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**THE VASCULAR SOCIETY
COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE
GROUP CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR
YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024**

Charity Number : 1102769



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TRUSTEES' REPORT

YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

Reference and administrative information

Charity Registration No: 1102769

Company Registration No: 5060866

Registered Office: 146 New London Road, Chelmsford, Essex CM2 0AW

Principal Office: c/o Executive Business Services, Davidson Road, Lichfield, Staffordshire, WS14 9DZ

Board of trustees:

Mr A Garnham resigned 29/11/24

Prof I Chetter

Mr S Selvakumar

Miss K Sritharan

Miss L Wales resigned 11/12/23

Mr M Brooks

Mr A McCleary

Mr A Pherwani resigned 11/12/23

Miss R Bell resigned 11/12/23

Mr P Coughlin

Mr D Orr resigned 29/11/24

Prof M Bowen

Mr A Egun

Mr I Hunter resigned 29/11/24

Mr N Bhasin

Mrs B Egan

Mrs S Vallabhaneni

Mr C McDonnell resigned 29/11/24

Mr M Baroni

Mr J McCaslin appointed 11/12/23

Mr C Bicknell appointed 11/12/23

Mr K Jones appointed 11/12/23

Mr P Lintott appointed 11/12/23

Mr J Ghosh appointed 29/11/24

Mr P Moxey appointed 29/11/24

Prof A Saratzis appointed 29/11/24

Mr A Thompson appointed 29/11/24

President Mr A Garnham to 29/11/24 Prof I Chetter from 29/11/24

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (continued)

YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

The trustees (who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act) present their annual report together with the unaudited group financial statements of The Vascular Society (the Society) for the year ended 30 June 2024.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Policies and objectives

The objects of the Society are to relieve sickness and to preserve, promote and protect the health of the public in Great Britain, Ireland and the world by;

Advancing, for the public benefit, the science and art of, and research into, the treatment of vascular disorders; and

Promoting or conducting or causing to be carried out or fund all types of research relevant to vascular disease and the dissemination of the results thereof.

The Society is the pre-eminent organisation in the country promoting vascular health by supporting and furthering excellence in education, training and scientific research.

The Society continues its commitment to improving the quality of vascular surgery in the UK, and, as a new separate surgical speciality continues to build on plans for a high-class training structure dedicated towards the needs of vascular trainees. The Society has developed a specific vascular curriculum and examination to support the training programme.

The Society's fundraising arm, the Circulation Foundation, has continued to raise awareness of vascular disease amongst the public and to provide information to patients. It continues to be able to offer a number of significant research grants to vascular trainees in order to further develop a high level of research into vascular disease.

Strategies for achieving objectives and delivery of public benefit

The Society has continued to develop and improve its education programme for surgeons in training and in addition has worked to improve the education of surgeons in non training posts who make an invaluable contribution to the care of vascular patients. The annual scientific meeting now encompasses parallel meetings for physiotherapists involved in the care of vascular patients (BACPAR) as well as the well established meetings of the Society of Vascular Nurses and Society of Vascular Technologists.

Research has focussed on clinical questions and quality improvement. In addition to the quality improvement project for patients with limb threatening ischaemia, two new projects developed with the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh and the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow are examining human factors and frailty respectively. Future projects will focus on priorities identified through the James Alliance Partnership and actioned through our special interest groups.

With the aim of disseminating research performed by vascular surgeons and allied health professions the Society has developed and published a new journal called The Journal of the Vascular Societies of Great Britain and Ireland.

The Society's trustees have complied with the duty in Section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to Public Benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The Annual Scientific Meeting was held in Dublin in November 2023. This was well supported by members and industry sponsors generating an unexpected small profit that will be used to fund our educational and research commitments. The meeting is run in parallel with the Society of Vascular Nurses, Society of Vascular Technologists and British Association of Chartered Physiotherapists in Limb Absence Rehabilitation, who also receive a share of the profits. In the past profit from the ASM has accounted for approximately 35% of our income, but due to the soaring costs of holding conferences and our reluctance to raise the registration fees profit has been much reduced. We have therefore taken the decision to increase the registration fees for 2024 although by an amount that is significantly less than inflation.

