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Charity number: 1129969



AIR LEAGUE TRUST
(A company limited by guarantee)

**Trustees' Report and Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 December 2021**

Group Consolidated Accounts

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Patron:	HRH The Prince Philip Duke of Edinburgh KG KT (deceased 09 April 2021)
President:	Sir Christopher Harper KBE MA CMGR CCMI MIOD RAF
Trustees:	<p>The Board of Trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year were:</p> <p>Mr J B Steel KC FRAeS (Chairman) Mr G R Hodge (Hon. Treasurer) Mr S J Gervais (Resigned 30 April 2021) Mr S A Pendry (Resigned 1 July 2021) Mr N C Whitney FRAeS Mr J Greaves FRAeS Ms C MacAleese FRAeS Mr A J Seymour FRAeS (Resigned 12 April 2021) Ms Z M Layden FRAeS Air Cdre Anthony Keeling OBE RAF Ms A T Bernie (Appointed 08 February 2022) Mr R F S Baker (Appointed 23 June 2022)</p>
Company Secretary:	Nicholas West Esq (Resigned 09 April 2021)
Management:	Nicholas West Esq (until 31 March 2021), Chief Executive Officer Caroline Smith, Chief Operating Officer
Charity number:	1129969
Company number:	06794828
Principal Office:	3 Whitehall Court London, SW1A 2EL
Bankers:	NatWest Bank Western Avenue Chatham, Kent, ME4 4RT
Accountants:	Charity Accounting Services Limited Suite 109, Sutton Point 6 Sutton Plaza, Sutton London SM1 4FS
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TRUSTEES REPORT for the year ended 31 December 2021

The Trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2021. The Trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "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) (effective November 2019).

The Trustees' report is also a directors' report as required by company law.

INTRODUCTION AND HISTORY

The Air League of the British Empire was founded in 1909 with the aim of encouraging airmindedness in the young people of Britain as well as ensuring the nation appreciated the vital importance of air superiority during the early years of aviation in the UK. In 1938 the Air League created the Air Defence Cadet Corps, the forerunner to what is now known as the RAF Air Cadets.

The Air League achieved charitable status with the creation of the Air League Educational Trust in 1969. On the 18th of January 2012, the name of the Air League Educational Trust was amended to the Air League Trust and the change was filed with Companies House and the Charity Commission.

The Air League continues as a membership organisation and is now constituted as an incorporated charity (Air League Trust Ltd) with a trading subsidiary (Air League Enterprises Ltd).

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing Document

The charity is constituted as a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006. The Trust's governing document is its memorandum and articles of association.

Trustees have complied with their duty in section 11 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to guidance published by the Charity Commission. Trustees are also mindful of the Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The Trustees, who are the directors of the company for the purposes of company law, are recruited with regard to their respective areas of knowledge, skills and experience.

Induction and training of new trustees

There is a pre-appointment briefing and a trustee induction process for new trustees. Ongoing training is made available to trustees as required.

Newly appointed trustees undergo a familiarisation period. However, due to pandemic restrictions the opportunities for trustees to visit Air League Training delivery projects and programmes was not possible. Briefings are given on the governing documents, legal obligations under charity law, the financial and administrative position of the charity and the legal and practical constraints under which it operates. New trustees also meet with colleagues on the Board, principal professional advisors, and key staff in an informal setting.

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Register of Interests

A register of Trustees' interests is maintained. Trustees are required to declare an interest, pecuniary or otherwise, in any matter being considered by the Board, and this is recorded in the meeting minutes.

Organisational Structure

The Air League is governed by a Board of Trustees chaired by Mr John Steel KC. The Charities Act 2011 requires Trustees to exercise proper stewardship and governance over the Air League.

The Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Nick West (left his post 31 March 2021), held responsibility for the day-to-day management of the Air League, supported by a small core team based in the London office and specialist contractors delivering the learning and practical elements of our outreach programmes. Following the departure of Nick West, Ms Caroline Smith continued in the role of Chief Operating Officer pending the recruitment and appointment of a permanent appointee; this lasted until the end of the reporting period.

The Board of Trustees have extensive experience across aviation, aerospace, and space, including former and current pilots in civilian and military aviation as well as representatives from the air cadets, industry, and associated sectors. The trustees are led by the Chairman, John Steel KC, with additional support from the President Sir Christopher Harper KBE.

The Trustees met monthly during 2021 to agree the revised business plan (considering the continuing pandemic) and to approve areas of activity for the charity in line with its objects, including awarding scholarships, investments and reserves strategy, risk management policies and performance.

