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**Charity number: 1167737**

**The Theosophical Society in England  
Charitable Company limited by guarantee**

**Financial statements**

**30 September 2021**

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**Directors and other Information**

**Directors/Trustees**

J. Baker  
S.M. Bayliss  
E. Crofts  
N. Hart  
S. Johnson  
E. McGough

**Charity number**

1167737

**Company number**

09706732

**Registered office**

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**Directors' & Trustees' report**  
**Year ended 30 September 2021**

The Directors (who are also trustees of the charity for the purposes of the Charities Act) present their annual report together with the audited financial statements of The Theosophical Society in England for the year ended 30 September 2021. The Directors confirm that the annual report and financial statements of the company comply with the Companies Act 2006 and Charities Act 2011, the requirements of the company's governing document and the provisions of the Charities SORP 2019 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).

**Directors/Trustees**

The directors/trustees who served the company during the year were as follows:

|              |                            |
|--------------|----------------------------|
| J. Baker     |                            |
| S.M. Bayliss |                            |
| E. Crofts    |                            |
| N. Hart      |                            |
| S. Johnson   |                            |
| E. McGough   |                            |
| C.L. Nash    | (resigned 8 February 2021) |
| M. Jenkinson | (resigned 10 October 2021) |

**Objectives**

The objects of the Society are for the public benefit to promote moral and spiritual welfare, and the advancement of education, through the promotion and study of Theosophy, and the dissemination of the results of such study to the public.

To further its Charitable Objects, The Theosophical Society in England may:

- provide and assist in the provision of money, materials or other help;
- organise and assist in the provision of conferences, courses of instruction, exhibitions, lectures and other educational activities;
- publish and distribute instructional and other materials on any medium;
- promote, encourage, carry out or commission research, surveys, studies, or other work, making the relevant results available;
- provide or procure the provision of counselling and guidance;
- provide or procure the provision of advice;
- alone or with other organisations seek to influence public opinion and make representations to and seek to influence governmental and other bodies and institutions regarding the reform, development and implementation of appropriate policies, legislation, and regulations, provided that all such activities shall be confined to those which an English and Welsh charity may properly undertake

**Principles**

The Society, while reserving for each member full freedom to interpret those teachings known as Theosophy, is dedicated to preserving and realising the Ageless Wisdom, which embodies both a world view and a vision of human self-transformation.



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The Theosophical Tradition is founded upon certain fundamental propositions which include:

- Recognition of the unique value of every living being, expresses itself in reverence for life, compassion for all, sympathy with the need of individuals to find truth for themselves, and respect for every religious tradition. The ways in which these ideals become realities in individual life are both the privileged choice and the responsibility of every human being.
- Central to the concerns of Theosophy is the desire to promote understanding and fellowship among people of all races, nationalities, philosophies, and religions. Therefore, all people, whatever their religious affiliations or gender, are invited to participate equally in the life and work of the Society. The Theosophical Society imposes no dogmas, but points toward the source of unity beyond all differences. Devotion to Truth, love for all living beings, and a commitment to a life of active altruism are the marks of a true Theosophist.

**Summary of Activities**

The Society's activities include lectures, seminars, residential conferences and study groups for the promotion and study of theosophy in line with the Society's charitable and classical objects. The Society has an active programme of events, supported by authorised theosophical speakers. Since the onset of the Covid-19 pandemic, activities have continued to be provided via Zoom, with many of them recorded and posted online for the benefit of those unable to attend and also making them available to a wide audience. In addition, there are two web-based open learning courses, a Foundation Diploma and Higher Diploma in Theosophy, which are designed to assist students' understanding of the basic Principles of Theosophy. These are provided through flexible online learning, ongoing tutorial support, and an end of year examination. Grants and bursaries are available.

In promotion of its Charitable Objects, the Society regularly publishes a free magazine which has a wide circulation in the UK and abroad through a subscribers' mailing list, and it is available at centres of theosophical activity and many other public outlets. Current and past issues of the magazine are also posted online. The Society has an active website which promotes its objects and activities and aids the study of theosophy through books, articles and videos and with appropriate links to other relevant sources. Other web-based activities include social media such as Facebook and YouTube. The Society's headquarters has a lending library on theosophy and related esoteric subjects.