The Circulation Foundation (the fundraising arm of the Vascular Society) continued its Vascular Disease Awareness campaign in order to raise awareness, generate research funding, and to inform members of the public of vascular disease. This year the Circulation Foundation has again received a boost by personal donations and we continue to have a high proportion of the membership making an annual donation. We are also very grateful to individual fundraisers who have run, cycled and walked to raise money for the Circulation Foundation.

Our two largest financial commitments are funding of the Aspire series of courses for training junior vascular surgeons and funding of research fellows. 6 Aspire Courses were once again held in person requiring enormous commitment from local organisers. Largely due to the efforts of Paddy Coughlin, we were once again awarded a large grant from the Covid Recovery Fund of Health Education England that will go some way to offsetting the huge cost of these courses. Unfortunately this funding is unlikely to continue and in order to deliver the course without charge to our trainees other sources must be developed.

In recent years we have worked in partnership with The Royal College of Surgeons of England to fund two research fellows but unfortunately bids from vascular surgery trainees were unsuccessful this year. However we continue to have partnerships with the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh to work on a project on human factors and The Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow to work on a project on frailty. In general we have tried to encourage and fund projects that are both important to patients, and relevant to our clinical colleagues.

The Journal of the Vascular Societies of Great Britain and Ireland (JVSGBI) has proved to be very successful and while there were significant start up costs it is expected that the journal will break even this year. This journal provides a platform not just for local vascular surgeons, but also our colleagues in nursing, vascular technologists and physiotherapists. Success has only been possible due to the drive and determination of Prof Ian Chetter and Gail Ryan from EBS.

An additional large expense in the last year has been the redesign of the websites for both the Vascular Society and the Circulation Foundation (£56,000). This was essential as the previous websites has been designed many years ago and were no longer fit for purpose. The new websites should be of great value to members of the VS and the general public looking for information on vascular disease.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The charity's consolidated accounts show a net deficit for the financial year 1st July 2023 to 30th June 2024 of £121,736 (2023: surplus £102,158). This includes a surplus of £119,985 (2023: £30,686) from its trading company, VSGBI Ltd.

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We have received £90,000 from Health Education England to help fund catch up training as well as £30,000 from industry sponsors. The other main income sources for the Society are donations and subscriptions from members. Members' donations to the Circulation Foundation in the year have been allocated to funding the Circulation Foundation website. Details of our expenditure are set out in the attached accounts.

Grants totalling over £113,000 have been paid during the year, including £22,500 for the RCS Surgical Specialty Leads in Vascular Surgery.

Reserves policy

The Society operates with a written reserves policy which is revised annually. The Society has been fortunate to receive generous financial support from industry in previous years, but this is not guaranteed. The trustees are therefore mindful that the reserves need to remain high to support the Society in the absence of such funding in the future.

The trustees therefore established a reserves policy whereby unrestricted funds are sufficient to meet one year's activity of the Society, including the Circulation Foundation, to:

Support the costs of its audit and research programmes

Maintain the organisation of its Annual Scientific Meeting

Cover the day-to-day administrative infrastructure

Deal with unexpected demands on the charity funds

Cover or part cover unforeseen costs with future projects

To ensure the Society continues to meet its charitable objectives the desirable reserve for the above objectives has been calculated as £575,000. By improving the financial management of the charity and limiting its spending, the charity has been able to rebuild its reserves following the settlement of its pensions liability in 2016 and increase the number of Research Fellowships supported.

The financial statements show that the charitable group had free reserves within unrestricted funds of £915,456 at the year end (excludes fixed assets and designated funds) and restricted funds of £352,205. This will allow the charity to support further grants in the next year, avoid increasing membership fees and keep the reduced level of fees for registration at the ASM. Planned expenditure going forward includes a joint fellowship with BSIR of £40,000 per annum for two years and joint fellowships with the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow and Royal College of Surgeon of Edinburgh of £40,000 per annum each over two years. We have not renewed our partnerships with The Royal College of Surgeons of England this year.

Our journal business plan committed us to up to £60,000 over 3 years, and we are currently on track to break even by the end of this period. The Journal is available online at no cost and income is generated by industry sponsorship.

We have previously committed £30,000 to a joint aortic open fellowship. No progress has been made in establishing this fellowship with The Royal Brompton Hospital and the funding will be need to reviewed before the fellowship is established.

