
THE BRITISH ASSOCIATION OF PAEDIATRIC SURGEONS
(A Company Limited by Guarantee)

UNAUDITED

TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS
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Trustees	Ian Sugarman (resigned 24 May 2025) Munther Haddad (resigned 30 April 2024) Clare Rees Irene Miliken (resigned 24 May 2025) Catherine Bradshaw Sean Marven, President Alexander McDonald Erica Makin Dhanya Mullassery Mark Roberts Jonathan Sutcliffe (appointed 30 April 2024) Gregor Walker (appointed 24 May 2025) Joseph Curry (appointed 24 May 2025)
Company registered number	09651049
Charity registered number	1175257
Registered office	The Royal College of Surgeons 35-43 Lincoln's Inn Fields London WC2A 3PE
Company secretary	Catherine Meaden
Independent Examiner	M Hewett FCA DChA Peters Elworthy & Moore Chartered Accountants Salisbury House Station Road Cambridge CB1 2LA
Bankers	HSBC Bank plc 210 High Holborn London WC1V 7HD
Solicitors	Turcan Connell Princes Exchange 1 Early Grey Street Edinburgh EH3 9EE
Investment Brokers	Seven Investment Management 55 Bishopsgate London EC2N 3AS

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TRUSTEES' REPORT
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The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year to 31 December 2024. The annual report serves the purposes of both a Trustees' report and a Directors' report under company law. The Trustees confirm that the annual report and financial statements of the charitable company comply with the current statutory requirements, the requirements of the charitable company's governing document and the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (second edition of the Charities SORP (FRS102) October 2019, effective 1 January 2019).

Since the charity qualifies as small under section 383, the strategic report required of medium and large companies under The Companies Act 2006 (Strategic Report and Director's Report) Regulations 2013 is not required.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due to the Charity Commission general guidance on public benefit.

The Association's objectives are to advance education for the public benefit of paediatric surgery by carrying out paediatric research and publishing the useful results into the public domain and by fostering professional relations with allied health surgeons overseas. From January 2019 the membership included Allied Health professionals, including nurses and expanded our membership to medical students who showed an interest in Paediatric Surgery.

The Association's objectives have been achieved through the following means:

- **Annual International Congress:** The congress in Sheffield marked our 70th Annual Congress, we had an exceptional number of delegates over the 4 days. The congress was held in an affordable location and Sheffield proved a popular location with delegates. The congress programme included invited international speakers and special interest group meetings looking at complex cases, symposia and a history session attended by many of our past presidents.
- **BAPS Strategic Document:** Work has resumed in earnest to update and finalise the BAPS strategic document, outlining in detail the principles and objectives of the association.
- **Research:** BAPS has supported research through different initiatives. Since the pandemic the funding for the Research Fellowship had been put on hold but discussions were initiated again in late 2024 to establish future fellowships. The Research Committee is under new leadership (bringing both clinical and basic science experience). At congress in 2025 there will be several meetings discussing research proposals for future work.
- **RCS Ed Leadership programme:** Annually funded (2024-25). Successful completion of this structured leadership programme run by RCS Ed. Funded by BAPS (in it's second year) for a Paediatric Surgeon (Senior trainee/Consultant within 5 years of CCT) to learn and develop leadership skills; to empower involvement and feedback within the Association. The programme has been agreed for a third year (2025-26)
- **Global Surgery:** The Congress in Sheffield saw the arrival of a full complement of Hugh Greenwood Scholars and the second PESI Minocha Fellow. The Scholars enjoyed the opportunity of joining congress and the Global surgery session was well attended. Several overseas skills courses had also been run by members of the Committee, including visitors from Indonesia, Pakistan, India, and Africa. There was also a substantial donation to extend the work of the Overseas Skills course in the far East especially Nepal.

