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**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

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# **BRITISH SOCIETY OF CRIMINOLOGY**

## **TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

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The trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the Society's governing document, the Companies Act 2006 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015)".

### **Objectives and activities**

The Society's objectives are to advance public education about crime, criminal behaviour and the criminal justice systems in the United Kingdom. This is important for the running of civil society, to provide an educational and scrutiny role to public policy makers and ensure sufficient research evidence and education for future generations.

2021 continued to be a strange and troubling time for everyone globally and, in common with many organisations, the Society was impacted in both the provision of its usual activities and its income streams. While BSC members were very successful in devising innovative online events bringing our communities together, other colleagues reported wellbeing issues within their organisations and many practitioner members were overwhelmed with the practicalities of their jobs. Friends and colleagues suffered serious illness and a number lost their lives.

### **Membership**

At the end of 2021, the Society had 935 members. This increase on 2020 included UK members with a current direct debit, overseas members and honorary members. The recruitment initiative for separate group and individual options for undergraduates that began in 2020 has continued and the Society now supports some 500 students on such schemes.

Of our members, 70% are based in the university sector, 8% are practitioners working in the public and independent sectors, 14% are postgraduate students, and 8% are based overseas – while these represent fairly consistent proportions of members compared to the year before there has been a slight increase in academic over practitioner members. A new drive to attract more practitioner members is intended in 2022 alongside the development of the Society's website and members' area (more below).

The Society is managed by its Executive Committee, consisting of the President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Executive Secretary of the Society, together with the Regional Groups and Specialist Networks Coordinator, all chairs of Specialist Networks, and chairs of the Publications, Prizes, Public Relations, Conference, Postgraduate and Professional Affairs & Ethics Committees. The Executive Committee can have up to two members 'without portfolio', one of these would usually be the previous President of the Society. Constitutionally, the Company Secretary is also a member of the Executive Committee and with the President, Executive Secretary and Treasurer forms the Finance and General Purposes Committee. In 2015, the AGM created a new role of Vice President to take some of the pressure of workload from the President and ensure greater continuity. The Society is governed by its Constitution, which is amended periodically via member vote at its AGM.

The eight committees, working electronically, have spread the burden of Society work more equitably, and increased capacity significantly. During 2021, the whole Executive Committee continued to meet via Zoom taking interim decisions occasionally via email correspondence. Online meetings are expected to continue into 2022 and to remain a periodic feature of the EC meeting structure into the future.

We would like to thank the trustees who have served the BSC and retired from the Executive this year – Lizzie Seal as Publications sub-Committee chair, Nic Groombridge as Public Relations sub-Committee chair and, within the Networks, Kate Strudwick as Learning and Teaching Network chair and David Churchill as founding Historical Network chair. We also temporarily lost Carina O'Reilly who resigned as Postgraduate Committee chair but will re-join the executive committee in 2022 as Executive Secretary.

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### Achievements and performance

#### Professional Affairs & Ethics Committee

During 2019, the BSC began a process of strategic review to explore the role of the Society and plan for the future. This was overtaken by the onset of the coronavirus pandemic, the response to which has shaped discussions into the future of the annual conference in particular. The nature and number of BSC prizes have been the subject of review this year with the prizes committee discussing existing prizes and potential new ones, issues of transparency and inclusivity of process and links between main society prizes and network prizes and their sponsors.

Following from some of the free text commentary in our previous teaching and researching criminology survey (see 2019 conference papers), in 2021, the BSC invited members to take part in a follow-up survey exploring issues related to sexual misconduct in higher education environments. The questions explored whether participants had experience of student disclosures, whether they felt equipped to deal with these incidents, the extent to which they felt supported by their institutions on these matters, and whether they had personally experienced sexual misconduct in the workplace. This scoping survey formed part of wider, ongoing efforts to better recognise, respond to, and reduce sexual misconduct at higher education settings. Despite only a small proportion of the total BSC member base taking part (n=50), and some respondents choosing not to answer certain questions, the insights obtained contribute to a growing body of information and awareness about sexual misconduct in UK HEIs. The survey was due to be analysed and a full report '*Challenging Behaviour? The 2021 BSC sexual misconduct member survey*' published in 2022.

The BSC held its first online AGM through Zoom. To mark the Society's 60th year, the BSC also invited Past Presidents Philip Bean, Tim Newburn, Mike Hough, Loraine Gelsthorpe and Peter Squires to the AGM to reflect on the history and future of the discipline of criminology and the role of the BSC. This successful event also acted as a pilot event to a more discussion-based AGM format to be continued in 2022 with a planned debate around how, if and why the BSC should speak out on issues relating to the criminological community, such as redundancies and strikes and criminal justice issues more widely.

The BSC worked with the Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education (QAA) to review the Criminology benchmark statement for teaching criminology at HEIs. Criminology was one of 13 subjects reviewed in 2021 and a diverse group of criminologists including BSC trustees Bankole Cole, Rachel Vipond, Grace Gallacher, Azrini Wahidin, Andrew Millie and James Treadwell and Executive Director Charlotte Harris together with regional group chairs were formed to review the 2019 statement with new criteria of inclusivity and sustainability. The subsequent draft report was put out for consultation in December and was due to be published after the consultation responses had been considered in Spring 2022.

The BSC continued to work with the Academy of Social Sciences and the Society Publishers' Coalition (a grouping of not-for-profit academic journal owners across the disciplines) on common issues and policy areas across the social sciences and academic disciplines more generally including the practicalities and impact of open access publication, the role of learned societies, hybrid conferencing and inclusion and diversity.

The BSC continued to respond to queries from both individuals and outside bodies for ethical advice and review, receiving unanimously positive feedback for its input.

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### **Conference Committee**

Due to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, the scheduled face-to-face conference at Surrey University had to be postponed. Recognising that this meant that delegates were again missing the chance to present their research and network with their peers, the BSC worked in tandem with Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences colleagues at the Open University to present a 'place marker' online conference 'Crime and Harm: Challenges of social and global justice?'

