legal Fees	1,050	-
Amplitude Clinical - Database migration	15,500	-
Cardiff and Vale	7,005	
Conference party meeting penalty	26,520	
DAS Educational support to charity	2,500	-
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>143,717</b>	<b>129,758</b>
<b>Other operating income</b>		
Kent Health	1,121	4,276
Pentland Medical	610	200
Abbey Tours	31,298	71,000
Ass of Anaesthetist	-	32,195
Intersurgical Ltd	610	7,500
Karl Storz	5,000	
Conference partner	55,482	
	<b>94,121</b>	<b>115,171</b>
<b>Surplus/Deficit for the year</b>	<b>41,370</b>	<b>48,740</b>

**Difficult Airway Society**  
**Statement of Assets and Liabilities**  
**at 30th June 2025**

		2025		2024	
		£	£	£	£
<b>Current assets</b>					
Debtors	4	21,735			81,720
Cash at bank	7	567,690			501,917
		<u>589,425</u>		<u>-</u>	<u>583,637</u>
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	5	(1,080)			(990)
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			<u>588,345</u>		<u>582,647</u>
<b>Net assets</b>			<u><u>588,345</u></u>		<u><u>582,647</u></u>
<b>Represented by:</b>					
Restricted funds	6	8,124		-	14,972
Unrestricted Funds		559,566			486,946
Surplus/deficit for the year		41,370			84,632
Surplus brought forward		274,844			225,883
Movement in unrestricted funds		(295,559)			(229,786)
<b>Funds carried forward</b>			<u><u>588,345</u></u>		<u><u>582,647</u></u>

These accounts were approved by the Management Committee and signed on their behalf by

Fauzia Mir

Dated

The notes on page 6 form part of these accounts

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<b>4 Debtors</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
DAS 2020		35,200
Conference Partner		26,520
DAS start up 2022		20,000
DAS 2026	21,735	
	<u>21,735</u>	<u>81,720</u>
<b>5 Accruals</b>		
Sinclair Accounting Co Ltd	1,080	990
	<u>1,080</u>	<u>990</u>
<b>6 Restricted Funds</b>		
NIAA Liverpool 2010 - Premium acc 127	18	6,979
Cardiff 2012	7,700	7,591
Adept 1 Project	406	400
	<u>8,124</u>	<u>14,970</u>
<b>7 Bank Accounts</b>		
DAS deposit - Barclays acc 881	84,234	83,037
DAS Current - Barclays acc no 531	461,198	390,366
PayPal Account	14,134	13,544
NIAA Liverpool 2010 - Premium acc 127	18	6,979
Cardiff 2012 - Premium acc 006	7,700	7,591
ADEPT1 account	406	400
	<u>567,690</u>	<u>501,917</u>

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**1 Accounting policies**

***Accounting convention***

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance

**2 Statement of Management Committees Responsibilities**

Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the management committee to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of

- \* select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
  - \* make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
  - \* state whether the policies adopted are in accordance with Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting for Charities" and with applicable Accounting Standards, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
  - \* prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the charity will continue in operation.
- The management committee are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act . They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud or other irregularities

**3 Management Committees Remuneration**

The Management Committee were not entitled to and received no remuneration from the charity during the year.



## Quick recap

The meeting began with technical discussions about Zoom hosting and participant management, followed by updates about Ellen's teaching mission in Africa and a survey about ventilator practices. The main focus was the Difficult Airway Society Annual Members Meeting, where the group reviewed various organizational updates including new guidelines, committee changes, and financial reports. The conversation ended with announcements about scientific activities, new awards for airway management contributions, and upcoming events celebrating DAS's 30th anniversary in 2026.

## Next steps

- Sneh: send email to Ellen and Imran about the Malaysia survey to get their thoughts before replying
- Ravi: keep a register of attendees at future meetings
- DAS committee: issue mini e-zine with new contact details when Muira Engage membership services transition happens
- DAS committee: develop statement of good practice in response to Regulation 28 order
- Airway leads: email awl.rcoa.ac.uk with updated details if they have changed roles or demitted/taken up office
- DAS committee: present Adrian Pierce Awards to Pere Hanari and Bernie Liban in person at one of the 30th birthday events
- DAS committee: present DAS Industry Award to Geraldine Kirch from Fisher & Paykel in person at Guy's event
- DAS committee: present DAS McEwan Medal to Barry Maguire at one of the DAS 30th birthday celebrations

## Summary

### Zoom Technical and Mission Updates

The meeting participants discussed technical issues related to Zoom hosting and attendee management, with Sajay agreeing to assist with renaming attendees. They also addressed the need for maintaining records of meeting participants, with Ravi acknowledging this was a new requirement for their organization. Ellen shared updates about her recent teaching mission in Africa, highlighting the progress made in training medical professionals in Malawi. The group briefly discussed an upcoming survey related to ventilator practices, with Sneh planning to follow up with Ellen and Imran for their input.

### DAS Annual Meeting: Guidelines Update

The Difficult Airway Society Annual Members Meeting was held on December 1, 2025, with Ravi presiding. The meeting covered the approval of last year's minutes, a report on the current executive committee, and updates from President Alistair, Secretary Ravi, and Treasurer Fawzia. Key highlights included the release of the 2025 guidelines for managing unanticipated difficult tracheal intubation in adults, after three years of debate, and the success of DAS roadshows in Nottingham and Birmingham. The committee expanded by four members and welcomed Mark Gabriel as the new resident representative, while thanking outgoing members for their contributions.

### **DAS 30th Anniversary Planning Update**

Alistair provided a comprehensive update on DAS activities, highlighting key developments and upcoming events. He announced that Muira Engage will become the new membership services provider from February 2026, with no expected changes for members. Alistair discussed contributions to Regulation 28 orders and the Difficult Airway Registry, which now has over 2,100 entries. He also previewed upcoming events celebrating DAS's 30th anniversary in 2026 across the UK and Ireland, including a webinar on the 2025 guidelines and various conferences and meetings.

### **Website and Treasury Updates Meeting**

The meeting covered updates on website development, which is ongoing with gradual improvements, and the e-phone registry. Ravi mentioned DAS's representation at international Railway Society meetings. Fauzia presented the Treasury report, highlighting a healthy account balance despite significant expenses on projects like the website and database migration. She discussed upcoming financial commitments, including eFuna registry and DAS database ongoing costs, as well as budgeting for DAS 26 and the transition to the new membership provider, More Engage.

### **DAS Professor and Fellows Updates**

Karim presented updates on DAS scientific activities, including direct grants, NIAA funding, and the DAS Professor award. He announced that Imran was awarded the DAS Professor of Anesthesia and Airway Management for 2025. Karim also introduced the new Fellows of the Difficult Airways Society program, with seven awardees in its first year. The society will open applications for DAS Professor and FDAS in March 2026.

### **Airway Management Awards Announcement**

The meeting focused on the announcement of several awards to recognize contributions to airway management. Alistair presented the Adrian Pierce Awards to Pere Hanari and Bernie Liban, the DAS Industry Award to Geraldine Kirch, and the DAS McEwen Medal to Barry Maguire. Ravi encouraged attendees to ask questions



and provided information about upcoming DAS events, including the annual scientific meeting in Wales in 2026 and various other events throughout the year.