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- **Postgraduate Education:** Two successful National Training Days were held in 2024, one at the congress in Sheffield, and the second in London as part of the Winter Meeting. The E-Learning platform is being reviewed along with other on-line resources for trainees.
- **New Consultants:** There was no New Consultants meeting in 2024, but will reconvene in 2025. There was also on-going work on mentoring and coaching for new Consultants.
- **Members Newsletter:** The membership receives information from the Honorary Secretary and president through regular email newsletters of events, courses of interest, research collaborations, national vacancies and grant opportunities. Additional communications are sent through social media including Bluesky, Facebook, Instagram and LinkedIn.
- **Sir Denis Browne Memorial Fund:** The Association administers the Sir Denis Browne Memorial Fund which is registered as a charity with the Charity Commission (charity number is 254384). It is included in these financial statements as a restricted fund as its trustees are the members of the Executive Committee of the British Association of Paediatric Surgeons by Trust Deed dated 21 September 1967. The purposes of the Fund are as stated in note 17 to the financial statements.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES

Four Executive committee meetings per annum: The role of the Executive is to review and advise on the charitable activities of BAPS and includes the Trustees, regional representatives, President of the British Association of Paediatric Urologists, President of the British Association of Paediatric Endoscopic Surgeons, Chair of the SAC, Royal College of Surgeons of England Representative, Representative of the Association of Surgeons of Great Britain and Ireland, and representative from the Nurses and paediatric surgery Trainees, and a lay member. The Executive also review all guidance and standards documents and approve allocation of funds for charitable activities. All Executive and Trustee work resumed in hybrid format so that those unable to travel could still participate in meetings.

Two Council meetings per annum: The purpose of these meetings are to engage members in activities of the Association, provide information on relevant research and quality improvement projects to all members. The meetings also act as an appropriate platform to inform members of changes relevant to the practice of Paediatric Surgery.

Active Committee's: Research, Ethics & International Affairs Committee.

Active subspecialty groups: The Association has various subspecialty interest groups namely; Trauma - UK Paediatric Colorectal Group (UKPCG) – Children's Upper Gastroenterology Group (CHUGS). Face to face meetings were held at both winter and summer congresses. The popularity of the SIG's continues to grow.

BAPS representatives sit on the following committees: Council of the Royal College of Surgeons of England Intercollegiate Examination Board - Specialty Advisory Committee (SAC) for Paediatric Surgery - Paediatric Liaison Committee (including the Association of Paediatric Anaesthesia (APA) and Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health (RCPCH)) - British Society of Paediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition Federation of Surgical Specialty Associations - Paediatric Critical Care and Specialised Surgery for Children Expert Stakeholder Panel - Specialised Surgery in Children Clinical Reference Group. BAPS Executive officers continued to be engaged with the Federation of Surgical Specialty Associations (FSSA) whose president is the outgoing president of BAPS, as well as the Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health (RCPCH) and the

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Association of Paediatric Anaesthetists (APA). This enables communication between allied groups providing care to children.

INVESTMENT POLICY AND PERFORMANCE

Team Asset Management Limited have the long term management of our investments. An investment portfolio is in place ensuring ethical grounds in keeping with the association. This precludes investing in tobacco companies, or those involved in arms manufacture.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Association's income is mainly derived from membership subscriptions and the return on its investments. Income raised towards the Annual International Congress was £181,020 (2023: £144,849). Annual congress expenditure incurred was £148,319 (2023: £119,153).

Total income for the year was £415,237, (2023: £335,064) and total expenditure was £327,647 (2023: £336,223) resulting in net surplus for the year of £87,590 (2023: deficit of £1,159) before gains on investments. In 2024 there were gains on investments of £34,361 (2023: gains of £53,371) leading to an increase in funds of £121,951 (2023: increase of £52,212).

Closing unrestricted funds at the end of the year were £274,639 (2023: £200,678) and restricted funds of £648,316 (2023: £600,326), making total funds carried forward of £922,955 (2023: £801,004).

RESERVES POLICY

The Executive Committee monitors the income and expenditure on a regular basis and takes investment decisions at periodic meetings. The Trustees' policy is to retain sufficient unrestricted reserves to meet its obligations and to ensure financial stability. The Executive Committee consider approximately 12 months of expenditure (or about £300,000) to be the appropriate level to comply with the stated policy of meeting the Association's financial obligations and ensuring financial stability.

At 31 December 2024, the free reserves including designated funds (total general trust funds less those funds held as tangible or intangible fixed assets) were £271,357 (2023: £196,225). The free reserves of the Association excluding designated funds were £95,757 (2023: £22,779).

PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

The main focus for the immediate future will be the generation of Workforce statistics to ensure the security of Paediatric Surgery for the next 10 years. Physician Assistants having an impact on training continues to be an issue. A new focus group on Neonatal surgery was established and work on setting guidelines for this important area will begin in earnest. The drafting of a strategic document was also in hand to ensure that the focus of BAPS remains relevant in the next 5 years.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

CONSTITUTION

The charity is registered as a charitable company limited by guarantee and is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 20 September 2017. It is a registered charity number 1175257.

The assets, liabilities and activities of The British Association of Paediatric Surgeons (an unincorporated charity), registered charity number 325122 were transferred to the new incorporated charity on 1 May 2018.

APPOINTMENT AND TRAINING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The management of the charity is the responsibility of the Executive Committee Members who are elected, appointed or co opted under the terms of the Trust deed.

The Charity Commission guidelines are circulated to all new members.

During the year, Executive Committee members were briefed and updated on relevant changes in legislation and financial procedures and are aware of the new requirements and guidelines relating to their performance.

The Trustees in office during the year were as follows:

Irene Miliken
Clare Rees
Catherine Bradshaw
Sean Marven
Dhanya Mullassery
Munther Haddad (resigned 30 April 2024)
Ian Sugarman
Alexander McDonald
Erica Makin
Jonathan Sutcliffe (appointed 30 April 2024)
Mark Roberts

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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The Trustees (who are also the directors of the charity for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial . Under company law, the Trustees 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 charity and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards (FRS 102) 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 Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity 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 charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



Erica Makin

Trustee

Date: 10 September 2025

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE BRITISH ASSOCIATION OF PAEDIATRIC SURGEONS ('the charity')

I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2024.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

As the Trustees of the charity (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 charity 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 charity'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

Since the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

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:

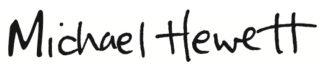
1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts 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.

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This report is made solely to the charity'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 charity'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 charity and the charity's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

Signed: 

M Hewett

Dated: 15 September 2025

FCA DChA

For an on behalf of Peters Elworthy & Moore
Salisbury House
Station Road
Cambridge
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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
INCOME FROM:					
Donations and legacies	2	6,383	124,496	130,879	81,293
Charitable activities	3	271,433	-	271,433	241,341
Investments	4	9,620	3,305	12,925	12,430
TOTAL INCOME		287,436	127,801	415,237	335,064
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Raising funds	5	9,849	-	9,849	9,296
Charitable activities	6	295,016	22,782	317,798	326,927
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		304,865	22,782	327,647	336,223
NET (EXPENDITURE)/INCOME BEFORE NET GAINS ON INVESTMENTS					
		(17,429)	105,019	87,590	(1,159)
Net gains on investments		32,296	2,065	34,361	53,371
NET INCOME		14,867	107,084	121,951	52,212
Transfers between funds	13	59,094	(59,094)	-	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		73,961	47,990	121,951	52,212
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:					
Total funds brought forward		200,678	600,326	801,004	748,792
Net movement in funds		73,961	47,990	121,951	52,212
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		274,639	648,316	922,955	801,004

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

The notes on pages 12 to 30 form part of these financial statements.

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REGISTERED NUMBER: 09651049

BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	9	3,282	4,453
Investments	10	844,954	807,517
		<u>848,236</u>	<u>811,970</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	11	28,568	18,502
Cash at bank and in hand		95,417	43,126
		<u>123,985</u>	<u>61,628</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	(49,266)	(72,594)
		<u>74,719</u>	<u>(10,966)</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS / LIABILITES		<u>74,719</u>	<u>(10,966)</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS		<u><u>922,955</u></u>	<u><u>801,004</u></u>
CHARITY FUNDS			
Restricted funds	13	648,316	600,326
Unrestricted funds	13	274,639	200,678
TOTAL FUNDS		<u><u>922,955</u></u>	<u><u>801,004</u></u>

The charity 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.

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BALANCE SHEET (CONTINUED)
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

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



Erica Makin

Trustee

Date: 10 September 2025

The notes on pages 12 to 30 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 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 British Association of Paediatric Surgeons 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.

There were no significant estimates or judgements made by management in preparing these financial statements.