**Achievements and Performance**

During the course of the year, due to the restrictions of the pandemic, general activities have been provided solely through online platforms. These events have been very successful in maintaining communications and providing educational content through zoom lectures and study meetings, and many lectures are recorded for posting online. They have attracted attendance from members and a broad section of the general public and the wider theosophical community, reaching an extensive geographical area in the UK and worldwide. Members of the public actively engage online through (free) subscriptions and social media. Our website and online media received almost 360,000 visitors, of which 80,000 were viewers for the YouTube presentations. An extensive survey of the membership was carried out in 2021 and the information received will help to inform future activities. Despite such difficult times, membership numbers have been maintained and the number of associates increased. A spring conference and summer congress will take place in 2022, restrictions permitting, with local events also anticipated.

The annual online Diploma Courses are awarded through examination and continue to attract students from the UK and abroad. The Foundation Diploma develops a fuller understanding of the Ageless Wisdom, which underpins the core principles and values that lie behind many of the modern spiritual services, such as healing, spiritual counselling, yoga, and other therapies. Theosophical knowledge is invaluable for these activities and is also of interest to those who have an enquiring mind and wish to know about esoteric philosophy. This enables students to understand the basic foundations of Theosophy before embarking on the more intensive Higher Diploma, which approaches the teachings from a much deeper level and leads students into some of the profound and inspiring aspects of Theosophy, and an Advanced Diploma is now under development.

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Only the Theosophical Society has the authority to offer genuine Theosophical Diplomas which are respected as a true mark of achievement. Whilst these are not academic awards, they nevertheless carry real and meaningful value and offer insight into the esoteric teachings not available through academic courses which, generally speaking, focus on the broad historical and cultural context of esoteric movements and are not equipped to teach the practical content and philosophical application of the teachings themselves.

**Governance**

The Society is a registered charity governed by its Articles of Association. Trustees and National Officers are selected and appointed in accordance with the provisions of the Articles and Byelaws and are subject to election by a national council. The national council consists of councillors elected by the Society's membership. The charity is managed by its Board of Trustees and National Officers, who receive a Trustees and Directors Handbook with information on the duties and responsibilities of Trustees and the requirements of charity commission guidance and charity law.

**Funding and Financial Review**

The Society has a fund balance of £9,527,139. Assets are held for the fulfilment of the Society's charitable objectives and have been sourced through donations and legacies and a previous transfer of assets from The Theosophical Society Unincorporated Association and related entities. The Charity is in its third year of operation and is undertaking an ongoing review of its financial processes, future planning, and reserves, and external consultants have been appointed to assist with this process. Directors have no concerns about the continuation of the Charity.

**Directors/trustees responsibilities statement**

The directors are responsible for preparing the directors report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and the profit or loss of the company for that year.

In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently; and
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- observe the methods and principles in the charities SORP; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

**Auditor**

Each of the persons who is a director at the date of approval of this report confirms that:

- so far as they are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditor is unaware; and
- they have taken all steps that they ought to have taken as a director to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditor is aware of that information.

The auditor is deemed to have been re-appointed in accordance with section 487 of the Companies Act 2006.

**Small company provisions**

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

This report was approved by the board of directors on 12.03.2022 and signed on behalf of the board by:



**J Baker**  
**Director**

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**Independent auditor's report to the members of**  
**The Theosophical Society in England**  
**Year ended 30 September 2021**

**Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of The Theosophical Society in England (the Charitable company) for the year ended 30 September 2021 which comprise the statement of financial activities, statement of financial position, statement of cash flows and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards including FRS 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 30 September 2021 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

**Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

**Conclusions relating to going concern**

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the directors with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

**Other Information**

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The directors are responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated, if we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

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We have nothing to report in this regard.

**Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006**

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the trustees' report, which includes the directors' report prepared for the purposes of company law, for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the directors' report within the trustees' report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

**Matters on which we are required to report by exception**

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the directors' report included within the trustees' report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relations to which the Companies Act 2006 require us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and the returns; or
- the charitable company has not kept adequate accounting records; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the members were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemptions in preparing the trustees' report and from the requirement to prepare a strategic report.