Charitable Fundraising

The Air League Trust is a registered member of the Fundraising Regulator and a member of the Institute of Fundraising. It works to the Fundraising Code set out by the regulator and is a signatory to their Code of Practice. During 2021 the Air League employed an in-house Development Director and fundraiser to raise funds to support its core work, as well as major programmes and projects, including Soaring to Success and Project Slingshot.

Related Parties

Whilst the charity has important working relationships with other charities in the aviation sector and may receive grants for specific purposes from time to time, neither they nor any other agencies are deemed to be related parties.

Risk Management

The Trust's internal control system is designed to manage risk to a reasonable level, rather than remove all risk. In managing risk, the opportunities, and risks in achieving the Air League's strategic objectives are identified, the likelihood of those risks being realised is evaluated, the impact should they be realised is considered with the controls in place to manage and mitigate them effectively. The CEO (or COO) held overall responsibility for the strategic risk register employing best practice

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to ensure continuous monitoring for potential risk exposure and implementing any remedial actions, thereby enabling risk reduction. Internal policies and operations were adapted to changing circumstances and new regulations, accordingly when potential risks might be identified they could immediately be conveyed to the Trustees via the CEO/COO and staff.

The Trustees are satisfied that adequate systems are in place to mitigate exposure to major risks.

Personal Data

The Air League complies with GDPR and the Fundraising Regulators guidance on data protection, privacy, and storage of personal data.

The Air League has not identified any personal data related incidents during 2021.

COVID-19 Pandemic

A COVID-19 strategy and plan were continued into 2021, which led to reduced programme and project delivery.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The objects of the Air League are to advance education in aviation and to promote vocational training in the aviation and aerospace industries. To further these objects the charity raises funds in accordance with relevant statutory regulations.

Vision

Changing lives through aviation.

Mission

Inspiring young people by awarding scholarships and work opportunities through aviation.

Activities

The Air League inspires, enables, and supports the next generation of aviation and aerospace professionals from all backgrounds. By bridging the gap between education and industry the Air League impacts communities across the United Kingdom.

Through its programmes and projects, the Air League increases social mobility, breaks down the perceived barriers and acts as a catalyst to spark the inspiration and realisation that opportunities and possibilities are accessible to anyone.

Each year thousands of individuals around the UK benefit from Air League support, including disadvantaged young people, and wounded and injured servicemen and women. Equally important is ensuring the next generation of aviation and aerospace leaders are at the forefront of developing greener and more sustainable technologies.

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The Air League also supports the UK's aviation and aerospace industries through parliamentary and industry events which articulate the advanced technologies and crucial industry skills the next generation will require, which is vital to the economic success of the UK. The Air League's annual programme of events and lectures provide members with insight across a broad spectrum of subjects and a unique networking opportunity.

The Trustees confirm they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Trust's aims and objectives. These are taken fully into account when planning future activities and setting the grant making policy for the year.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

During the year the Board has considered the guidance from the Charity Commission and Section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 in connection with the duty to meet and report on the public benefit in exercising their powers or duties and has had regard to that guidance in preparing this report.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Soaring to Success

This was a challenging year for programme delivery as the Trust navigated lockdown and the lifting of restrictions. This impacted schools' ability to participate more significantly than expected so initial dates and plans had to be rearranged several times during the year to accommodate Covid-19 restrictions.

The programme that had begun in 2019, was developed during 2020 with the support of the Department for Transport forming part of its "Reach for the Sky Programme". In 2021 the Air League planned to deliver the programme across the South East, North East and West Midlands. However, the delivery of Air Experience Days was challenging due to inclement weather and Covid-19 restrictions. Many of the planned activities were cancelled because of the latter restrictions.

The programme was developed to continue to offer e-learning modules (via YouTube hosted training content) and Air Experience Days; a virtual 3-day work experience programme was included for 30 students.

The availability of e-learning modules was circulated via email and literature to some 250 schools for Key Stage 3 & 4 students across the South East, North East, and West Midlands with modules from BAE Systems, Boeing, British Airways, the Air League, Civil Aviation Authority, and Eagle Eye Innovations. Four LEs and Council Career and Enterprise Hubs were engaged from the regions.

A competition was run in partnership with Southend-on-Sea Borough Council (as part of the selection process for the Air Experience Days). This aimed to attract young people who were disengaged from education (including those from the YMCA, Adult Community Colleges, and SAVS); some 123 students were selected to participate in Air Experience days (23 in 2020 and the remainder in 2021).

Air Experience Days were delivered in person between May and October at BGA gliding clubs and

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flying schools. During this period, the Air League flew 296 young people in full time education and apprentices from disadvantaged socio-economic groups, with several the latter drawn from the 'pupil premium' grouping. Learning modules were made available on the aviation and aerospace industry, focusing on career insights and opportunities.