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Within restricted funds, we have unspent HEE funding related to the ASPIRE programme. This will allow courses to run for at least another year but in the medium to long term we hope to secure regular, reliable funding from industry partners.

Investment policy and performance

The Society's general investment policy is to aim for the highest possible return with minimum risk to the security of its fund which, typically, would be through the use of higher interest bank deposit accounts.

The Honorary Treasurer liaises directly with Rathbones, the investment manager, on the investment portfolio and when taking investment decisions on behalf of the charity. The investment portfolio has a significant bias towards fixed interest securities, either in conventional, index linked, UK or overseas. For equity, securities have been chosen which have, on the whole, international earnings with reasonable income yields.

The Honorary Treasurer regularly advises the trustees on the levels of the investment reserves held and this is collectively reviewed by the trustees annually.

The investment funds are to enable the Society to further its charitable aims and primarily to be used for future research grants. The funds have been set aside in order to gain the best financial return until the grants are awarded. Despite the global pandemic and profit warnings our investments have performed well. The performance of these investments is shown in notes 5 and 13 to the financial statements.

The charitable group's investments at 30 June 2024 were valued at £495,757 with a further £24,040 held as cash deposits.

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

Future developments

Going forward Council and the Research Committee will be continuing to support special interest groups to look at areas of research priority using income from the Circulation Foundation.

The Society will continue its scientific role through its Annual Scientific Meeting in November 2024 and aims to enhance the educational objectives for its Members.

The Society will continue to support its affiliated organisations – the Society of Vascular Nurses, the Society for Vascular Technology, BACPAR, and the Rouleaux Club.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Constitution

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, which was incorporated on 2 March 2004 and which registered as a charity on 22 March 2004. The organisation was dormant until it took over the activities of The Vascular Surgical Society of Great Britain and Ireland on 1 July 2004 and the British Vascular Foundation (BVF) – the fundraising arm of the Society – on 1 October 2004. The BVF changed its name to the Circulation Foundation in May 2006, which is currently an operating division of The Vascular Society.

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The Society is constituted under a Memorandum of Association and is a registered charity (number 1102769).

The charity has a wholly owned trading subsidiary which is incorporated in the United Kingdom, VSGBI Limited (registered number 04020415), and is principally engaged in the operation of the Annual Scientific Meeting for The Vascular Society.

Method of appointment or election of trustees

The trustees are elected by a ballot of the Ordinary Members of the Society following a call for nominations sent to the Ordinary Members. Nominees have to be a current Ordinary Member and proposed and seconded by current Ordinary Members.

The President has previously been elected by the voting trustees (Council members) but after discussion at the ASM and then a postal vote among the Ordinary Members, it was decided that the President should be elected by the Ordinary Members. The first election under the new rules will take place in November 2023. Nominations are proposed following consideration of a long list of Ordinary Members who have been Members of the Society for 15 years or more and have previously sat on Council. The successful candidate takes office as Vice-President Elect at the AGM following his/her election, and assumes the role of President two years following his/her appointment.

The other Honorary Officers of the Society – Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer, Chairman, Training and Education Committee and Chairman of Audit and Research Committee are elected by the trustees following a call for nominations. Eligible candidates should have previously served on the Council and are elected following a presentation to Council. The Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer and Chairmen of the Committees assume their positions one year prior to taking office as part of their training for the role. These posts are four years in duration.

Policies adopted for the induction and training of trustees

All new trustees are asked to sign a statement of eligibility and are sent the following:

The Memorandum and Articles of Association of The Vascular Society;

The minutes of Council meetings for the previous year;

Terms of reference for Council and its Committees;

List of current trustees and contact details;

Annual list of dates of trustee meetings;

Guidance on expenses allowance;

The most recent Charity accounts;

A copy of the Charity Commission publication 'The Essential Trustee – What you need to know';

Companies House booklet Directors and Secretaries Guide.