**Responsibilities of directors**

As explained more fully in the directors' responsibilities statement, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

**Auditors responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements**

Based on our understanding of the company and industry, we identified that the principal risks of non-compliance with laws and regulations related to breaches in Health & Safety and General Data Protection Regulations, and we considered the extent to which non-compliance may have a material effect on the financial statements. We also considered those laws and regulations that have a direct impact on the preparation of the financial statements such as the Companies Act 2006.

We evaluated management's incentives and opportunities for fraudulent manipulation of the financial statements and the financial report (including the risk of override of controls), and determined that the principal risks were related to posting inappropriate entries including journals to overstate revenue or understate expenditure, and management bias in accounting estimates.

Audit procedures performed by the engagement team included:

- discussions with management, including considerations of known or suspected instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations and fraud;
- evaluation of the operating effectiveness of management's controls designed to prevent and detect irregularities;
- identifying and testing journal entries.

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Owing to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that we may not have detected some material misstatements in the financial statements, even though we have properly planned and performed our audit in accordance with auditing standards. For example, the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations (irregularities) is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely the inherently limited procedures required by auditing standards would identify it. In addition, as with any audit, there remained a higher risk of non-detection of irregularities, as these may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls. We are not responsible for preventing non-compliance and cannot be expected to detect non-compliance with all laws and regulations.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: <http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities>. This description forms part of the auditor's report.

**Use of our Report**

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might State to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Andrew Crook BA ACA (Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of  
Mercer & Hole  
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditor  
21 Lombard Street  
London  
EC3V 9AH

Date: .....

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**Statement of financial activities**  
**Year ended 30 September 2021**

| Note                                     | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>2021<br>£ | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>2020<br>£ |
|--|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <b><u>Income and endowment from:</u></b> |                                    |                                    |
| Donations and legacies                   | 120,586                            | 11,129                             |
| Investment Activities                    | 207,954                            | 226,254                            |
| Other income                             | 31,927                             | 19,401                             |
|  | <hr/> 360,467                      | <hr/> 256,784                      |
| <b><u>Expenditure on:</u></b>            |                                    |                                    |
| Staff costs                              | (140,990)                          | (142,604)                          |
| Other expenditure                        | (236,490)                          | (193,969)                          |
| Net gains/(losses) on investments        | 539,028                            | (253,621)                          |
|  | <hr/> 522,015                      | <hr/> (333,410)                    |
| <b>Net movement in funds</b>             |                                    |                                    |
| Fund balances at 1 October 2020          | <hr/> 9,005,124                    | <hr/> 9,338,534                    |
| Transfer between funds                   | -                                  | -                                  |
| <b>Fund balance at 30 September 2021</b> | <hr/> 9,527,139                    | <hr/> 9,005,124                    |

All the activities of the company are from continuing operations.

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

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

The notes on pages 11 to 16 form part of these financial statements.

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**Statement of financial position**  
**30 September 2021**

|   | Note | 2021<br>£        | £                | 2020<br>£        | £                |
|---|------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| <b>Fixed assets</b>                                   |      |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| Intangible assets                                     | 7    | 16,038           |                  | 4,958            |                  |
| Tangible assets                                       | 8    | 3,144,085        |                  | 3,148,086        |                  |
| Investment properties                                 | 9    | 2,160,000        |                  | 2,160,000        |                  |
| Investments   | 10   | <u>4,150,679</u> |                  | <u>3,652,364</u> |                  |
|   |      |                  | 9,470,802        |                  | 8,965,408        |
| <b>Current assets</b>                                 |      |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| Stocks  |      | 20,291           |                  | 18,440           |                  |
| Debtors   | 11   | 26,409           |                  | 54,566           |                  |
| Cash at bank and in hand                              |      | <u>73,872</u>    |                  | <u>16,317</u>    |                  |
|   |      | 120,572          |                  | 89,323           |                  |
| <b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b> | 12   | <u>(64,235)</u>  |                  | <u>(49,607)</u>  |                  |
| <b>Net current assets</b>                             |      |                  | 56,337           |                  | 39,716           |
| <b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>          |      |                  | <u>9,527,139</u> |                  | <u>9,005,124</u> |
| <b>Net Assets</b>                                     |      |                  | <u>9,527,139</u> |                  | <u>9,005,124</u> |
| <b>Funds</b>  |      |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| Staff retirement Designated Fund                      |      |                  | -                |                  | -                |
| Life Membership Subscription Designated Fund          |      |                  | -                |                  | -                |
| Unrestricted funds                                    |      |                  | <u>9,527,139</u> |                  | <u>9,005,124</u> |
| <b>Total funds</b>                                    |      |                  | <u>9,527,139</u> |                  | <u>9,005,124</u> |

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies' subject to the small companies' regime and in accordance with FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'.