A 3-day virtual work experience was delivered in partnership with British Airways, during the April Easter holidays, for 30 participants. This provided engagement for the participants with individuals from the British Airways departments of: Operations, Branding and Communication, Sustainability, Flight Operations, and Emerging Talent.

2021 Soaring to Success Air Experience Days Summary

Air Experiences	Dates	Location	Region
43	10-14 th May	Cambridge Gliding Club	South East
28	17-21 st May	Yorkshire Gliding Club	North East
67	7 th – 11 th June	Cambridge Gliding Club	South East
38	14, 17 & 18 th June	Yorkshire Gliding Club	North East
15	15 th July	Yorkshire Gliding Club	North East
5 (Gliding to Solo)	19 th – 23 rd July	London Gliding Club	South East
30	2 nd & 3 rd September	Elstree Aerodrome	South East
60	12 th - 17 th September	The Gliding Centre	West Midlands
10	15 th October	The Gliding Centre	West Midlands

Project Slingshot – The National Youth Plane Building Programme

Project Slingshot is an ambitious joint venture supported by government and industry to deliver a fleet of UK wide training aircraft that will allow future generations to gain real-world engineering experiences, further their STEM studies, and explore the incredible opportunities and career pathways available to them within aviation and aerospace.

Consortium partners include the MTC's Advanced Manufacturing Training Centre, Aston University Engineering Academy and RAF Cosford.

Slingshot One, the pilot aircraft build of the programme is currently being assembled across two sites in the Midlands and is funded by the Department for Transport and Boeing UK. Covid-19 restrictions in 2021 severely delayed progress of the project which has continued into 2022.

Supporting our Veterans - Battle Back

For over a decade the Air League has offered powered flying and gliding scholarships to wounded and injured servicemen and women, supported by Boeing UK.

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The programmes are designed for members of the British Forces returning from active service who have either physical or psychological disabilities and injuries. They are designed to be workforce transition, recovery, and rehabilitation programmes. 9 Battle Back scholarships were awarded in 2021, flown from Upavon Airfield in Wiltshire

Scholarships and Bursaries

The Air League's 2021 Scholarships and Bursaries Programme was launched in May, with over 400 combined applications. 83 scholarships and bursaries were awarded in total, including seven Prince Philip Flying Scholarship awards to current or past members of the Air Training Corps to commemorate the seven decades of Patronage the Duke of Edinburgh bestowed to the Air League.

Flying Scholarships

40 flying scholarships were awarded comprising of both 5- and 12-hour awards to provide powered flight training towards the award of a Private Pilot's Licence (A).

Flying Bursaries

20 flying bursaries were awarded to provide 3-5 hours of advanced flight training in single-engine piston aeroplanes to assist licensed pilots to gain additional flying qualifications or renew a rating.

Gliding Scholarships

12 gliding scholarships were awarded to provide younger pilots with an opportunity to either achieve their first solo or widen their gliding experience. Awards are available covering basic solo courses, aerobatic, cross-country and SLMG conversion training.

Engineering Scholarships

9 engineering scholarships were awarded to provide industry placements for one or two weeks for young people considering careers across the full spectrum of available career options within engineering. Due to covid related restrictions and delays delivery is planned during 2022.

Drone Scholarships

2 drone scholarships were awarded to provide an advanced General Visual Line of Sight Certificate and a A2 Certificate of Competency. These courses took place in October 2021 and were supported and run by Eagle Eye Innovations Ltd at their RUSTA training facility in Lincoln.

Inspired Engineering Programme

The planned delivery for this programme was postponed until 2022.

Honours and Awards

For over a century the Air league has presented honours and awards to individuals and organisations who have made an outstanding contribution to aviation, aerospace, and space in the United Kingdom.

After a hiatus in 2020 due to the pandemic, 2021 allowed the reintroduction of the honours and awards. The following were presented at the Annual Reception on the 8th of September 2021:

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Companionship

Yvonne Pope Sintes

The Scott-Farnie Medal

David Pitchforth

The Jeffrey Quill Medal

Air Commodore Dawn McCafferty CBE

The Marshall of Cambridge Medal

Bridget Donaldson

President's Meritorious Service Award

Sir Roger Bone KCMG

The Billy Deacon Search and Rescue Memorial Trophy

Philip Wrenn

Framed Addresses

Martin Aston and James McMicking

ZeroAvia

Project Wingman

The Royal Air Force Chinook Force

Events

The Air League's Annual Reception was held in September for the first time in two years at the Terrace Pavilion, House of Commons, Palace of Westminster and welcomed 150 supporters and sponsors of the trust. Robert Courts MP, Aviation Minister gave the keynote address.