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Organisational structure and decision making

There are four trustee (Council) meetings a year at which operational and financial matters of the Society are discussed, and strategic decisions about the direction of the charity are taken. An Executive Committee is also held four times a year prior to Council meetings. In addition, the Society's committees – Education, Audit and QI, Research and Circulation Foundation – meet three times a year, and the Professional Standards Committee meets once a year when required, undertaking the majority of its workload by e-mail and telephone. In between meetings, decisions are made by telephone or e-mail communication between the Honorary Officers and other trustees. Day to day issues are dealt with by an administrator within Executive Business Services, our external management company who co-ordinates all major decisions of the Honorary Officers.

Risk Management

The trustees regularly review the major risks to which the Society is exposed and systems have been established to mitigate those risks. A risk register is maintained by the trustees and is reviewed annually. 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 for authorisation 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 will still meet the needs of the charity.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in notes to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 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.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to the small companies exemption.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 19 March 2025 and signed on their behalf by:

Alistair McCleary
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Mr A McCleary

Trustee

**THE VASCULAR SOCIETY
COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES
YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Vascular Society ('the Company') for the year ended 30 June 2024 which are set out on pages 9 to 24. I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Group comprising the Company and its subsidiary undertaking, VSGBI Limited, for the year ended 30 June 2024 which are set out on pages 9 to 24.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purpose of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the consolidated accounts of the Group in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Charities Act') and the Companies Act 2006 ('the Companies Act') and you have chosen to prepare consolidated accounts for the Group. You are satisfied that the accounts of both the Company and the Group are not required by company law to be audited and have chosen instead to have an independent examination. Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the Companies Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your company's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act. Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the Companies Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the consolidated accounts. I have carried out my examination under section 145 of the Charities Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since the Company's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the Charities Act. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants. 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:

- i. accounting records with respect to the Company and its subsidiary were not kept as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- ii. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- iii. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 or the Companies 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
- iv. the accounts 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 (FRS102).

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 accounts to be reached.

Alex Stone
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Alex Stone FCCA

Edmund Carr LLP
146 New London Road
Chelmsford, CM2 0AW

Date: 20 March 2025

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**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCLUDING INCOME
AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)**

YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total	Total
		2024	2024	2024	2023
	Note	£	£	£	£
Income from:					
Donations and legacies	2	23,383	161,741	185,124	267,009
Charitable activities	3	736,342	-	736,342	509,514
Raising funds	4	1,878	-	1,878	1,968
Investments	5	34,269	-	34,269	18,743
Total income		795,872	161,741	957,613	797,234
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	7	2,662	-	2,662	5,822
Charitable expenditure	8	918,856	191,189	1,110,045	687,514
Total expenditure		921,518	191,189	1,112,707	693,336
Gains/(losses) on investments	13	33,358	-	33,358	(1,740)
Net income/net movement in funds		(92,288)	(29,448)	(121,736)	102,158
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		1,037,884	381,653	1,419,537	1,317,379
Total funds carried forward		945,596	352,205	1,297,801	1,419,537

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.
All incoming resources and resources expended, derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 13 to 24 form part of these financial statements.

**THE VASCULAR SOCIETY
COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 30 JUNE 2024**

		£	2024 £	£	2023 £
	Note				
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	12		46,412		3,689
Investments	13		495,757		441,470
			<u>542,169</u>		<u>445,159</u>
Current assets					
Stock	14	1,000		1,000	
Debtors	15	237,057		267,079	
Cash at bank and in hand		813,431		866,396	
		<u>1,051,488</u>		<u>1,134,475</u>	
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	16	<u>(295,856)</u>		<u>(160,097)</u>	
Net current assets			755,632		974,378
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>1,297,801</u>		<u>1,419,537</u>
Net assets			<u><u>1,297,801</u></u>		<u><u>1,419,537</u></u>
Funds of the group					
Restricted income funds	18		352,205		381,653
Unrestricted funds	17		945,596		1,037,884
Total group funds			<u><u>1,297,801</u></u>		<u><u>1,419,537</u></u>

For the year ended 30 June 2024 the company was entitled to exemption under section 477 of the Companies Act relating to small companies.

No members have required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibility 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 and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102).

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 19 March 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

Alistair McCleary

Mr A McCleary

Trustee

Company No. 05060866

The notes on pages 13 to 24 form part of these financial statements.