The accounts have been presented for a period longer than one year, given that the yearend has been changed to align with the calendar year, and as such, comparative amounts presented in the financial statements (including the related notes) are not entirely comparable.

1.2 GOING CONCERN

The Trustees have reviewed the financial position of the Association and have reasonable expectation that the Association has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Accordingly, the financial statements continue to be prepared on the going concern basis.

1.3 INCOME

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

Dividends are recognised once the dividend has been declared and notification has been received of the amount. This is usually advised to the Association by the Investment Broker.

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the Association; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the Bank.

Annual Congress income is recognised in the period in which the congress is held.

Donations are recognised by the Association upon receipt.

Other income from charitable activities is recognised in the period to which it relates.

1.4 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.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

1.4 EXPENDITURE (CONTINUED)

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. All expenses including support costs and governance costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure headings. Support costs including governance costs are those costs incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the Charity.

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

Expenditure on raising funds relates to the Investment Broker's management fees and are recognised in the period to which they relate.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged against the expenditure heading for which it was incurred.

Expenditure on raising funds includes all expenditure incurred by the charity 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 charity's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

1.5 FOREIGN CURRENCIES

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at rates of exchange ruling at the reporting date.

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate ruling on the date of the transaction.

Exchange gains and losses are recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities.

1.6 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS AND DEPRECIATION

Tangible fixed assets are carried at cost, net of depreciation and any provision for impairment. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases:

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of tangible fixed assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives, .

Depreciation is provided on the following bases:

Furniture, fittings and equipment-	25% - 33% straight line
Website	- 33% straight line

1.7 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 fair value cannot be measured reliably in which case it is measured at cost less impairment.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

1.8 DEBTORS

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

1.9 CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short-term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

1.10 LIABILITIES

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 Association 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.

1.11 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The charity 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.

1.12 PENSIONS

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

1.13 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 charity 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 charity 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.

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2. INCOME FROM DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
Donations	-	39,496	39,496	77,562
Grants	-	85,000	85,000	-
Other donations	6,383	-	6,383	3,731
	<u>6,383</u>	<u>124,496</u>	<u>130,879</u>	<u>81,293</u>
	<u>13,980</u>	<u>67,313</u>	<u>81,293</u>	
TOTAL 2023				

3. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
Membership subscriptions	60,465	60,465	67,122
Annual congress	181,020	181,020	144,849
Other UK member activities	29,948	29,948	29,370
	<u>271,433</u>	<u>271,433</u>	<u>241,341</u>

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
Dividend and interest from investments	9,620	3,305	12,925	12,430
	<u>9,256</u>	<u>3,174</u>	<u>12,430</u>	
TOTAL 2023				

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5. INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT COSTS

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
Investment management fees	9,849	9,849	9,296

6. ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE BY ACTIVITIES

	Activities undertaken directly 2024 £	Support costs 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
Charitable activities	201,858	115,940	317,798	326,927
TOTAL 2023	180,180	146,747	326,927	

In 2023, £27,814 was spent from restricted funds, with the balance being met from unrestricted funds.

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6. ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE BY ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED)

ANALYSIS OF DIRECT COSTS

	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
Annual Congress expenditure	148,319	119,153
Munther Haddad prize	-	150
IAC Overseas Skills courses	16,782	24,684
IAC Hugh Greenwood Travelling Fellowship award	6,000	2,980
Joint meeting	-	9,951
UK member meeting costs, training days	27,790	18,381
Other event costs	-	1,448
Members' database	2,967	3,433
	201,858	180,180

ANALYSIS OF SUPPORT COSTS

	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
Wages and salaries	97,876	93,964
Office costs	30,901	20,259
Bank interest and charges	3,725	5,885
Exchange rate variance	553	2,701
Reversal of prior year accruals	(30,688)	-
Professional fees	3,562	4,203
Other Trustees' general expenses	2,561	9,624
Executive costs	516	2,298
Other accountancy fees (governance)	4,629	4,481
Independent Examiner's fees (governance)	3,402	3,332
Internal audits and surveys	(1,097)	-
	115,940	146,747

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7. INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REMUNERATION

	2024 £	2023 £
Fees payable to the charity's independent examiner in respect of:		
Independent Examination	3,402	3,250
Other services	4,629	4,481

8. STAFF COSTS, KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL, TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

	2024 £	2023 £
Staff costs were as follows:		
Wages and salaries	89,973	86,879
Social security costs	5,204	4,479
Contribution to defined contribution pension schemes	2,699	2,606
	97,876	93,964

The average number of persons employed by the charity during the year was as follows:

	2024 No.	2023 No.
Staff	2	2

The average headcount expressed as full-time equivalents was:

	2024 No.	2023 No.
Staff	1	1

No employee received remuneration amounting to more than £60,000 in either year.