In November the Air League welcomed scholars from 2019, 2020 and 2021 for a Scholarship Awards Ceremony at the Royal Aeronautical Society. This was followed by the 2021 Sir Andrew Humphrey Memorial Lecture, delivered by John Holland-Kaye, Chief Executive Officer of Heathrow Airport.

PLANS FOR THE YEAR AHEAD

In the year ahead the Air League plans to further consolidate and link-up its separate programmes to enable clear pathways for beneficiaries.

As well opportunities like scholarships, participants of the Soaring to Success Programme will be directed onto further opportunities to continue their career pathway within aviation and aerospace including apprenticeships, traineeships, and further educational courses through TalentView Aviation.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

The income during the year was £152,211 (2020: £ 417,185). While the investment income remained the same the rest of the income was reduced which was affected by the pandemic. The expenditure for the year increased to £ 447,052 (2020: £ 360,914).

Reserves level and policy

The total funds of The Air League at 31 December 2021 were £1,534,314 (2020: £1,663,884) of which £335,284 (2020: £300,316) were held as permanent endowment and £588,287 as restricted funds (2020: 708,406). The balance represents unrestricted funds of £610,743 (2020: £655,162), of which £109,400 (2020: £33,257) were held in tangible fixed assets, leaving the balance of free reserves of the Trust of £501,343 (2020: £621,905).

Taking one year with another, the Trustees seek to spend all net income as it arises. Trustees seek to maintain a sufficient capital base of unrestricted funds appropriate to the operation of the Trust while deriving spendable funds from this source which are used for the purposes of the charity. The Trustees consider that the value of such funds on 31 December 2021 meets these objectives.

Investment policy, performance, and objectives

The Trustees' investment powers are derived from the Trust's Memorandum and Articles of Association. The Trustees engage investment managers to manage the investments of the Trust and the Endowment Fund.

The Trustees' investment policy is to maintain the real capital value of the Trust's investments by seeking to achieve a total real rate of return of 3.75% per annum over rolling five-years periods, of which 2.5% will be in the form of income. The current gross income yield is 2.17% (2020: 2.58%). The portfolio has experienced a valuation 13.1% of gain (2020: Loss 6.6%) over the last 12 months.

The Trustees follow an ethical investment policy.

Going concern

After making appropriate enquiries, including assessments of the key risks and future budgets, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the Accounting Policies at Note 1.

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for the year ended 31 December 2021**

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

The Board of the Air League Trust is responsible for preparing Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales, the Charities Act 2011, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed require the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- observe the methods and principles of the charity SORP.
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The Board as the Trustee body is responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. The Board as a Trustee body is also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD



J Steel Esq KC FRAeS, Chair

Date: 13th September 2022

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF AIR LEAGUE TRUST ('the Company') for the year ended 31 December 2021

I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Trustees of the Company (and its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company 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 Company's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the 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:

- 1) accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- 2) the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- 3) the accounts 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 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 (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 accounts to be reached.

This report is made solely to the Company's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Company's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Company and the Company's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

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Dated: 23 September 2022

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES for the year ended 31 December 2021

		Endowment	Restricted	Unrestricted	2021	2020
		funds	funds	funds	Total	Total
Notes		£	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS						
Donations and legacies	3	0	42,300	71,605	113,905	376,771
Investment	4	7,223	0	31,083	38,306	40,414
Total incoming resources		7,223	42,300	102,688	152,211	417,185
EXPENDITURE						
Raising funds	5	0	0	153,998	153,998	240,658
Charitable activities	6	3,425	98,226	191,403	293,054	120,256
Total expenditure		3,425	98,226	345,401	447,052	360,914
Net gains on investment		31,170	0	134,100	165,270	97,692
Corporation tax		0	0	0	0	(801)
NET INCOME /(EXPENDITURE)		34,968	(55,926)	(108,613)	(129,571)	153,163
Transfer between funds	15	0	(64,193)	64,193	0	0
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		34,968	(120,119)	(44,420)	(129,571)	153,163
Total funds brought forward		300,316	708,406	655,162	1,663,884	1,510,721
FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		335,284	588,287	610,743	1,534,314	1,663,884

All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.
The charity has no other recognised gains or losses for the year other than the results above.

The notes form an integral part of these financial statements

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CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET as at 31 December 2021

Company Number: 06794828					
		2021		2020	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	11		109,400		33,257
Investments	12		1,426,687		1,561,417
			<u>1,536,087</u>		<u>1,594,674</u>
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	13	44,316		30,323	
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>30,961</u>		<u>66,402</u>	
		75,277		96,725	
CREDITORS: amount falling due within one year	14	<u>(77,050)</u>		<u>(27,515)</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			(1,773)		69,210
NET ASSETS			<u>1,534,314</u>		<u>1,663,884</u>
CHARITY FUNDS	15				
Endowment funds			335,284		300,316
Restricted funds			588,287		708,406
Unrestricted funds			<u>610,743</u>		<u>655,162</u>
			<u>1,534,314</u>		<u>1,663,884</u>

The Company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006. The members have not required the company to obtain an audit for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of Companies Act 2006.