**THE VASCULAR SOCIETY
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CHARITY BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 30 JUNE 2024**

		2024		2023	
		£	£	£	£
	Note				
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	12		46,412		3,689
Investments	13		495,758		441,471
			<u>542,170</u>		<u>445,160</u>
Current assets					
Stock	14	1,000		1,000	
Debtors	15	189,619		173,567	
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>536,426</u>		<u>848,516</u>	
		<u>727,045</u>		<u>1,023,083</u>	
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	16	<u>(91,400)</u>		<u>(79,393)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>635,645</u>		<u>943,690</u>
Net assets			<u><u>1,177,815</u></u>		<u><u>1,388,850</u></u>
Funds of the charity					
Unrestricted funds			825,610		1,007,197
Restricted income funds	18		352,205		381,653
Total charity funds			<u><u>1,177,815</u></u>		<u><u>1,388,850</u></u>

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

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The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 19 March 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

Alistair McCleary

Mr A McCleary

Trustee

Company No. 05060866

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**THE VASCULAR SOCIETY
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GROUP AND CHARITY CASHFLOW STATEMENTS
AS AT 30 JUNE 2024**

	Group		Charity	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
Cash flows from operating activities:				
Net movement in funds	(121,736)	102,158	(211,035)	117,404
<i>Adjustments for:</i>				
Depreciation charges	13,235	1,667	13,235	1,667
(Gains)/losses on investments	(33,358)	1,740	(33,358)	1,740
(Gains)/losses on disposal of fixed assets	1,882	-	1,882	-
Investment income	(34,269)	(18,743)	(34,269)	(18,743)
Decrease / (increase) in stock	-	1,500	-	1,500
Decrease / (increase) in debtors	30,022	52,556	(16,052)	42,060
Increase / (decrease) in creditors	135,759	(36,186)	12,007	(30,828)
Cash provided by / (used in) operating activities	(8,465)	104,692	(267,590)	114,800
Cash flows from investing activities:				
Investment income	34,269	18,743	34,269	18,743
Proceeds from sale of investments	69,938	65,283	69,938	65,283
Purchase of investments	(90,867)	(75,413)	(90,867)	(75,413)
Purchase of fixed assets	(57,840)	-	(57,840)	-
Cash provided by investing activities	(44,500)	8,613	(44,500)	8,613
Increase / (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents in the year	(52,965)	113,305	(312,090)	123,413
Cash and cash equivalents at start of year	866,396	753,091	848,516	725,103
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	813,431	866,396	536,426	848,516

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**THE VASCULAR SOCIETY
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NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), 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 (effective 1 January 2019) (Charities SORP FRS102) and the Companies Act 2006.

The Vascular Society is a company limited by guarantee and meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Group financial statements

The financial statements consolidate the results of the charity and its wholly owned subsidiary VSGBI Limited. A separate Statement of Financial Activities and income and expenditure account for the charity has not been prepared because the company has taken advantage of the exemption afforded by section 408 of the Companies Act 2006.

The charitable company made a deficit in the financial year of £211,035 (2023 - surplus of £117,404). Inter-company transactions and balances between the charity and its subsidiary are eliminated in full.

Going Concern

The Trustees are of the opinion that the group has sufficient resources to continue trading for the next 12 months from the date of signing these accounts.

Legal Status

The charitable company is a company limited by guarantee and has no share capital. It is incorporated in England and Wales and its registered address is 146 New London Road, Chelmsford, Essex, CM2 0AW.

Income

Donations and legacies

All monetary donations and gifts are included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable, provided that there are no donor-imposed restrictions as to the timing of the related expenditure, in which case recognition is deferred until the pre-condition has been met.

Donations under Gift Aid, together with associated income tax recoveries, are credited as income when donations are receivable.

Legacies are included when the charity is advised by the personal representative of an estate that payment will be made, if the receipt is both certain and measurable. These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Grants receivable

Revenue grants are credited as incoming resources when they are receivable, provided conditions for receipt have been complied with, unless they relate to a specified future period, in which case they are deferred.

Investment income

Investment income, including associated income tax recoveries, is recognised when receivable.

Expenditure

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been included under expense categories that aggregate all costs for allocation to activities. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular activities they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of the resources.

Governance costs are those incurred in connection with administration of the charity and compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements.

Grants payable are charged in the year when the offer is made except in those cases where the offer is subject to conditions that enable the charity to realistically avoid the commitment, such grants being recognised as expenditure when the conditions attached are fulfilled.