The Association considers its key management personnel to be the Trustees, who all give their time and expertise without any form of remuneration or other benefit in kind (2023: £Nil)

The charity paid Trustee expenses (including costs of attending conferences on behalf of the Association), which were either paid to the Trustee or directly to a third party on their behalf, during the year which totalled £2,050 (2023: £9,624) for 4 (2023: 6) Trustees.

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9. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Office equipment £	Computer equipment £	Other fixed assets £	Total £
COST				
At 1 January 2024	1,554	4,602	64,787	70,943
Additions	-	899	-	899
At 31 December 2024	1,554	5,501	64,787	71,842
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 January 2024	736	967	64,787	66,490
Charge for the year	389	1,681	-	2,070
At 31 December 2024	1,125	2,648	64,787	68,560
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 December 2024	429	2,853	-	3,282
At 31 December 2023	818	3,635	-	4,453

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10. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Listed investments £	Cash £	Total £
COST OR VALUATION			
At 1 January 2024	776,055	31,462	807,517
Revaluations	34,361	-	34,361
Cash movement	-	3,076	3,076
At 31 December 2024	<u>810,416</u>	<u>34,538</u>	<u>844,954</u>

All the fixed assets investments are held in the UK.

All investments are carried at their fair value. Investment in equities and fixed interest securities are all traded in quoted public markets. Holdings in common investment funds, unit trusts and open ended investment companies are at the bid price. The basis of fair value for quoted investments is equivalent to the market value, using the bid price. Asset sales and purchases are recognised at the date of trade at cost (that is their transaction value).

The Association outsources the investment portfolio management to an investment management company called Seven Investment Management. Seven Investment Management is operating an investment policy that provides for a degree of diversification of holdings within different unit trust investments and fixed interest products. The Association has invested in a number of unit trusts in order to protect the Association's exposure to volatility in the market. Since 2017 the risk factor of the portfolio has been 6.

The Association does not invest in tobacco companies, or those involved in arms manufacture or other activities deemed to be harmful to children at large.

The Association does not make use of derivatives and similar complex financial instruments as it takes the view that investments are held for their longer term growth and annual income.

The Association has no material investment holdings in markets subject to exchange controls or trading restrictions.

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11. DEBTORS

	2024	2023
	£	£
DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		
Trade debtors	12,558	11,535
Other debtors	-	345
Prepayments and accrued income	16,010	6,622
	28,568	18,502

12. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
Bank overdrafts	-	672
Trade creditors	608	1,951
Deferred income	-	100
Accruals and deferred income	48,658	69,871
	49,266	72,594

	2024	2023
	£	£
Deferred income at 1 January 2024	26,155	27,254
Resources deferred during the year	28,832	26,155
Amounts released from previous periods	(26,155)	(27,254)
	28,832	26,155

Deferred income relates to membership subscriptions received in advance of the period.

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13. STATEMENT OF FUNDS

STATEMENT OF FUNDS - CURRENT YEAR

	Balance at 1 January 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 December 2024 £
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS						
DESIGNATED FUNDS						
Research (Meeker)	151,913	-	-	-	-	151,913
President Prize	2,500	-	(1,750)	-	-	750
Outcome Activities	12,605	-	-	-	-	12,605
Trainee Activities	6,428	4,327	(423)	-	-	10,332
	<u>173,446</u>	<u>4,327</u>	<u>(2,173)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>175,600</u>
GENERAL FUNDS						
General Funds	<u>27,232</u>	<u>283,109</u>	<u>(302,692)</u>	<u>59,094</u>	<u>32,296</u>	<u>99,039</u>
TOTAL UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	<u>200,678</u>	<u>287,436</u>	<u>(304,865)</u>	<u>59,094</u>	<u>32,296</u>	<u>274,639</u>