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

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

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by



J Steel Esq QC FRAeS, Chair

13 September 2022

The notes form an integral part of these financial statements

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COMPANY BALANCE SHEET as at 31 December 2021

		Company Number: 06794828			
		2021		2020	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Investments	12		1,426,687		1,561,417
			<u>1,426,687</u>		<u>1,561,417</u>
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	13	87,179		14,050	
Cash at bank and in hand		28,473		56,425	
		<u>115,652</u>		<u>70,475</u>	
CREDITORS: amount falling due within one year	14	<u>(67,141)</u>		<u>(39,541)</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			48,511		30,934
NET ASSETS			<u>1,475,198</u>		<u>1,592,351</u>
CHARITY FUNDS	15				
Endowment funds			335,284		300,316
Restricted funds			588,287		708,406
Unrestricted funds			<u>551,627</u>		<u>583,629</u>
			<u>1,475,198</u>		<u>1,592,351</u>

The Company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006.

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

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

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

The charity has taken the exemption from presenting the unconsolidated profit or loss under section 408 of the Companies Act. Unconsolidated loss for the charity was £117,153 during the year.

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by



J Steel Esq QC FRAeS, Chair

13 September 2022

The notes form an integral part of these financial statements

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS as at 31 December 2021

1. General information

Air League Trust is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is 3 Whitehall Court, London, SW1A 2EL. The members of the company are the Trustees named on page 1. In the event of the company being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the company.

2. Accounting policies

2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

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

The Company has elected to apply all amendments to FRS 102, as set out in the Financial Reporting Council's triennial review published in December 2017 and included in Update Bulletin 2 to the Charities SORP (FRS 102), prior to mandatory adoption for accounting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019.

Air League Trust 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.

2.2 Going concern

The Coronavirus pandemic has created significant uncertainty and the company is not immune to this although, at this stage, it is not possible to reliably forecast what the long-term impact of this may be. The Trustees are confident, however, that the company will be able to see through the current uncertainty as income streams have not been affected by Covid-19 as they are taking action to control costs where appropriate and will continue to monitor the position carefully. Given the uncertainties that exist, the Trustees believe these actions should enable the company to continue in operational existence. Therefore, it is the Trustee's opinion that the going concern basis of preparation of the accounts continues to be appropriate.

2.3 Income

All income is recognised once the company has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received, and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the trust has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount.

For legacies, entitlement is taken as the earlier of the date on which either: the company is aware that probate has been granted, the estate has been finalised and notification has been made by the executor(s) to the Trust that a distribution will be made, or when a distribution is received from the estate. Receipt of a legacy, in whole or in part, is only considered probable when the amount can be measured reliably, and the company has been notified of the executor's intention to make a distribution. Where legacies have been notified to the company, or the company is aware of the granting of probate, and the criteria for income recognition have not been met, then the legacy is treated as a contingent asset and disclosed if material.

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2.4 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity.

Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

Expenditure on raising funds includes all expenditure incurred by the Company to raise funds for its charitable purposes and includes costs of all fundraising activities events and non-charitable trading.

Expenditure on charitable activities is incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the Company's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

2.5 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulative depreciation and any accumulative impairment losses. Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets, other than freehold land, at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset evenly over its expected useful life, as follows:

Office equipment	over 3 years
Light aircraft	over 10 years - depreciation starts once the aircraft is fully built

2.6 Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the Company; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the institution with whom the funds are deposited.

2.7 Investments

Fixed asset investments are a form of financial instrument and are initially recognised at their transaction cost and subsequently measured at fair value at the Balance sheet date, unless the value cannot be measured reliably in which case it is measured at cost less impairment. Investment gains and losses, whether realised or unrealised, are combined and presented as 'Gains/(Losses) on investments' in the Statement of financial activities. Air League Enterprise is exempt from audit under s479A.

2.8 Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the Company anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation.

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Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised in the Statement of financial activities as a finance cost.

2.9 Financial instruments

The Company only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

2.10 Pensions

The Company operates a defined contribution pension scheme, and the pension charge represents the amounts payable by the Company to the fund in respect of the year.

2.11 Fund accounting

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

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the Trustees for particular purposes. The aim and use of each designated fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

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

Investment income, gains and losses are allocated to the appropriate fund.