Tax status

The company is a registered charity and is not subject to corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due.

Creditors

Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors are normally recognised at their settlement amount.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Fixed assets are shown at original cost or, if donated, at their value on the date of the gift, less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off their cost or value, less their estimated residual value over their estimated useful lives on the following basis

Office equipment - 15% reducing balance

Computer equipment - 20% straight line

Computer software - 20% straight line

Investments

Investments in subsidiaries held as fixed assets are stated at cost less provision for any permanent diminution in value.

Other investments held as fixed assets are stated at market value at the year end. Gains and losses on disposal and revaluation of investments are charged or credited to the SOFA.

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value after making due allowance for obsolete and slow-moving stocks.

Fund accounting

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and the use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds that the trustees have set aside for a particular purpose.

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

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2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Donations and gift aid	23,383	17,958	41,341	68,429
Grants	-	143,783	143,783	187,408
Legacies	-	-	-	11,172
	<u>23,383</u>	<u>161,741</u>	<u>185,124</u>	<u>267,009</u>
2023	65,101	201,908	267,009	

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Members' subscriptions	123,170	-	123,170	110,040
Advertising income (JVSGBI)	15,000	-	15,000	4,250
Annual Scientific Meeting	598,172	-	598,172	395,224
	<u>736,342</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>736,342</u>	<u>509,514</u>
2023	509,514	-	509,514	

4. INCOME FROM RAISING FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Events	1,230	-	1,230	1,110
Other	648	-	648	858
	<u>1,878</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,878</u>	<u>1,968</u>
2023	1,968	-	1,968	

5. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Interest - Bank interest	21,542	-	21,542	7,136
Interest - Fixed interest securities	1,909	-	1,909	980
Dividends	10,818	-	10,818	10,627
	<u>34,269</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>34,269</u>	<u>18,743</u>
2023	18,743	-	18,743	

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6. RESULTS OF RELATED ENTITIES

The charity has a wholly owned trading subsidiary which is incorporated in the United Kingdom.

VSGBI Limited (registered number 04020415) is principally engaged in the operation of the Annual Scientific Meeting for The Vascular Society. Its registered address is 146 New London Road, Chelmsford, Essex, CM2 0AW.

VSGBI Limited pays all taxable profits for the reporting period to its parent charity under the gift aid scheme. The payments are now recognised in the period in which they are paid.

The profit and loss account for the year ended 30 June 2024 is as follows:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Turnover	277,626	395,224
Cost of Sales	(150,002)	(324,951)
Operating profit	127,624	70,273
Administrative expenses	(7,640)	(39,588)
Amount gift aided to The Vascular Society	(30,685)	(45,931)
Retained in VSGBI Limited	89,299	(15,246)

The assets and liabilities of VSGBI Limited at 30 June 2024 were:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Current assets	436,124	271,156
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(316,139)	(240,470)
Total net assets	119,985	30,686
Aggregate share of capital and reserves	119,985	30,686

7. COSTS OF RAISING FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
Marathon	2,662	-	2,662	830
Other fundraising	-	-	-	4,992
	2,662	-	2,662	5,822
2023	5,822	-	5,822	

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8. COST OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
Grants payable (note 9)	58,116	40,618	98,734	10,000
Prizes	8,348	-	8,348	20,286
Other research and education costs	20	148,958	148,978	106,120
Annual Scientific Conference	550,971	-	550,971	360,939
<i>Support costs:</i>				
Administration and Committee costs	226,698	-	226,698	130,791
Stationery, printing, postage	2,828	-	2,828	1,598
Computer support costs	14,519	-	14,519	11,729
Depreciation of fixed assets	11,622	1,613	13,235	1,667
Advertising and marketing	8,713	-	8,713	5,651
General expenses	9,660	-	9,660	4,022
Journal costs (JVSGBI)	19,888	-	19,888	25,180
Governance costs (note 10)	7,473	-	7,473	9,531
	<u>918,856</u>	<u>191,189</u>	<u>1,110,045</u>	<u>687,514</u>
2023	578,818	108,696	687,514	

9. GRANTS PAYABLE

	Number	Total 2024 £	Number	Total 2023 £
Research Fellowships and awards	1	120,434	1	10,000
Grants released	-	(21,700)	-	-
	<u>1</u>	<u>98,734</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>10,000</u>

Research Fellowships are awarded to fund research into vascular health, surgery and therapies and are generally paid to the institution where the research is carried out.