Over 200 presenters from a wide array of countries presented in real-time, plus there was a range of Network events and a full social programme throughout both evenings. Plenary speakers from around the world including Lois Presser (University of Tennessee), Tanya Wyatt (Northumbria University), Molly Dragiewicz (Griffith University), Kate Fitz-Gibbon (Monash University), Prabha Unnithan (Colorado State University), Katheryn Russell-Brown (Levin College of Law), Leon Moosavi (University of Liverpool) and Kerry Carrington (QUT) debated green criminology, gendered harms, the impact of Black Lives Matter and decolonizing the discipline of criminology.

A special virtual edition of Criminology & Criminal Justice was curated by The Open University team led by Steve Conway with articles resonating with the plenary panels and theme of this year's conference.

### **Postgraduate Committee**

The BSC postgraduate social media presence has a blog and 3,400 in the Facebook group, all of which creates a vibrant online community that not only shares news and insights on criminological issues, but also represents a platform to share event details, research methods and best practices and in general inform and disseminate the values and principles of the Society. The Committee has also identified the need to strengthen and consolidate the steering group with people at the start of their PhD in order to manage continuity through the committee's activities – currently too many committee members become so very near the end of their studies. The Committee is also looking at ways of revitalising their blog; with plans to follow a new PhD student's journey into PhD. The postgraduate committee continued their long-standing Thinking Differently seminar series with a virtual event in October 2021 'Thinking differently about methods: challenging research in challenging times'. Recognising that these are challenging times for new criminological research, the aim of the event was to explore the innovative and interdisciplinary ways in which we are using, or could use, new and established methods to address a wide range of research challenges in contemporary criminology, criminal justice and beyond. Postgraduate and early career researchers have important contributions to make in pioneering inventive methods and approaches. This event is a space to discuss the challenges we face in research and the role methods play in helping us address those challenges.

Replicating our usual face-to-face practice, the postgraduate committee held a pre-event at the online annual conference offering the postgraduate community the opportunity to network in a permanently open virtual meeting room and also take part in bespoke training and breakout sessions with plenary speakers BSC President Sandra Walklate and City University's Jonathan Ilan ('Decoding Drill: The Criminalisation of UK Rap Music and the potential for Harm-producing Policing').

### **Public Relations Committee**

As in previous years, in 2021 the Society gave advisory information to a number of journalists. We tend to average two media enquiries per month. If these enquiries cannot be addressed immediately by the office staff, they are referred to members of the Executive Committee or individual members who are listed in the Society's 'Knowledge bank'. This was developed from what was previously known as the media list in order to distinguish suggested topic specialists from BSC spokespeople.

The regular Tweeting programme has continued in a bid to keep members and wider society informed of Society activity and criminological events and issues. Our Twitter following (at December 2021) stood at 23,650 – another large year-on-year increase.

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Our website receives an average of 18,000 visits per month (majority UK but also USA, China, India, Pakistan, Canada, Australia). The most downloaded documents on our site this year included our 2021 Winter Newsletter. The BSC Website/Members' area is being redesigned in 2022 taking into consideration members' responses to a survey conducted in January 2022. The new members' area is intended to offer more dynamic content and the ability for members to network and should be more attractive for student members and practitioners. It is also proposed that the completion of the re-design be coordinated with a marketing campaign to increase membership. Possible areas for increasing membership have been identified as marketing individual membership to criminal justice practitioners (possibly through institutions with practitioner-based academic programmes e.g. Policing degrees) and through marketing of Group membership to institutions offering Criminal Justice and Criminology related degree programmes.

We have also continued our monthly draw for free books in partnership with the main criminological publishers. This initiative, started in 2016, has proved popular with members (both early career and significantly more established).

### **Regional Groups and Specialists Networks Committee**

We are extremely fortunate in having dedicated teams working around the country hosting exceptional events which go to the heart of our main charitable aim. The Society is proud of their efforts to adapt to new conditions for research exchange and engagement while coping with the varying teaching demands of their institutions. One benefit of the new regime was that many events were more accessible to a wider audience, not limited to the local area and resulted in legacy products for those not able to attend at the time of the event. The Society thanks all those who organize and speak at these events as well as those who attend and join in the discussions.

Regional events included:

Wales Branch together with the Teaching and Teaching Network hosted 'Public Criminology Through Public Education' in March 'at' Swansea University's Hillary Rodham Clinton School of Law. This was recorded and is available via YouTube. This interdisciplinary event brought together academics from Criminology, Arts & Humanities, Education, and practitioners from the criminal justice system to share innovation in learning and teaching. Presentations included Conversations: Community, Higher Education & Desistance, Making Change Through Research and Impact, The Myopia of Public Criminology & the need for a Critical Education 'Impact', Learning Together: What role for partnerships and a dialogic pedagogy?, and Lessons from Prison Teaching for the University Classroom: Strategies and Risks

Southern branch in conjunction with the Mannheim Centre at the London School of Economics and Political Science hosted their usual series of Wednesday evening talks including Katja Franko (University of Oslo) 'The neglected role of citizenship status and 'illegality' in intersectional analysis', Manuel Iturralde (Universidad de los Andes) 'The comparative political economy of punishment in Latin America' and Insa Koch (LSE) 'From criminals to slaves: 'Modern' slavery, county lines, and the cultural politics of victimhood in post-colonial Britain'.



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The BSC now has fourteen specialist network groups increasing its potential to reach out, influence and educate.