3 Income from donations and legacies

	Endowment funds	Restricted funds	Unrestricted funds	2021 Total	2020
	£	£	£	£	£
General donation	0	1,250	19,025	20,275	17,442
Trust and foundations grants	0	15,850	18,500	34,350	64,500
Corporate donations	0	25,200	18,060	43,260	84,136
Department of Transport	0	0	0	0	156,000
Corporate subscriptions	0	0	16,020	16,020	54,693
	0	42,300	71,605	113,905	376,771
2020 analysis		223,500	153,271	376,771	

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4 Investment income

	Endowment funds	Restricted funds	Unrestricted funds	2021 Total	2020
	£	£	£	£	£
Listed investments	7,223	0	31,077	38,300	40,314
Bank interest	0	0	6	6	100
	7,223	0	31,083	38,306	40,414
2020 analysis	7,717	14,151	18,546	40,414	

5 Expenditure on raising funds

	Endowment funds	Restricted funds	Unrestricted funds	2021 Total	2020
	£	£	£	£	£
Staff costs	0	0	82,350	82,350	156,137
Events costs	0	0	20,236	20,236	14,731
Marketing and communications	0	0	7,679	7,679	4,765
Support costs	0	0	43,733	43,733	65,025
	0	0	153,998	153,998	240,658
2020 analysis			240,658	240,658	

6 Expenditure on charitable activities

6.1 Analysis by funds

	Endowment funds	Restricted funds	Unrestricted funds	2021 Total	2020
	£	£	£	£	£
Aviation experiences	0	21,787	104,759	126,546	41,938
Flying scholarships	3,425	62,034	61,399	126,858	66,266
Flying bursary	0	14,405	25,245	39,650	6,532
Other activities	0	0	0	0	5,520
	3,425	98,226	191,403	293,054	120,256
2020 analysis		32,551	87,705	120,256	

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6.2 Analysis by activities

	Staff costs	Direct activities	Support costs	2021 Total	2020
	£	£	£	£	£
Aviation experiences	75,585	24,721	26,240	126,546	41,938
Flying scholarships	37,793	75,946	13,120	126,858	66,266
Flying bursary	12,598	22,679	4,373	39,650	6,532
Other activities	0	0	0	0	5,520
	125,975	123,346	43,733	293,054	120,256
2020 analysis		55,232	65,024	120,256	

7 Analysis of support costs

	Aviation experiences	Flying scholarships	Flying bursary	Fundraising	2021 Total	2020
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Rent and rates	4,510	2,255	752	7,517	15,034	16,727
Insurance	2,423	1,212	404	4,039	8,078	3,586
Newsletter printing	141	71	24	235	470	433
Postage and stationery	198	99	33	330	660	4,994
IT maintenance, website	1,581	791	264	2,635	5,270	7,853
Recruitment	2,730	1,365	455	4,550	9,100	0
APAG, PAG and events	0	0	0	0	0	1,433
Youth publicity	430	215	72	717	1,433	3,669
Bank charges	387	194	65	645	1,290	936
Sundry expenses	164	82	27	274	548	11,441
Governance compliance	2,141	1,071	357	3,569	7,138	43,282
Professional fees	6,430	3,215	1,072	10,717	21,434	26,296
Business development	2,026	1,013	338	3,376	6,752	734
Other cost	3,077	1,539	513	5,129	10,258	8,664
	26,240	13,120	4,373	43,733	87,465	130,048
2020 analysis	22,677	35,831	6,517	65,024	130,049	

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8 Independent examiner's remunerations

	2021	2020
	£	£
Independent examination fee	4,080	4,080

9 Staff costs

	Group 2021	Group 2020	Charity 2021	Charity 2020
	£	£	£	£
Gross salaries	160,624	139,667	160,624	139,667
NI contribution	15,526	13,261	15,526	13,261
Employer pension	2,675	3,209	2,675	3,209
Redundancy	29,500	0	29,500	0
	208,325	156,137	208,325	156,137

	2021 No.	2020 No.	2021 No.	2020 No.
The average full time equivalent number of employees	3	2	3	2

No employee received emoluments in excess of £60,000 (2019: nil)

	Group 2021 No.	Group 2020 No.	Charity 2021 No.	Charity 2020 No.
In the band £70,001 - £80,000	1	0	1	0
In the band £ 90,001 - £100,000	0	1	0	1

The remuneration of key management personnel during the year was £ 164,699 (2020: £99,314)

10 Trustees' remuneration and expenses Expense

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits (2020 - Nil)

During the year ended 31 December 2021, expenses totalling £nil were reimbursed or paid directly to 1 Trustees (2020 - £286). The expenses reimbursed during the year were for travel and printing costs.