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13. STATEMENT OF FUNDS (CONTINUED)

RESTRICTED FUNDS

Sir Denis Browne Memorial Fund	99,068	3,305	-	-	-	102,373
Hugh Greenwood Travelling Fellowship Fund	49,366	-	(3,000)	(36,321)	2,065	12,110
Hugh Greenwood Overseas Skills Course	88,522	-	(11,024)	(11,696)	-	65,802
E-Learning Project Fund	85,341	-	-	-	-	85,341
Meeker Bequest Research Fund	148,673	25,776	-	-	-	174,449
H Greenwood Paediatric Surgical Traveller Fund	38,487	-	(3,000)	1,513	-	37,000
Improving Surgical Survival in Children in Nepal	45,314	85,000	(5,758)	(12,590)	-	111,966
Dr Rameshwar Nath Minocha PESI-BAPS Travelling Fellowship	33,772	13,720	-	-	-	47,492
David Lloyd Prize	583	-	-	-	-	583
Munther Haddad Prize	1,200	-	-	-	-	1,200
International Surgical Instruments	10,000	-	-	-	-	10,000
	<u>600,326</u>	<u>127,801</u>	<u>(22,782)</u>	<u>(59,094)</u>	<u>2,065</u>	<u>648,316</u>
TOTAL OF FUNDS	<u><u>801,004</u></u>	<u><u>415,237</u></u>	<u><u>(327,647)</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>34,361</u></u>	<u><u>922,955</u></u>

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13. STATEMENT OF FUNDS (CONTINUED)

General Funds

The General Fund encompasses all unrestricted activities of the charity. The trustees consider that the Annual Congress falls within the general activities of the Association.

Designated Funds

In previous periods separate designated funds existed for various BAPS awards, however in 2016 those funds were transferred into the general unrestricted fund. Due to the historic importance of the individuals named in the original designations, their names will continue to be recorded for future reference and are as follows:

Dr Irving A Meeker (Junior)
Peter Paul Rickham

The Trustees have instead decided to set up a number of designated funds to cover specific expenditure categories, as follows:

Research (Meeker) - This fund will allow the continued provision of research fellowships of up to £32,500 per year, which have previously been met from restricted fund income.

Peter Paul Rickham Prize - This award was established in 1992 and was initially presented for the best publication in the Journal of Pediatric Surgery. Since 1994, the prize was awarded to the best paper presented by a trainee at the PPR prize session at the annual congress.

President Prize - This fund will allow a President's Prize to be awarded at the annual congress.

Outcome Activities - This will go towards support costs incurred in maintaining and providing clinical outcome information to members, including BAPS-CASS, Dendrite and SWORD.

Trainees Activities - This will support trainee members activities for the next two years.

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13. STATEMENT OF FUNDS (CONTINUED)

Restricted Funds

The Sir Denis Browne Memorial Fund - This fund commemorates Sir Denis Browne, the first President of the Association. The purpose of the Fund is to make an annual award to mark outstanding contributions to paediatric surgery and furthering study and research into diseases affecting children.

Hugh Greenwood Travelling Fellowship Fund - This fund was established in 2006. Its purpose is to promote the advancement of paediatric surgery in developing countries by enabling paediatric surgeons in such countries to spend time in paediatric surgical units in the UK for periods of two to three months.

Hugh Greenwood Overseas Skills Course - This fund was established in 2007. Its purpose is to create a teaching course which will be run by BAPS members in overseas centres, the majority of which will be in developing countries. Its aim will be to encourage the exchange of surgical skills and experience between UK and overseas members.

E-learning Project - This fund was established in 2009. Funding was provided by the Department of Health for an E-learning project.

Meeker Bequest Research Fund - The Meeker Bequest Research Fund is directed to supporting Research Fellowships. The actual award made in respect of 2017 was less than the accrual and this has resulted in a write back of expenditure against this fund.

Hugh Greenwood Paediatric Surgical Traveller - This fund was established in 2013 and available to a BAPS member (trainee or up to 12 months of completion of training) who wish to travel to a developing country to contribute to the surgical practice of that country in respect of contemporary educational and clinical methods.