The networks are:

The Youth Criminology/Youth Justice Network (YC/YJN), established in 2008 'to open communication and facilitate critical reflection and exchange within and between the academic, policy and practice communities nationally and internationally', and chaired by Barry Goldson (Liverpool University). The Network spent some time in 2021 reconstituting its steering group and reforming links with their counterparts in other learned societies especially beyond the UK. They held an innovative book launch event in conjunction with the Australian and New Zealand Society of Criminology Children, Young People and the Criminal Justice System Thematic Group. 'Youth Justice and Penalty in Comparative Context' co-authored by Professor Barry Goldson, Professor Chris Cunneen (Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research, University of Technology), Professor Eileen Baldry, Professor David Brown, Melanie Schwartz, Sophie Russell (UNSW) and Dr Damon Briggs (Frontline, UK), is the culmination of a major multi-jurisdictional research project, the Comparative Youth Penalty Project, which analysed policy and practice developments over a 40-year period and comprised the first international comparative study of youth justice and penalty in Australia and in England and Wales. The event took place within the two time zones 6.00pm - 7:30pm Sydney, Australia 9.00am - 10:30am UK and involved discussants from across the academic, practitioner and user spectrum - with discussants Professor Loraine Gelsthorpe (University of Cambridge), Dr Faith Gordon (Australian National University), Taylor Price (a Peer Mentor at Youth Ink in London. He is 21 years old and has lived experience of police stations, youth offending services, probation and prison). and Val Weldon (a 16-year-old Wiradjuri and Gamilaraay woman, living in Waterloo, Sydney. Val has spent the last 4 years on bail conditions and on the 9 June 2021 she will be graduating from the Youth Koori Court after 7 months).

The Crime and Justice Statistics Network (CJSN), established in 2009, and chaired again by Allan Brimicombe in 2021 is a virtual community defined by the JISCMAIL CRIME-JUSTICE-STATS which serves as a base for sending out relevant information and announcements, most notably calls for consultations on pending or under consideration changes in crime and justice data definitions, production and reporting by the Office for National Statistics, Home Office and Ministry of Justice. The Network provides an arena for debate about the production and publication of crime and justice statistics; works to improve perception and public trust in crime and justice statistics and supports the proper interpretation of crime statistics and encourages greater analytic use of criminal justice statistics and surveys. Current membership stands at 165.

The Women, Crime and Criminal Justice Network, established in 2011, was chaired in 2021 by Marian Duggan of Kent University. The network exists to support scholarship on women, crime and criminal justice, and to foster research of the highest standard. In addition to promoting scholarship on women, crime and criminal justice, the network also aims to support women as criminological scholars. The Network has 201 JISCMAIL subscribers; 63 Member Database Entries; and a Twitter account with 1,918 followers.

The Network organised a wealth of events and initiatives in 2021.

It published 7 more videos in its Connecting Criminologists series, aiming to pair early career academics with later career academics having a critical conversation accessible enough to be widely shared beyond academia, which was started in 2020. Dr Louise Wattis interviewed Dr Tanya Serisier, Hannah Marshall Dr Emma Wincup, Dr Jenny Korkodeilou Professor Sandra Walklate, Dr Louise Wattis Dr Magali Peyrefitte, Dr Arta Jalili-Idrissi Dr Patricia Gray, Dr Marian Duggan Dr Rebecca Barnes, and Dr Emma Milne Professor Pam Davies.

The Network also launched a termly newsletter to showcase WCCJ members' activities. Content included news on recent publications, research projects and events which members may be involved with. Each newsletter also featured a spotlight on a member of the network highlighting their research and background.

In October, the Network piloted an online writing group for members which will be continued in 2022. The group met via Zoom once a week for 90 mins. There have been more than 20 different attendees so far, with around 5 – 8 people attending per session. People have been working on a range of different writing projects.

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In December, the Network held its fifth Critical Conversations in Gender and Criminology event - Criminological Identities / Identity Criminologies online. The aim was to allow for wider discussion about a range of issues related to our identities as criminologists, and how being criminologists might impact other aspects of our identities. The theme emerged from disciplinary discussions which have interrogated and explored identity in criminology and criminal justice scholarship. These discussions have previously yielded a great depth of insight and understanding across analyses of identity (re)formation among (ex)offenders, identity-based victimisation, and biased or variable policing practices and this event sought to make space for further discussions. The event comprised two sections - an 'in-conversation' style discussion with plenary speakers, Dr Valli Rajah (John Jay College, CUNY) and Dr Jane Palmer (American University) and then themed breakout rooms. Highlights of the event were the subject of a detailed blog by WCCJ chair Marian Duggan after the event. The event was attended by more than 60 delegates.

The Network organised 5 WCCJN panels, comprising of 17 papers from members, along with a reflective session from past and present Chairs during the Network meeting, at the annual conference.

The Policing Network, also established in 2011 with the core aims of advancing understanding of policing studies and providing an arena for information exchange, critical analysis and debate across the research, policy and practice communities – nationally and internationally - was chaired during 2021 by Matt Jones (Open University). The Policing Network continues to be a significant source of information exchange and networking for police researchers and practitioners in the UK and abroad. It now has over 250 members. During 2021, the Network published a number of blogs including 'Lived Experience Advisor Scheme – Office for the Police and Crime Commissioner for Devon and Cornwall' by Dr Davina Cull and 'Doorstep Crime: The policing 'scripts' that decriminalise' by Dr Rachael Aplin.

The Learning and Teaching Network was established in 2012 as a vehicle bringing together colleagues across the discipline with a specific learning and teaching interest while looking for opportunities to embed good practice at module, course and programme levels. The Network was chaired by Katie Strudwick at Lincoln followed by Suzanne Young in 2021 and the Network now has 40 members. It joined with the BSC Welsh branch in 2021 to hold the 'Public Criminology Through Public Education' event described above.

The Victims Network was set up by Pamela Davies of Northumbria University in 2014 bringing together those who have interests around victims of crime and social harm, survivors and resilience. In 2021 it was chaired by Hannah Bows (University of Durham).

The Critical Criminology Network - launched in 2015 - was chaired in 2021 by Oliver Smith (Plymouth University) and Tammy Ayres (University of Leicester) with a remit to 'breathe new life into critical criminology, encouraging critical criminologists to hatch new ideas that relate to the world as it is now'.