These financial statements were approved by the board of directors and authorised for is: 12.03.2022 and are signed on behalf of the board by:

*J.M. Baker*

J Baker  
Director

Company registration number: 09705732

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**Statement of cash flows  
30 September 2021**

|   | Notes | 2021<br>£     | £                    | 2020<br>£      | £                    |
|---|-------|---------------|----------------------|----------------|----------------------|
| <b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>                 |       |               |                      |                |                      |
| Cash (absorbed by)/generated from operations                | 16    | (65,531)      |                      |                | (182,858)            |
| <b>Investing activities</b>                                 |       |               |                      |                |                      |
| Purchase of intangible assets                               |       | (12,524)      |                      | (4,958)        |                      |
| Purchase of tangible fixed assets                           |       | (3,702)       |                      | (8,153)        |                      |
| Other loans   |       | -             |                      | -              |                      |
| Purchase of other investments                               |       | -             |                      | -              |                      |
| Proceeds on disposal of other investments                   |       | 40,713        |                      | 43,975         |                      |
| Investment income received                                  |       | <u>98,599</u> |                      | <u>107,731</u> |                      |
| <b>Net cash generated from investing activities</b>         |       |               | 123,086              |                | 138,595              |
| <b>Net cash used in financing activities</b>                |       |               | <u>-</u>             |                | <u>-</u>             |
| <b>Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents</b> |       |               | 57,555               |                | (44,263)             |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year              |       |               | <u>16,317</u>        |                | <u>60,580</u>        |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of year                    |       |               | <u><u>73,872</u></u> |                | <u><u>16,317</u></u> |

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## **Charitable Company limited by guarantee**

### **Notes to the financial statements**

**Year ended 30 September 2021**

#### **1. General information**

The charitable company is limited by guarantee and registered in England. The address of the registered office is 50 Gloucester Place, London, W1U 8EA.

#### **2. Statement of compliance**

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with the provisions of FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'.

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

#### **3. Accounting policies**

##### **Basis of preparation**

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities and investment properties measured at fair value through profit or loss.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

##### **Fund accounting – unrestricted funds**

Unrestricted funds 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.

##### **Tangible assets**

Tangible assets are initially recorded at cost and are subsequently stated at cost less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Any tangible assets carried at revalued amounts are recorded at the fair value at the date of revaluation less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

An increase in the carrying amount of an asset as a result of a revaluation, is recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in capital and reserves, except to the extent it reverses a revaluation decrease of the same asset previously recognised in profit or loss. A decrease in the carrying amount of an asset as a result of revaluation is recognised in other comprehensive income to the extent of any previously recognised revaluation increase accumulated in capital and reserves in respect of that asset. Where a revaluation decrease exceeds the accumulated revaluation, gains accumulated in capital and reserves in respect of that asset, the excess shall be recognised in profit or loss.

##### **Depreciation**

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost or valuation of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

|                                |   |
|--------------------------------|---|
| Freehold property              | - No depreciation provided, residual value is at least fair value |
| Fixtures, fittings & equipment | - 25% straight line   |

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If there is an indication that there has been a significant change in depreciation rate, useful life or residual value of tangible assets, the depreciation is revised prospectively to reflect the new estimates.

**Intangible assets other than goodwill**

Intangible assets acquired separately from a business are recognised at cost and are subsequently measured at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses.

Amortisation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Trademarks - 10% straight line

**Investment properties**

Investment property, which is property held to earn rentals and/or for capital appreciation, is initially recognised at cost, which includes the purchase cost and any directly attributable expenditure. Subsequently it is measured at fair value at the reporting end date. The surplus or deficit on revaluation is recognised in profit or loss.