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11 Tangible Fixed Assets

	Group			Charity		
	Office equipment & website	Light aircraft Slingshot	Group Total	Office equipment & website	Light aircraft Slingshot	Charity Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Cost						
At 1 January 2021	45,860	33,256	79,116	9,904	0	2,704
Additions	4,748	71,395	76,143	0	0	0
At 31 December 2021	40,608	104,651	155,259	9,904	0	2,704
Depreciation						
At 1 January 2021	45,859	0	45,859	9,904	0	2,704
Provided during year	0	0	0	0	0	0
At 31 Dec 2021	45,859	0	45,859	9,904	0	2,704
Net book value						
At 31 Dec 2021	4,749	104,651	109,400	0	0	0
At 31 Dec 2020	1	33,256	33,257	0	0	0

12 Fixed assets investments

	Listed investments - Group £	Listed investments - Charity £
Cost or valuation		
At 1 January 2021	1,561,417	1,561,417
Revaluations gains	165,270	165,270
Fund drawn	(300,000)	(300,000)
At 31 December 2021	1,426,687	1,426,687

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Net book value

As 31 December 2021	1,426,687	1,426,687
At 31 December 2020	1,561,417	1,561,417

Air League Enterprises Ltd is a company limited by guarantee having no share capital and The Air League Trust is the ultimate parent company. The registration number 00102488, registered office at 3 Whitehall Court, London SW1A 2EL. The company's main activity is to raise funds for the parent charitable company Air League Trust and all profit donated to the parent charity. During 2020 the company turnover £28,080 (2020: 54,692), expenditure £40,486 (2020:62,271) and loss £12,406 (2020 loss £75,779).

13 Debtors

	Group 2021	Group 2020	Charity 2021	Charity 2020
	£	£	£	£
Trade debtors	34,289	18,550	2,048	8,268
Other debtors	5,181	5,991	0	0
Prepayments and accrued Income	4,846	5,782	4,846	5,782
Amount owed to group undertakings	0	0	80,284	0
	44,316	30,323	87,178	14,050

14 Creditors: Amounts falling due within One year

	Group 2021	Group 2020	Charity 2021	Charity 2020
	£	£	£	£
Amount owed to group undertakings	0	0	0	13,859
Taxation and social security	6,788	12,420	6,023	11,655
Other creditors	1,715	5,634	0	5,634
Accrual and deferred income	38,076	0	38,076	0
Trade creditors	30,471	9,461	23,042	8,393
	77,050	27,515	67,141	39,541

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15 Statement of funds

2021 analysis	Balance at 01 Jan 21	Income	Expenditure	Investment gain	Transfer of funds	Balance at 31 Dec 21
	£	£	£	£	£	£
ENDOWMENT FUNDS						
CA Barnes	71,404	1,717	(3,425)	7,411	0	77,107
Somers Engineering	228,912	5,506	0	23,759	0	258,177
Total Endowment funds	300,316	7,223	(3,425)	31,170	0	335,284
RESTRICTED FUND						
McRobert Trust	111,498	0	(10,302)	0	0	101,196
Prince Philip Scholarship	242,188	0	(13,285)	0	0	228,903
Sir A Marshall Scholarship	125,251	0	(6,160)	0	0	119,091
R Kronfield Fund	49,674	0	(2,885)	0	0	46,789
ALDS Fund	17,879	0	0	0	0	17,879
Scaraman Fund	12,335	0	(2,320)	0	0	10,015
Adrian Swire Trust	7,114	15,000	(15,528)	0	(2,909)	3,677
Dept for Transport	115,183	850	(21,786)	0	(71,395)	22,852
Swire Charitable Trust	10,514	0	(13,423)	0	2,909	0
Air Crew Trust	15,000	0	0	0	0	15,000
Dick Lovett	0	24,000	(2,909)	0	0	21,091
Other small funds	1,770	2,450	(9,628)	0	7,202	1,794
Total Restricted funds	708,406	42,300	(98,226)	0	(64,193)	588,287
UNRESTRICTED FUND						
General funds	445,431	102,688	(344,047)	134,100	64,193	402,366
Designated funds						
Anonymous	96,085	0	0	0	0	96,085
Battle for Britain	45,722	0	0	0	0	45,722
Red Arrows	2,816	0	(1,354)	0	0	1,462
MJ Marshall - Youth Aviation	13,583	0	0	0	0	13,583
Lucas Aerospace	51,525	0	0	0	0	51,525
Subtotal designated funds	209,731	0	(1,354)	0	0	208,377
Total Unrestricted funds	655,162	102,688	(345,401)	134,100	64,193	610,743

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Total of funds	1,663,884	152,211	(447,052)	165,270	0	1,534,314
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Prior year 2020 analysis	Balance at 01 Jan 20	Income	Expenditure	Investment gain	Transfer of funds	Balance at 31 Dec 20
	£	£	£	£	£	£