The Prison Research Network was set up in 2015 to be convened on a rotation basis, in 2021 by David Best (Derby University) to provide a forum for prison researchers to share information and experience about prisons with a view to developing critical analysis and debate across research, policy and practice communities. The membership currently stands at 55. In 2021, the Network organised an event for postgraduate students with the National Research Council on the process of applying for Ethical Approval for Prison Research and the current strategy for research for HMPPS.

The Early Career Researchers Network was launched in 2016 under the chair of Anna Sergi (Essex University) and chaired in 2021 by Adam Lynes of Birmingham City University and Jayne Price at Chester, with an aim to support post-doctoral researchers as they enter criminological working life, thus concentrating on events and initiatives of interest to this specific group. Following a survey at the end of 2020, the Network established a Zoom informal catch-up space to give Early Career criminologists the opportunity to meet other ECs and have discussions about research, surviving online teaching, juggling PhD, managing workload, uncertainty and anything else! Badged Meet Up!, later events included talks followed by informal catch ups at a time well suited to work and homelife commitments. Talks included one from Dr Sarah Charman from the University of Portsmouth providing a personal perspective of her experience as Editor-in-Chief of the International Journal of Law, Crime and Justice and also giving some tips, from her own personal experience, on submitting to a journal. and another from BSC Treasurer Machi Tseloni on the Data First programme and opportunities for quantitative criminological and criminal justice research and Professor Barry Godfrey on applying for grants. This popular talk attracted over 50 registrations.

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The Historical Criminology Network, chaired by David Churchill (Leeds University) then Esmorie Miller (London South Bank) in 2021, was set up in 2018. The Network held a 'Historical Criminology International Networking Event' in July hosted jointly (on Zoom) with the Australian and New Zealand Historical Criminology Network. Over two short meetings on 14 and 15 July, the Networks brought together scholars for an opportunity to meet others with similar research interests in historical criminology to discuss how we might think and work differently, to discuss research in progress or in the pipeline, and to connect with colleagues from the UK, Australia, New Zealand and beyond. Sessions included PhD and ECR support, Digital data methods and historical criminology, Researching recent histories, Decolonisation and indigenisation, Criminalisation and policing of women and Vulnerabilities of victims in the criminal justice system.

The Network also began exploring the possibility of a collaborative PhD studentship on the history of the BSC/ British criminology through an application for an ESRC collaborative studentship, through the Doctoral Training Partnership. The proposed studentship would focus on the role of the BSC in the formation of contemporary British criminology. It would examine the BSC's role in the emergence of criminology as an autonomous field of study, encompassing and incorporating various scholarly movements and distinct interests, and in sponsoring public education about crime and criminal justice. The studentship is envisaged primarily as an oral history project, based on interviews across the 'three generations' of contemporary British criminology, supplemented by selective archival and documentary research.

The Hate Crime Network also launched in 2018 chaired by Jo Smith (Brighton University) held a series of online events including:

Hate Crime in Football. Incidents of hate crime connected to 287 football matches in England and Wales were reported in 2019-20, according to Home Office figures. Of those incidents, 75% related to race (214 matches), while 27% related to sexual orientation (78 matches). Compared to the previous season, arrests for racist or indecent chanting more than doubled from 14 to 35, despite hundreds of matches being cancelled or played without fans because of the covid-19 pandemic. The aim of this conference was to discuss the scale of the problem and to identify best strategies to tackle hate crime in football. The keynote Speaker was Di Cunningham, Founder of Proud Canaries with two Panel Sessions on Racism and Islamophobia in football (Professor Imran Awan, BCU; Dr Irene Zempi, NTU; Tajeen Hutton, Grassroots Manager, Kick It Out; Arran Williams, Manager Diversity and Inclusion, FA) and Homophobia and transphobia in football (Dr Ben Colliver, BCU; Naomi Reid, Communications Lead and Player, Charlton Invicta F.C. and Dr Michael Seeraj, Head of Equality, Diversity and Inclusion for Charlton Athletic FC & Trust/Chair, English Football League (EFL) Regional EDI Forum).

A talk by Emily Wertans on 'The forgotten victims of hate crime: How can hate scholars engage with homeless victims?'. As a group that stands outside of the formal protected characteristics of hate crime, homeless people are scarcely recognised as victims of prejudice within the UK. However, there are numerous accounts of targeted hostility directed towards people on the basis of their perceived homeless status. Nonetheless, hate scholars, victimisation researchers and politicians have not attempted to meaningfully engage with this group to better understand their experiences and needs. This presentation and the research that underpins it aimed to address what we know about targeted hostility against the homeless, why there is so little attention on it and how can research be conducted to bridge this gap.

'Researching within hate studies: A discussion group for PGRs and ECRs' with Canadian mother and daughter Lauren and Jeanette Manning who shared their story of how white supremacy ideology had changed both of their lives, and how they had been able to come together to walk away from this. We discussed issues relating to online recruitment, misogyny within the movement itself, and some of the difficulties and risks of escaping from extremism.

Dr David Wilkin spoke about 'From Town to Gown: Are we purely academics?' examining why researchers want to be researchers - for personal kudos, for money, perhaps to achieve social change? In this session, David discussed researchers' positions of privilege and what we can give back to society.

Professor Neil Chakraborti and Professor Jon Garland Q and A session reflected upon their own research within hate studies, their successes and challenges.

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The Race Matters Network was launched in 2019 chaired by Coretta Phillips (LSE) and Pamela Ugwu-dike (University of Southampton). In 2021, it was chaired by Monish Bhatia (Birkbeck) and Bankole Cole (Sheffield Hallam). The aim of the Network is to foster greater attention to the dynamics of race and racism in criminological projects and practice, including in the wider work of the BSC; offer support, solidarity and academic development to Black and minority ethnic scholars in criminology, as well as those working within the subfield of race and criminology; engage with local communities, practitioners and policy makers to influence, listen and inform around questions of race and racism; and to foster wider recognition of the contribution of Black and minority ethnic scholars to criminology, historically, nationally and internationally.