**Fixed asset investments**

Fixed asset investments are initially recorded at cost and subsequently stated at cost less any accumulated impairment losses. Listed investments are measured at fair value, with changes in fair value being recognised in profit or loss.

**Impairment**

A review for indicators of impairment is carried out at each reporting date, with the recoverable amount being estimated where such indicators exist where the carrying value exceeds the recoverable amount, the asset is impaired accordingly. Prior impairments are also reviewed for possible reversal at each reporting date.

When it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset an estimate is made of the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. The cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable group of assets that includes the asset and generates cash inflows that are largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets.

**Stocks**

Stocks are measured at the lower of cost or net realisable value. Cost includes all costs of purchase, costs of conversion and other costs incurred in bringing the stocks to their present location and condition.

**Financial Instruments**

A financial asset or a financial liability is recognised only when the company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at the transaction price, unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where it is recognised at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument. Debt instruments are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

Where investments in non-convertible preference shares and non-puttable ordinary shares or preference shares are publicly traded or their fair value can otherwise be measured reliably, the investment is subsequently measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognised in profit or loss. All other such investments are subsequently measured at cost less impairment.

Other financial instruments, including derivatives, are initially recognised at fair value, unless payment for an asset is deferred beyond normal business terms or financed at a rate of interest that is not a market rate, in which case the asset is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

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Other financial instruments are subsequently measured at fair value, with any changes recognised in profit or loss, with the exception of hedging instruments in a designated hedging relationship. Financial assets that are measured at cost or amortised are reviewed for objective evidence of impairment at the end of each reporting date. If there is objective evidence of impairment, an impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss immediately.

For all equity instruments regardless of significance, and other financial assets that are individually significant, these are assessed individually for impairment. Other financial assets are either assessed individually or grouped on the basis of similar credit risk characteristics.

Any reversals of impairment are recognised in profit or loss immediately, to the extent that the reversal does not result in a carrying amount of the financial asset that exceeds what the carrying amount would have been had the impairment not previously been recognised.

**Taxation**

The charity is an exempt charity within the meaning of schedule 3 Of the Charities Act 2011 and is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes.

**Going concern**

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as the trustees believe that no material uncertainties exist. The trustees have considered the level of funds held and the expected level of income and expenditure for 12 months from authorising these financial statements. The budgeted income and expenditure are sufficient with the level of reserves for the charity to be able to continue as a going concern.

**4. Limited by guarantee**

The company is a private company limited by guarantee and has no share capital. In the event of winding up the members' liability is restricted to £1.

**5. Staff costs**

The average number of persons employed by the company during the year amounted to 3 (2020: 3).

The aggregate payroll costs incurred during the year were:

|                    | 2021    | 2020    |
|--------------------|---------|---------|
|                    | £       | £       |
| Wages and salaries | 111,378 | 110,450 |

No employee received total employee benefits of more than £60,000.

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**6. Auditor's remuneration**

Profit before taxation is stated after charging:

|  | 2021          | 2020         |
|--|---------------|--------------|
|  | £             | £            |
| Fees payable for the audit of the financial statements | <u>10,080</u> | <u>7,740</u> |

**7. Intangible Assets**

|                             | Trademarks<br>£ | Total<br>£    |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| <b>Cost</b>                 |                 |               |
| At 1 October 2020           | 4,958           | 4,958         |
| Additions                   | <u>12,524</u>   | <u>12,524</u> |
| <b>At 30 September 2021</b> | <u>17,482</u>   | <u>17,482</u> |
| <b>Amortisation</b>         |                 |               |
| At 1 October 2020           | -               | -             |
| Charge for the year         | <u>1,444</u>    | <u>1,444</u>  |
| <b>At 30 September 2020</b> | <u>1,444</u>    | <u>1,444</u>  |
| <b>Carrying amount</b>      |                 |               |
| <b>At 30 September 2021</b> | <u>16,038</u>   | <u>16,038</u> |
| At 1 October 2020           | <u>4,958</u>    | <u>4,958</u>  |