10. GOVERNANCE COSTS

	2024 £	2023 £
Independent examination fee	1,235	1,235
Accounts preparation and other accountancy services	5,893	7,921
Fees payable to independent examiner	7,128	9,156
Legal & professional fees	345	375
	<u>7,473</u>	<u>9,531</u>

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11. STAFF & TRUSTEE COSTS

There were no employees during the year as all administrative functions have been subcontracted.

No Trustee, or person with a family or business connection with a Trustee, received remuneration in the year, directly or indirectly, from either the charity or the company controlled by the charity.

A total of £5,541 (2023 - £8,959) was paid to 16 (2023 - 13) trustees during the year to reimburse travel, accommodation and other expenses incurred in the course of carrying out The Vascular Society's activities.

12. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Computer equipment £	Computer software £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 July 2023	2,353	49,684	52,037
Additions	-	57,840	57,840
Disposals	-	(8,064)	(8,064)
At 30 June 2024	2,353	99,460	101,813
Depreciation			
At 1 July 2023	2,159	46,189	48,348
Charge for year	54	13,181	13,235
On disposals	-	(6,182)	(6,182)
At 30 June 2024	2,213	53,188	55,401
Net book value			
At 30 June 2024	140	46,272	46,412
At 30 June 2023	194	3,495	3,689

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13. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Group 2024 Total £	Group 2023 Total £
Market value at 1 July 2023	441,470	433,080
Additions at cost	90,867	75,413
Disposal proceeds	(69,938)	(65,283)
Gain/(loss) on revaluation of investments	33,358	(1,740)
Market value at 30 June 2024	<u>495,757</u>	<u>441,470</u>
Historical cost at 30 June 2024	<u>431,650</u>	<u>431,650</u>

All investments were held in the UK on a recognised stock exchange.

The Charity	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
As above	495,757	441,470
Investment in subsidiary company (see note 6)	1	1
	<u>495,758</u>	<u>441,471</u>

Name	Class of shares held	Proportion held	Share capital at 30/06/2024 £
VSGBI Limited	Ordinary	100%	<u>1</u>

14. STOCK

	Group 2024 £	Group 2023 £	Charity 2024 £	Charity 2023 £
Goods for resale	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>

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15. DEBTORS

	Group 2024	Group 2023	Charity 2024	Charity 2023
	£	£	£	£
Trade debtors	155,497	120,619	12,192	13,500
Other debtors	300	300	300	300
Amounts owed by VSGBI Limited	-	-	111,683	159,767
Prepayments and accrued income	81,260	146,160	65,444	-
	<u>237,057</u>	<u>267,079</u>	<u>189,619</u>	<u>173,567</u>

16. CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year

	Group 2024	Group 2023	Charity 2024	Charity 2023
	£	£	£	£
Accruals for grants payable	10,000	21,699	10,000	21,699
Trade creditors	68,413	38,125	64,231	38,125
Accruals and deferred income	161,470	75,388	4,500	5,400
VAT payable	43,304	10,716	-	-
Other creditors	12,669	14,169	12,669	14,169
	<u>295,856</u>	<u>160,097</u>	<u>91,400</u>	<u>79,393</u>

Included in Group deferred income is £153,240 (2023 - £51,325) in respect of delegate and exhibitor fees received prior to the year end for the Annual Scientific Meeting held in the following November.

17. UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

Group	Movement in funds				
	Balance at 01/07/2023	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Inv gains/ Transfers	Balance at 30/06/2024
	£	£	£	£	£
Designated funds					
Aortic Fellowship	30,000	-	-	-	30,000
Website development	75,000	-	(57,840)	(17,160)	-
General unrestricted funds	932,884	795,872	(863,678)	50,518	915,596
	<u>1,037,884</u>	<u>795,872</u>	<u>(921,518)</u>	<u>33,358</u>	<u>945,596</u>

The trustees designated £30,000 towards an Aortic Fellowship.

The trustees designated £75,000 towards the redesign of the The Vascular Society and Circulation Foundation websites.