The Green Criminology Research Network, was also set up in 2019 and chaired by James Heydon of Nottingham University with the aims of providing an arena to share information, experience and perspectives on environmental crimes and harms, advancing understandings and stimulating debate on environmental issues across the spheres of research, policy and practice and promoting the inclusion of environmental issues into criminological teaching and learning strategies, curricula and/or benchmarks. They currently have a membership of 86 members and 760 Twitter followers.

The Green Criminology Network held the first BSC event of the year with the Society's first Twitter conference "Green Criminology in a Changing World" In this inclusive event, scholars from across the world presented research on a variety of topics gathered under the Green Criminology banner with a general theme of how environmental harms were influenced by the events of 2020. Everyone who presented their work included #Greencrime2021 in their tweets. Keynotes Jenny Maher 'The Dog Delusion: fallacies and false beliefs that perpetuate harms to non-human animals' and Angus Nurse on 'Green Criminology and the Right to a Healthy Environment' began each day.

In 2020, the BSC launched the Vulnerability Network chaired by Harriet Pierpoint (University of South Wales) and Roxanna Dehaghani (Cardiff University). This network provides a forum for discussion on the complexities inherent to researching vulnerability within the context of crime and justice. In 2021, the Network held a series of Vulnerability Flash Talks for people interested in sharing their interests/ideas and keen to collaborate. Members/followers gave a 3-minute lightning talk and took part in discussions.

The growth in specialist networks in the last few years has represented a considerable increase in Society activity, improving the discipline of criminology's research visibility and hence impact. Most of the networks have not just JISC mail lists of members – which are open to everybody not just BSC members – but also separate websites (for example, the Learning and Teaching Network <https://bscltn.wordpress.com/> and the Women, Crime and Criminal Justice Network <https://wccjn.wordpress.com/>) and blogs and Twitter accounts to engage with the wider world. The BSC welcomes expressions of interest for new specialist networks.

#### **Prizes Committee**

In 2021, the Society awarded its Outstanding Achievement Award to Mike Hough, Emeritus Professor of Criminal Policy, Birkbeck, University of London, in recognition of his long contribution to bringing academic and policy research together.

Professor Hough founded one of the major UK centres for academic policy research on criminal justice - the Institute for Crime & Justice Policy Research - and directed it for more than 20 years. Before moving to academia in 1994, he was a senior researcher in the Home Office for twenty years, co-designing the British Crime Survey in 1981. He was President of the British Society of Criminology from 2008 until 2011. Professor Hough's research interests have been many and varied, from policing and public perceptions of crime and punishment, crime measurement and crime trends, and drug-related crime; to sentencing, the rehabilitation of offenders, desistance theory, restorative justice and procedural justice theory. He has around 300 publications.

Professor Hough worked with the Prison Reform Trust on the growth of imprisonment, on sentencing and sentencing guidelines, on children in custody and on the unfairness of the indeterminate sentence of Imprisonment for Public Protection.

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Among his many achievements is fostering collaboration between British and other European criminologists. He has worked on a series of large-scale international projects: two EU partnerships on trust in justice and legitimacy (Euro-Justis and Fiducia); testing a new variant of procedural justice theory using the European Social Survey; and codesigning the third sweep of the International Self-Report Delinquency Study.

The annual book prize, sponsored by Routledge, was awarded to, David Maguire for 'Male, Failed, Jailed: Masculinities and "Revolving-Door" Imprisonment in the UK'.

David Maguire is Director for the Prison Reform Trust's Building Futures Programme, a five-year programme for those that have served 10 or more years in prison. 'Male, Failed, Jailed' charts the cyclical interrelations between cultural representations of masculinity, place, schooling, (un)employment, crime, and imprisonment.

The result is a book that the prizes committee felt were in the absolute best traditions of quality empirical scholarship but produced and directed in a manner that will engage with academics, policy makers, practitioners and further the interests and knowledge about imprisonment in a manner that can inform debates and policy. The book's author took part in a Q and A session with Prizes Committee chair James Treadwell at this year's conference.

This year's Postgraduate research poster prize was awarded to Alison Hutchinson, a PhD student at Northumbria University, for her poster 'A Fishy business: Space for species justice in global wildlife economies?'. With the dependence on fisheries for nutrition and employment increasing globally, marine species are under increasing pressure from over-exploitation. That they remain primarily defined as food and commodities, rather than as wildlife is testament to their position within global governance structures. Drawing from a green criminological, non-speciesist framework, Alison questioned how issues of species justice can be elevated within both conservation and trade discussions using the cases of the minke whale, the queen conch, and the Atlantic bluefin tuna. By focusing on the value systems that support the variable conservation and commodification of marine species, it is possible to better understand how attitudes surrounding harm and victimhood can act to perpetuate global inequalities and the marginalisation of both non-human animals and people. This year as part of the online annual conference event, poster creators also took part in two special Q and A sessions to explain their work directly to audiences.

The Women, Crime and Criminal Justice Network awarded their 2021 Paper Prize to Jennifer Fleetwood, Judith Aldridge and Caroline Chatwin for their article 'Gendering research on online illegal drug markets' in *Addiction Research & Theory*, 28:6, 457-46. In the view of the judges, the article offered an excellent insight into the role of gender in relation to illegal online drug markets. The article critically discusses the omission of women from previous research on illegal online markets, firstly in relation to ongoing gendered assumptions about women's involvement in the drug trade (and in technology more generally), but also down to methodological challenges. The authors' discussion of the challenges of 'doing' research online (in relation to anonymity), particularly in relation to large-scale data sets, is also a fascinating exploration which sets out challenges for future research in this area.

The National Award for Excellence in Teaching Criminology 2021 LTN Prize was awarded to the Department of Criminology at Swansea University for their sustained focus on embedding employability into the criminology curriculum at all undergraduate levels, with evidence from specific modules and curriculum re-design. The judges were particularly impressed by the longevity in the development of this hybrid approach, shown through an integrated model design. The attention to assessment development towards a more authentic form was part of a skills audit/curriculum-mapping exercise embedding employability across the student lifecycle through an integrated model approach with personal transferable skills and summer internship scheme work placements/research internships, all enhancing curriculum impact for student cohorts.