**8. Tangible Assets**

|                             | Freehold<br>property<br>£ | Fixtures,<br>fittings &<br>equipment<br>£ | Total<br>£       |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|---|------------------|
| <b>Fair Value/Cost</b>      |                           |   |                  |
| At 1 October 2020           | 3,125,000                 | 31,351                                    | 3,156,351        |
| Additions                   | <u>-</u>                  | <u>3,702</u>                              | <u>3,702</u>     |
| <b>At 30 September 2021</b> | <u>3,125,000</u>          | <u>35,053</u>                             | <u>3,160,053</u> |
| <b>Depreciation</b>         |                           |   |                  |
| At 1 October 2020           | -                         | 8,265                                     | 8,265            |
| Charge for the year         | <u>-</u>                  | <u>7,703</u>                              | <u>7,703</u>     |
| <b>At 30 September 2021</b> | <u>-</u>                  | <u>15,968</u>                             | <u>15,968</u>    |
| <b>Carrying amount</b>      |                           |   |                  |
| <b>At 30 September 2021</b> | <u>3,125,000</u>          | <u>19,085</u>                             | <u>3,144,085</u> |
| At 1 October 2020           | <u>3,125,000</u>          | <u>23,086</u>                             | <u>3,148,086</u> |

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The freehold property was valued by White Druce & Brown Property Consultants in February 2019, in accordance with the relevant sections and standards contained within the current edition of the RICS Valuation - Global Standards 2017, incorporating the International Valuation Standards Global and the UK (the "Red Book"). The directors believe that this valuation still represents the fair value at the year-end.

**9. Investment Properties**

|   | £         |
|---|-----------|
| <b>Fair Value</b>                       |           |
| At 1 October 2020 and 30 September 2021 | 2,160,000 |

The investment property was valued by White Druce & Brown Property Consultants in February 2019, in accordance with the relevant sections and standards contained within the current edition of the RICS Valuation - Global Standards 2017, incorporating the International Valuation Standards Global and the UK (the "Red Book"). The directors believe that this valuation still represents the fair value at the year-end.

**10. Fixed Asset Investments**

|                             | Listed<br>investment<br>s<br>£ | Other<br>investments<br>£ | Total<br>£       |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|
| <b>Cost</b>                 |                                |                           |                  |
| At 1 October 2020           | 3,652,264                      | 100                       | 3,652,364        |
| Additions                   | -                              | -                         | -                |
| Disposals/transfers         | (40,713)                       | -                         | (40,713)         |
| Valuation changes           | 539,028                        | -                         | 539,028          |
| <b>At 30 September 2021</b> | <u>4,150,579</u>               | <u>100</u>                | <u>4,150,679</u> |

**Carrying amount**

|                      |                  |            |                  |
|----------------------|------------------|------------|------------------|
| At 30 September 2021 | <u>4,150,579</u> | <u>100</u> | <u>4,150,679</u> |
| At 1 October 2020    | <u>3,652,264</u> | <u>100</u> | <u>3,652,364</u> |

Other investments relate to an 100% investment in a dormant subsidiary.

Name of undertaking: The Theosophical Publishing House Limited  
Registered office: 50 Gloucester Place, London, W1U 8EA

**11. Debtors: amounts falling due within one-year**

|                         | 2021<br>£     | 2020<br>£     |
|-------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Trade debtors           | 127           | 1,811         |
| Other debtors           | 9,157         | 9,293         |
| Prepayments and accrued | 17,125        | 43,462        |
|                         | <u>26,409</u> | <u>54,566</u> |

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|   |               |               |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| <b>12. Creditors: amounts falling due within one-year</b> | <b>2021</b>   | <b>2020</b>   |
|   | £             | £             |
| Trade creditors   | 22,347        | 4,749         |
| Other creditors   | 18,247        | 14,221        |
| Accruals and deferred income                              | 23,641        | 30,637        |
|   | <u>64,235</u> | <u>49,607</u> |

**13. Ethical Standards**

In common with businesses of a similar size and nature, the auditors are used to preparing returns for the tax authorities and assist with the preparation of the financial statements.

**14. Trustees Remuneration**

Two of the Trustees were paid £11,000 in total for specialist management and accountancy services. In the prior year the equivalent costs were £11,000 in total.