Hugh Greenwood Fund for Improving Surgical Survival in Children in Nepal - This fund was established in 2015. It is to be used to host projects, via Mr Simon Kenny, related to Nepalese paediatric surgical care.

Dr Rameshwar Nath Minocha PESI-BAPS Travelling Fellowship - This fund was established at the end of 2019 in memory of Dr Minocha with the intention to make an award to allow a fellow to attend the 2020 BAPS conference.

David Lloyd Prize - This fund was established with the intention to make an award at the Annual Congress.

Munther Haddad Prize - This fund was established with the intention to make an award at the Annual Congress.

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13. STATEMENT OF FUNDS (CONTINUED)

International Surgical Instruments - This fund has been set up to buy instruments for the Overseas Skills courses. It is restricted to only buying instruments approved by the IAC.

Transfers are made between the unrestricted general fund and restricted funds, where excess costs on restricted funds have been met through unrestricted funds.

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13. STATEMENT OF FUNDS (CONTINUED)

STATEMENT OF FUNDS - PRIOR YEAR

	Balance at 1 January 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 December 2023 £
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS						
DESIGNATED FUNDS						
Research (Meeker)	151,913	-	-	-	-	151,913
Peter Paul Rickman Prize	540	-	(1,750)	1,210	-	-
President Prize	2,500	-	-	-	-	2,500
Outcome Activities	12,605	-	-	-	-	12,605
Trainee Activities	6,428	-	-	-	-	6,428
	<u>173,986</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,750)</u>	<u>1,210</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>173,446</u>
GENERAL FUNDS						
General Funds - all funds	<u>18,725</u>	<u>264,577</u>	<u>(306,659)</u>	<u>(1,210)</u>	<u>51,799</u>	<u>27,232</u>
TOTAL UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	<u>192,711</u>	<u>264,577</u>	<u>(308,409)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>51,799</u>	<u>200,678</u>

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13. STATEMENT OF FUNDS (CONTINUED)

RESTRICTED FUNDS

Sir Denis Browne Memorial Fund	94,322	3,174	-	-	1,572	99,068
Hugh Greenwood Travelling Fellowship Fund	42,346	10,000	(2,980)	-	-	49,366
Hugh Greenwood Overseas Skills Course	113,206	-	(24,684)	-	-	88,522
E-Learning Project Fund	85,341	-	-	-	-	85,341
Meeker Bequest Research Fund	115,132	33,541	-	-	-	148,673
H Greenwood Paediatric Surgical Traveller Fund	38,487	-	-	-	-	38,487
Improving Surgical Survival in Children in Nepal	45,314	-	-	-	-	45,314
Dr Rameshwar Nath Minocha PESI-BAPS Travelling Fellowship	20,000	13,772	-	-	-	33,772
David Lloyd Prize	583	-	-	-	-	583
Munther Haddad Prize	1,350	-	(150)	-	-	1,200
International Surgical Instruments	-	10,000	-	-	-	10,000
	<u>556,081</u>	<u>70,487</u>	<u>(27,814)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,572</u>	<u>600,326</u>
TOTAL OF FUNDS	<u>748,792</u>	<u>335,064</u>	<u>(336,223)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>53,371</u>	<u>801,004</u>

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14. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS - CURRENT PERIOD

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £
Tangible fixed assets	3,282	-	3,282
Fixed asset investments	746,162	98,792	844,954
Current assets	(425,539)	549,524	123,985
Creditors due within one year	(49,266)	-	(49,266)
TOTAL	274,639	648,316	922,955

ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS - PRIOR PERIOD

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £
Tangible fixed assets	4,453	-	4,453
Fixed asset investments	712,896	94,621	807,517
Current assets	(444,077)	505,705	61,628
Creditors due within one year	(72,594)	-	(72,594)
TOTAL	200,678	600,326	801,004

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15. PENSION COMMITMENTS

The charity operates a defined contributions pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity in an independently administered fund. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the charity to the fund and amounted to £2,699 (2023: £2,606). Contributions totalling £487 (2023: £490) were payable to the fund at the balance sheet date and are included in creditors.

16. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During 2023, one of the trustees made a donation of £1,500 to the charity, to be used as prize money at future Annual Congresses. This has been included as a restricted donation in the Munther Haddad fund. No such donation was made in 2024.

There were no other related party transactions in the current or prior year.