*We congratulate all of our 2021 prize winners.*

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### Publications Committee

A new editorial team from Southampton and Cambridge Universities Loraine Gelsthorpe, Anita Lavorgna and Pamela Ugwu-dike became the editors-in-chief of the Society's journal Criminology & Criminal Justice from January 2021. We thank the previous team from a consortium of Scottish universities, led by Michele Burman at Glasgow University, Laura Piacentini of Strathclyde and Margaret Malloch at Stirling for their work over the previous five years together with Sarah Armstrong (also Glasgow). As well as the editorial team, we would like to extend our thanks to the reviewers for their prompt, rigorous and thoughtful reviews. The journal performed well across many metrics. Its 2020 Impact Factor (the latest available) was 2.672, ranked 31/69 in the 'Criminology and Penology' category.

The most downloaded article in 2021 was 'Rape, inequality and the criminal justice response in England: The importance of age and gender' by Demi Patsios, Lis Bates, Duncan McPhee, Marianne Hester, Sarah-Jane Lilley Walker, Anneleise Williams and Phil Rumney, with 10,354 downloads. CCJ's top Altmetric Score for Content Published in 2020-2021 is 86 for the article "Street gangs and coercive control: The gendered exploitation of young women and girls in county lines" by Tirion Elizabeth Havard, James A Densley, Andrew Whittaker and Jane Wills. This was in the top 5% of all research outputs scored by Altmetric.

The BSC together with our co-owners Sage are monitoring the impact of Open Access on our potential journal subscriptions while exploring how to extend the journal's reach in terms of readership and contributors. The BSC is currently exploring how the sending out of our journals could be greener by using in compostable bags.

There were two Newsletters – one with articles on the subject of Decolonizing Criminology and the other on the general theme of historical criminology - published during the year and one set of Conference Papers. The 'open rate' for both newsletters was 52%.

The bi-monthly bulletin was sent to 99.5% of all members and the 'open rate' was just over 46% (approx 75% are UK based). Just over half of all readers of the bulletin (50.2%) opened it on a mobile device (49.2% via Desktop PC).

The BSC blog: <https://thebscblog.wordpress.com/> continued to attract authors and readers. During the year we published 29 articles and there were around 15,250 visitors – an increase of 2,250 visitors compared to 2020.

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## TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)(INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

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#### Financial review

This year we have continued our policy of 'clarity in finance', to ensure that the Society's finances are presented in a transparent fashion so that the membership can easily ascertain the current financial position of the Society. To this end we have included detail on the nature of the expenditure and income streams of the Society, in particular the costs associated with the two membership journals. We have also included information in this section to further explain some of the figures in the financial report.

The Society's reported fund balances increased from £145,905 at the end of 2020, to £159,294 at the end of 2021, a level in keeping with the Society's regular expenditure plans and its reserves policy (see below). The increase is majorly attributable to the generosity of our collaborators in putting the online annual conference together. The Open University donated all profits to the Society. Savings were also made in venue hire, travel and subsistence due to the lockdown and the BSC was also able to take advantage of the government's Job Retention Scheme once it was extended to cover flexible and part-time furlough.

We worked hard to ensure that membership subscriptions remained solid at £72,537. Alongside long-term members we have a 25% flux and make continued efforts to attract and retain members in the face of increasing costs and financial uncertainty introducing schemes to attract undergraduate and other groups.

The Society continued to receive 26 standing order payments varying in amounts from a few pounds to an outdated membership subscription. The Society has made a number of efforts to reach out to those making standing order payments through a process of identifying and contacting them (by email and letter). These payments sometimes come from members who have transferred to direct debit but failed to cancel their standing orders but in many of the extant cases the originator is unidentifiable and the amounts very small. These standing order payments cannot be stopped by the Society, only the account holder, and they no longer attract membership benefits. They remain an administrative burden to the Society in terms of accounting for them in audit and the continued efforts we make to contact the originator. At the 2016 AGM, it was agreed that we would treat such monies as donations to be used to support the charitable activities of the BSC and therefore the monies involved have been transferred from creditors to income in the following accounts.

We should also report the ongoing financial success of our Journal Criminology & Criminal Justice which saw the Society receive £30,985 in royalty income. This is a decrease on the previous year and we continue to carefully monitor the impact on our finances as subscriptions pass from pay to read to pay to publish as a result of the government's open access publishing agenda. In 2021, it cost £31,767 to print member copies of the British Journal of Criminology (a form of support for this prestigious journal to which the Society has historical links) and £9,048 for Criminology & Criminal Justice.

Mindful of the current unpredictable financial climate, the Society has sought to review ongoing service commitments and through an increasingly streamlined record-keeping structure and administration sought to cut costs. The Trustees will be assessing the short, mid and long-term impacts of Covid-19 as part of their wider strategic planning and will adjust spending plans accordingly.

In summary, the finances throughout 2021 have remained reasonably healthy. The Society continues to improve its educative, research and policy-related interests and while ensuring the financial security of the Society wishes to continue to develop a project-based long-term strategy to ensure that funds are spent wisely to ensure the health of the discipline of criminology, for the benefit of our members and wider society (see below).

As ever, we would like to thank our Executive Director Dr Charlotte Harris for her excellent work in maintaining and finessing the Society's infrastructure and administration while progressing policy and wider interests. We would like to say thank you to Communications and Membership Coordinator Dr Helen Jones, who resigned from the BSC this year after six years with us and welcome Steven Rawlings who took over this role in November.