ENDOWMENT FUNDS

CA Barnes	65,123	1,835	0	4,446	0	71,404
Somers Engineering	208,775	5,882	0	14,255	0	228,912
Total Endowment funds	273,898	7,717	0	18,701	0	300,316

RESTRICTED FUND

McRobert Trust	101,690	2,865	0	6,943	0	111,498
Prince Philip Scholarship	220,883	6,224	0	15,081	0	242,188
Sir A Marshall Scholarship	116,448	3,281	(2,429)	7,951	0	125,251
R Kronfield Fund	45,305	1,276	0	3,093	0	49,674
ALDS Fund	16,307	459	0	1,113	0	17,879
Scaraman Fund	0	18,000	(5,665)	0	0	12,335
Adrian Swire Trust	0	15,000	(7,886)	0	0	7,114
Dept for Transport	0	156,000	(7,561)	0	(33,256)	115,183
Swire Charitable Trust	0	15,000	(4,486)	0	0	10,514
Air Crew Trust		15,000	0	0	0	15,000
Other small funds	1,637	4,546	(4,524)	111	0	1,770
Total Restricted funds	502,270	237,651	(32,551)	34,292	(33,256)	708,406

UNRESTRICTED FUND

General funds	543,271	166,428	(329,164)	31,640	33,256	445,431
Designated funds						
Anonymous	87,633	2,469		5,983		96,085
Battle for Britain	41,700	1,175		2,847		45,722
Red Arrows	2,569	72		175		2,816
MJ Marshall Youth Aviation	12,388	349		846		13,583
Lucas Aerospace	46,992	1,324		3,208		51,524

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	191,282	5,389	0	13,059	0	209,730
Total Unrestricted funds	734,553	171,817	(329,164)	44,699	33,256	655,161
Total of funds	1,510,721	417,185	(361,715)	97,692	0	1,663,884

Endowment Funds:

CA Barnes - A donation made with gift aid to provide flying scholarships in perpetuity.

Somers Engineering Scholarship Fund - A donation from the J N Somers Will Trust for aspiring aviation engineers. Sponsors placement accommodation and travel.

Restricted Funds:

MacRobert Trust - This fund provides scholarships from the residents of Scotland.

Prince Philip Flying Scholarship - Restricted to fund an annual scholarship of up to 30 hours. The scholarship must be awarded to an air cadet that has also achieved a Duke of Edinburgh award.

Sir Arthur Marshall FS - Sir Arthur Marshall of Cambridge made a donation in his name to provide a flying scholarship annually.

R Kronfield Fund - Donation made to provide one flying scholarship and one bursary.

Scaraman Fund - Flying scholarship and bursaries for current and past Air Cadets.

Adrian Swire Trust - Fund provides flying scholarships.

Dept for Transport - Funding under the "Reach for the sky" programme to support "Soaring Success" including project Slingshot.

Swire Charitable Trust - Fund provides flying scholarships.

Air Crew Trust - Fund to provide scholarships.

Dick Lovett - Fund provides for engineering activities.

Designated Funds:

Trustees set aside these funds to give Flying Scholarships to be spent within the year and will be reviewed annually.

Red Arrows - A trust amount which is to be awarded only to a current air cadet.

Michael J Marshall Youth in Aviation - Donation from Sir Michael Marshall to yield some income to pay for lower-level items within Youth in aviation.

Battle of Britain - Amount fundraised from the Battle of Britain Fighter Association to pay for scholarship.

Lucas Aerospace - Fund provided to give Flying Scholarships, in perpetuity

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16 Analysis of net assets between funds

2021 analysis	Endowment funds £	Restricted funds £	Unrestricted funds £	2021 Total £
Fixed assets investments	335,284	588,287	612,516	1,536,087
Current assets	0	0	75,277	75,277
Creditor due within one year	0	0	(77,050)	(77,050)
	335,284	588,287	610,743	1,534,314

Prior year analysis	Endowment funds £	Restricted funds £	Unrestricted funds £	2020 Total £
Fixed assets investments	300,316	708,406	585,952	1,594,674
Current assets	0	0	96,725	96,725
Creditor due within one year	0	0	(27,515)	(27,515)
	300,316	708,406	655,162	1,663,884

17 Related party transactions

At the balance sheet date, the trust was owed a balance of £80,284 from Air League Enterprises Limited, a company over which the trust has joint control and significant influence. In 2020, £13,859 was owed to Air League Enterprises Ltd.

The results of Air League Enterprises Limited have been consolidated in the accounts of Air League Trust.

Air League Enterprises Limited exists solely to assist in funding the activities of the charity. Donations made to the charity during the year amounted to £nil (2020: £nil).