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18. RESTRICTED FUNDS

Group and Company	Movement in funds				Balance at 30/06/2024 £
	Balance at 01/07/2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	
a) Cook Foundation	37,423	-	(1,613)	-	35,810
b) Owen Shaw Legacy	1,839	-	-	-	1,839
c) Claudication Project	208	-	-	-	208
d) George Slaney Fund	1,635	-	-	-	1,635
e) Aspire programme	297,928	121,123	(148,958)	-	270,093
f) Educational Fund	2,640	-	-	-	2,640
g) Members' donations 2018	3,830	-	-	-	3,830
h) Members' donations 2019-2020	36,150	-	-	-	36,150
i) Members' donations 2024	-	40,618	(40,618)	-	-
	<u>381,653</u>	<u>161,741</u>	<u>(191,189)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>352,205</u>

- a) Funding to provide a Fellowship training programme and educational services in either vascular surgery or interventional radiology.
- b) Additional funding to support the use of outcome measures in output amputee rehabilitation in the UK.
- c) A project to examine patient engagement in claudication exercise programmes has been funded by donations from the Garfield Weston and James Tudor Foundations.
- d) A donation from George Slaney to fund exams and medals.
- e) Funds received from Health Education England and sponsors to be used for training of doctors who are returning to training after time out of the program and to generate the national ASPIRE programme.
- f) This funding was received from La Maitre Vascular and is it be used for educational activities.
- g) These members' donations are being used to support the James Lind Alliance.
- h) These are donations given to The Vascular Society by its members to support special interest research groups.
- i) These members' donations were used to contribute towards the research fellow grants.

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18. RESTRICTED FUNDS - PRIOR YEAR

<i>Group and Company</i>	<i>Movement in funds</i>				<i>Balance at 30/06/2023</i>
	<i>Balance at 01/07/2022</i>	<i>Incoming resources</i>	<i>Resources expended</i>	<i>Transfers</i>	
	£	£	£	£	£
a) Cook Foundation	39,036	-	(1,613)	-	37,423
b) Owen Shaw Legacy	1,839	-	-	-	1,839
c) Claudication Project	208	-	-	-	208
d) George Slaney Fund	1,635	-	-	-	1,635
e) Aspire programme	203,103	187,408	(92,583)	-	297,928
f) Educational Fund	2,640	-	-	-	2,640
g) Members' donations 2018	3,830	-	-	-	3,830
h) Members' donations 2019-2020	36,150	-	-	-	36,150
i) Members' donations 2021-2023	-	14,500	(14,500)	-	-
	<u>288,441</u>	<u>201,908</u>	<u>(108,696)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>381,653</u>

- a) Funding to provide a Fellowship training programme and educational services in either vascular surgery or interventional radiology.
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19. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2024 Total £
The Group				
Tangible fixed assets	140	-	46,272	46,412
Investments	495,757	-	-	495,757
Other net assets	419,699	30,000	305,933	755,632
	<u>915,596</u>	<u>30,000</u>	<u>352,205</u>	<u>1,297,801</u>
The Charity				
Tangible fixed assets	140	-	46,272	46,412
Investments	495,758	-	-	495,758
Other net assets	299,712	30,000	305,933	635,645
	<u>795,610</u>	<u>30,000</u>	<u>352,205</u>	<u>1,177,815</u>
Prior Year				
	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2023 Total £
The Group				
Tangible fixed assets	194	-	3,495	3,689
Investments	441,470	-	-	441,470
Other net assets	491,220	105,000	378,158	974,378
	<u>932,884</u>	<u>105,000</u>	<u>381,653</u>	<u>1,419,537</u>
The Charity				
Tangible fixed assets	194	-	3,495	3,689
Investments	441,471	-	-	441,471
Other net assets	460,532	105,000	378,158	943,690
	<u>902,197</u>	<u>105,000</u>	<u>381,653</u>	<u>1,388,850</u>

20. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The charity has taken advantage of the exemption available under FRS102 not to disclose transactions entered into between members of the group.

There are no other related party transactions to be disclosed.

21. COMPANY STATUS

The charity is a company limited by guarantee. The members of the company are the trustees. In the event of the charity being wound up, each member guarantees the maximum sum of £1.