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#### **Policy for holding reserves**

The BSC has set its reserves at a level at least equivalent to three months' operational expenditure and has done so having regards to its manner of operation and likely funding streams. The reserves level includes staff salary and pension costs and other general running costs on average based on median year-on-year increases, together with the potential for each of its regional groups and specialist networks to draw on the £1,000 annual budget agreed as policy, while acknowledging that many of them do not. The figure does not include the £5,144 designated funds which belong to the Youth Criminology/Youth Justice and Learning and Teaching Networks from sponsorship and profit from paid for events. The reserves amount also recognizes the imbalanced payment-due dates of some of its main payments – i.e. the printing costs of journals both fall due in the early months of the calendar year. The Society's main income streams are variable in nature with fluctuation in membership subscriptions and particularly annual conference income demonstrated in accounting records from previous years (this is in part deliberate as while the Society wishes to host its conference in all parts of the UK it recognises that some geographical areas are more intrinsically attractive, especially to overseas delegates, than others). Conference income is even more unpredictable in the current climate, with considerable uncertainty as to delegates' desire to return to face-to-face and the off-putting prospect of the major cost implication of almost all truly hybrid options. Royalty income is also unpredictable in the next few years as the effects of the Government's open access policy become apparent. The trustees will review the amount of reserves that are required to ensure that they are adequate to fulfil the charity's continuing obligations on a quarterly basis at their executive meetings.

#### **Future of the Society**

The Society relies on three main income streams – membership subscriptions, journal royalties and annual conference income – and each must be reviewed to ensure the continued financial health of the charity.

The Society has moved to a more proactive membership strategy. A membership recruitment drive was begun in 2016 starting with former members and reaching out to new groups such as undergraduates and practitioners. Increased numbers of members will both increase income but also make the Society more relevant and impactful in its dealings with policy and out-facing groups. We are negotiating with our partner publishers re online-only membership options thus reducing print costs to those who really want a print copy of either our journal *Criminology & Criminal Justice*, or the *British Journal of Criminology*.

We are continuously striving to improve our annual conference experience and make the BSC attractive in the face of increasing competition in this field. The Executive Committee is very aware of the costs of attending the Society's conference and will be pursuing new ways to reduce fees and thereby increase access particularly to those who are deterred from attending by cost alone while also addressing the needs of potential delegates in other respects, including in the post pandemic period.



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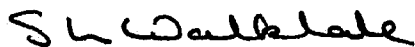
### Structure, governance and management

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

Prof B Goldson	
Dr H L Pierpoint	
Prof A J Brimicombe	
Prof A Wahidin	
Dr R C Vipond	
Prof A Tseloni	
Prof P Davies	
Dr E C Seal	(Resigned 31 December 2021)
Dr O Smith	
Prof J Treadwell	
Dr N B A Groombridge	(Resigned 9 March 2022)
Prof S Walklate	
Dr J Smith	
Dr D C Churchill	(Resigned 7 September 2021)
Dr K Strudwick	(Resigned 16 August 2021)
Prof D Best	
Dr J W Heydon	
Miss C A O'Reilly	(Resigned 22 March 2021)
Dr V Heap	
Dr M C Duggan	
Dr M Jones	
Prof A E Millie	
Dr J Price	
Dr B Cole	(Appointed 3 February 2021 and resigned 12 April 2022)
Mrs G Gallacher	(Appointed 22 March 2021)
Dr H Bows	(Appointed 7 June 2021)
Dr S Young	(Appointed 16 August 2021)
Dr E Miller	(Appointed 7 September 2021)
Dr I Zempi	(Appointed 14 February 2022)
Dr M Bhatia	(Appointed 12 April 2022)

The directors have conducted their own review of the major risks to which the charity is exposed and systems have been established to mitigate those risks. Significant external risks to funding have led to the development of a strategic plan, which will allow for the diversification of funding and activities. Internal risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures of authorization of all transactions and projects and to ensure consistent quality of delivery for all operational aspects of the Society. These procedures are periodically reviewed to ensure that they still meet the needs of the Society. The impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on our income and subsequent spending will be reviewed regularly.

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.



Prof S Walklate

Trustee

Dated: 14/07/22

# BRITISH SOCIETY OF CRIMINOLOGY

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

### TO THE TRUSTEES OF BRITISH SOCIETY OF CRIMINOLOGY

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of British Society of Criminology (the Society) for the year ended 31 December 2021.

#### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the trustees of the Society (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 (the 2006 Act).

Having satisfied myself that the financial statements of the Society are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the Society's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act). In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

#### **Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the Society as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- 4 the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.



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Dated: 19/07/22

# BRITISH SOCIETY OF CRIMINOLOGY

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

		Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
	Notes	£	£	£	£
<b><u>Income from:</u></b>					
Donations and legacies	3	5,072	-	5,072	9,563
<b><u>Charitable activities</u></b>					
Conference income		15,000	-	15,000	-
Subscriptions		72,537	-	72,537	69,404
Journals income	4	(15,830)	-	(15,830)	(18,645)
Post-grad bursary scheme		722	-	722	-
Investment income	5	669	-	669	875
<b>Total income</b>		<u>78,170</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>78,170</u>	<u>61,197</u>
<b><u>Expenditure on:</u></b>					
Raising funds		-	-	-	-
<b><u>Charitable activities</u></b>					
Regional groups' spending	6	-	-	-	581
Prizes and sponsorship	6	94	-	94	344
Support and governance costs	7	64,470	-	64,470	61,719
Network expenses	6	217	-	217	1,441
Post-grad committee	6	-	-	-	663
<b>Total charitable expenditure</b>		<u>64,781</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>64,781</u>	<u>64,748</u>
<b>Total resources expended</b>		<u>64,781</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>64,781</u>	<u>64,748</u>
<b>Net income/(expenditure) for the year/ Net movement in funds</b>		<u>13,389</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13,389</u>	<u>(3,551)</u>
Fund balances at 1 January 2021		<u>140,761</u>	<u>5,144</u>	<u>145,905</u>	<u>149,456</u>
<b>Fund balances at 31 December 2021</b>		<u><u>154,150</u></u>	<u><u>5,144</u></u>	<u><u>159,294</u></u>	<u><u>145,905</u></u>