**15. Operating lease commitments - lessor**

At the reporting end date there were contracted leases in place with tenants for the following minimum lease payments:

|                            |                |                |
|----------------------------|----------------|----------------|
|                            | <b>2021</b>    | <b>2020</b>    |
|                            | £              | £              |
| Within one year            | 108,000        | 108,000        |
| Between two and five years | 130,500        | 238,500        |
|                            | <u>238,500</u> | <u>346,500</u> |

**16. Cash generated from operations**

|   |                 |                  |
|---|-----------------|------------------|
|   | <b>2021</b>     | <b>2020</b>      |
|   | £               | £                |
| (Deficit)/Surplus for the year                                    | 522,015         | (333,410)        |
| Adjustments for:  |                 |                  |
| Investment income recognised in statement of financial activities | (98,599)        | (107,731)        |
| Fair value losses/gains on investments                            | (539,028)       | 253,621          |
| Depreciation and amortisation of fixed assets                     | 9,147           | 6,393            |
| Movements in working capital:                                     |                 |                  |
| Decrease/(Increase) in stocks                                     | (1,851)         | 361              |
| Decrease/(Increase) in debtors                                    | 28,157          | (5,410)          |
| Increase/(Decrease) in creditors                                  | 14,628          | 3,318            |
| <b>Cash (absorbed by)/generated from operations</b>               | <u>(65,531)</u> | <u>(182,858)</u> |

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**Detailed income statement**  
**Year ended 30 September 2021**

|                                | <b>2021</b>           | <b>2020</b>             |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
|                                | £                     | £                       |
| <b>Turnover</b>                |                       |                         |
| Donations received             | 120,586               | 11,129                  |
| Subscriptions                  | 10,200                | 11,265                  |
| Courses and conferences        | 3,210                 | 4,226                   |
| Investment income              | 98,599                | 107,731                 |
| Books and other income         | 17,856                | 3,183                   |
| Other interest income          | 661                   | 727                     |
| Rent receivable                | <u>109,355</u>        | <u>118,523</u>          |
|                                | 360,467               | 256,784                 |
| <b>Overheads</b>               |                       |                         |
| Administrative expenses        | <u>(377,480)</u>      | <u>(336,573)</u>        |
|                                | (377,480)             | (336,573)               |
| Net losses/gains on investment | 539,028               | (253,621)               |
| <b>Net movement in funds</b>   | <u><u>522,015</u></u> | <u><u>(333,410)</u></u> |

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**Detailed income statement (continued)**  
**Year ended 30 September 2021**

**Overheads**

**Administrative expenses**

|                                  | <b>2021</b>      | <b>2020</b>      |
|----------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
|                                  | £                | £                |
| Wages and salaries               | (111,378)        | (110,450)        |
| Management costs                 | (29,612)         | (30,102)         |
| Adyar and European fees          | (1,693)          | (2,052)          |
| Volunteer costs                  | -                | (189)            |
| Governance costs                 | -                | (3,001)          |
| Courses and conferences          | (12,399)         | (7,070)          |
| Rates                            | (17,109)         | (15,260)         |
| Light and heat                   | (6,870)          | (7,331)          |
| Cleaning                         | (2,445)          | (10,012)         |
| Telephone                        | (2,148)          | (2,291)          |
| Training                         | (3,032)          | (2,332)          |
| Legal and professional           | (82,732)         | (16,996)         |
| Speakers expenses                | (95)             | (1,418)          |
| Auditors remuneration            | (10,080)         | (7,740)          |
| Bank charges                     | (885)            | (713)            |
| Outreach, Planning & Development | (972)            | (2,576)          |
| Sundry costs                     | (409)            | (315)            |
| Magazine and publications        | (11,142)         | (11,836)         |
| Repairs & Maintenance            | (15,205)         | (32,573)         |
| IT and office expenditure        | (11,778)         | (11,150)         |
| Printing, postage and stationery | (7,339)          | (7,639)          |
| General insurances               | (20,807)         | (20,055)         |
| Wales merger                     | (1,968)          | (6,760)          |
| Depreciation                     | (7,703)          | (6,393)          |
| Amortisation                     | (1,444)          | -                |
| Website                          | (18,235)         | (20,319)         |
|                                  | <u>(377,480)</u> | <u>(336,573)</u> |