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

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## BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Notes	2021 £	£	2020 £	£
<b>Current assets</b>					
Debtors	11	310		503	
Cash at bank and in hand		163,011		146,047	
		<u>163,321</u>		<u>146,550</u>	
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	12	(4,027)		(645)	
<b>Net current assets</b>			<u>159,294</u>		<u>145,905</u>
<b>Income funds</b>					
Restricted funds			5,144		5,144
Unrestricted funds			154,150		140,761
			<u>159,294</u>		<u>145,905</u>

For the year ending 31 December 2021 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and for the preparation of accounts.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 14/07/22



Prof S Walklate  
Trustee

Company Registration No. 03515512

# BRITISH SOCIETY OF CRIMINOLOGY

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

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#### 1 Accounting policies

##### Company information

British Society of Criminology is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is PO Box 501, The Nexus Building, Broadway, Letchworth Garden City, Herts, SG6 9BL.

#### 1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Society's [governing document], the Companies Act 2006 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)". The Society is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The Society has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure has involved following the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102 rather than the version of the Statement of Recommended Practice which is referred to in the Regulations but which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the Society. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

#### 1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Society has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

#### 1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Designated funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the designated funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

#### 1.4 Incoming resources

Income is recognised when the Society is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the Society has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Conference income is recognised in the period which the conference takes place.

Membership subscriptions are recognised in the period to which the subscription relates,

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

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### 1 Accounting policies

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#### 1.5 Resources expended

Income and expenses are included in the financial statements as they become receivable or due.

Expenses include VAT where applicable as the company cannot reclaim it.

Resources expended are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis.

#### 1.6 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments.

#### 1.7 Financial instruments

The Society has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the Society's balance sheet when the Society becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

#### **Basic financial assets**

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

#### **Impairment of financial assets**

Financial assets, other than those held at fair value through income and expenditure, are assessed for indicators of impairment at each reporting date. Financial assets are impaired where there is objective evidence that, as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the financial asset, the estimated future cash flows have been affected.

If an asset is impaired, the impairment loss is the difference between the carrying amount and the present value of the estimated cash flows discounted at the asset's original effective interest rate. The impairment loss is recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year.

If there is a decrease in the impairment loss arising from an event occurring after the impairment was recognised, the impairment is reversed. The reversal is such that the current carrying amount does not exceed what the carrying amount would have been, had the impairment not previously been recognised. The impairment reversal is recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year.

#### **Derecognition of financial assets**

Financial assets are derecognised only when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire or are settled, or when the Society transfers the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to another entity, or if some significant risks and rewards of ownership are retained but control of the asset has transferred to another party that is able to sell the asset in its entirety to an unrelated third party.

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

#### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

##### **Basic financial liabilities**

Basic financial liabilities, including trade and other payables, accruals, are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade payables are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Accounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade payables are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

##### **Derecognition of financial liabilities**

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the Society's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

#### 1.8 Employee benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the Society is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

#### 1.9 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

#### 2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the Society's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

#### 3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2021	2020
	£	£
Donations and gifts	885	836
Job retention scheme grants	4,187	8,727
	<u>5,072</u>	<u>9,563</u>

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

### 4 Charitable activities

	Journals income £	Total £	Total 2020 £
SAGE journal and other royalty receipts	30,985	30,985	33,114
Amounts payable to SAGE for printing	(9,048)	(9,048)	(11,472)
Amounts payable to OUP for printing	(31,767)	(31,767)	(30,287)
Amounts payable to CCJ editing team	(6,000)	(6,000)	(10,000)
	<u>(15,830)</u>	<u>(15,830)</u>	<u>(18,645)</u>
Analysis by fund			
Unrestricted funds	<u>(15,830)</u>	<u>(15,830)</u>	<u>(18,645)</u>

### 5 Investment income

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Unrestricted funds 2020 £
Interest receivable	<u>669</u>	<u>875</u>



**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)**  
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# BRITISH SOCIETY OF CRIMINOLOGY

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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### 7 Support costs

	Support costs	Governance costs	2021	2020
	£	£	£	£
Staff, training and office costs	53,317	-	53,317	51,528
Travel expenses	-	-	-	593
Insurance	684	-	684	870
Printing, postage and stationery	401	-	401	686
Telephone and fax	335	-	335	168
Subscriptions	1,316	-	1,316	1,048
Sundry expenses	13	-	13	48
Accountancy	-	7,200	7,200	4,380
Legal and professional	-	840	840	2,112
Bank charges	-	364	364	286
	<u>56,066</u>	<u>8,404</u>	<u>64,470</u>	<u>61,719</u>

The vast majority of time and expenditure relates to the provision of services to the society's members. It is therefore reasonable to allocate all support costs and governance costs to that activity as shown in note 6.

### 8 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration during the year.

### 9 Employees

The average monthly number employees and consultants during the year was:

	2021	2020
	Number	Number
Administration	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>

The key management personnel of the charity comprise the trustees and the Executive Director. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £31,158 (2020: £31,751).

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was £60,000 or more.

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

10	Financial instruments	2021 £	2020 £	
	Carrying amount of financial assets			
	Debt instruments measured at amortised cost	163,011	146,047	
	Carrying amount of financial liabilities			
	Measured at amortised cost	4,027	645	
11	Debtors	2021 £	2020 £	
	Amounts falling due within one year:			
	Prepayments and accrued income	310	503	
12	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2021 £	2020 £	
	Accruals and deferred income	4,027	645	
13	Analysis of net assets between funds			
		Unrestricted funds £	Designated funds £	Total £
	Fund balances at 31 December 2021 are represented by:			
	Current assets/(liabilities)	154,150	5,144	159,294
		154,150	5,144	159,294

## 14 Related party transactions

No guarantees have been given or received.

During the year the Trustees received expenses amounting to £nil (2020: £570). These expenses were reimbursed to cover travel and subsistence costs to attend Executive Committee meetings and run the committees and networks.