

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1181867

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024
FOR
THE WOLLSTONECRAFT SOCIETY

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The purpose of the charity is to carry Mary Wollstonecraft's legacy of human rights, equality and justice into young people's lives. This is to be achieved by supporting the advancement of:

- Education
- Citizenship
- Community development
- Arts, culture and heritage in places associated with Mary Wollstonecraft
- Religious and racial harmony
- Equality and diversity

Significant activities

The early part of the year was spent designing, administering and implementing a robust recruitment process, which saw our first employee start mid-way through the year as the Programme Development Manager. Our Programme Development Manager was generously funded for three years by a donor.

In May 2024 we held our fourth annual Mary Wollstonecraft lecture, generously hosted by London School of Economics International Inequalities Institute. We were honoured to welcome Baroness Shami Chakrabarti, renowned British human rights lawyer, to discuss her latest book *Human Rights: The Case for the Defence*. She was joined in conversation by the late Professor Conor Gearty and writer Bee Rowlatt, Chair of the Wollstonecraft Society.

We were delighted that it could be both in person and online.

The Programme Development Manager started employment in June 2024. Working from home, in the Hull and East Riding of Yorkshire area, the initial months were spent establishing the new role. This included developing new company infrastructure, building partnerships and relationships relevant to our work and Mary Wollstonecraft in the local East Yorkshire area. Moreover, a significant amount of work was done in laying the groundwork for the in-person work with schools and in the community. Two focus groups and consultation processes took place; one with a group of primary school teachers to develop the Wollstonecraft Society Schools Award for Primary Schools and another with Secondary school teachers to establish creative and unique pilot projects for Secondary level students, focussed on enriching and supporting the curriculum in key subject areas such as English, History, PSCE, Drama and Art. An additional creative workshop took place with a group of students at Beverley High School, aged between 11–16 years, which influenced the first project delivered in the school, postponed from late 2024 into early 2025.

The latter part of the year included developing partnerships with locally and nationally renowned community and arts organisations including Cornerhouse, mental health charity, Pilot Theatre, Hull Truck Theatre and HEY Children's University, to plan new collaborative projects for 2025, including activity connected to 'Mary and the Hyenas' theatre production and a unique human rights and leadership course 'Young People who Lead'.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

We have ended 2024 with reserves of £57,650. These are primarily held for the employment of our programme development manager who in turn is focussed on carrying Mary Wollstonecraft's legacy of human rights and equality into the lives of children and young people. We envisage further fundraising will be required as different activities within this remit come to fruition. As a small, volunteer lead charity we had modest outgoings in 2024 other than the cost of employing the programme development manager and some limited costs associated with our charitable activities. Our financial position remains stable and in line with our budget projections.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust.

The Wollstonecraft Society is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation run by volunteers. Our six Trustees (as at 31 December 2024) are supported by additional volunteers with the skills we require to meet our objects and from June 2024 by our programme development manager.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1181867

Principal address

277a Upper Street
London
N1 2TZ

Trustees

C Bradshaw (Appointed 1 April 2025)
S Gulamhusein
D Robinson
B Rowlatt
S Sonmez (Appointed 23 March 2025)
C Utley (Resigned 17 September 2024)
C Wright (Appointed 27 March 2025)

Independent Examiner

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales, the Charities Act 2022, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- 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 proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2022, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. 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.

21 Oct 2025

Approved by order of the board of trustees on and signed on its behalf by:

Chris Wright

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C Wright - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
THE WOLLSTONECRAFT SOCIETY**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Wollstonecraft Society

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Wollstonecraft Society (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2022 ('the Act').

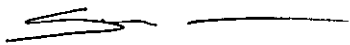
I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under Section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by Section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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.



Shaun Muller
FCCA ACA
Cornfield Accountants Limited
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Date: 22/10/25

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

		2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
	Notes		
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies		30,601	31,350
Investment income	2	<u>1,257</u>	<u>513</u>
Total		<u>31,858</u>	<u>31,863</u>
 EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds		1,886	-
 Charitable activities			
Development, launch and delivery of educational materials		6,289	2,149
Other		<u>8,332</u>	<u>1,280</u>
Total		<u>16,507</u>	<u>3,429</u>
 NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		15,351	28,434
 RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		<u>42,299</u>	<u>13,865</u>
 TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>57,650</u>	<u>42,299</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

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BALANCE SHEET
31 DECEMBER 2024

		2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
	Notes		
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	5	-	-
Cash at bank		<u>59,220</u>	<u>42,785</u>
		59,220	42,785
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	6	(1,570)	(486)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>57,650</u>	<u>42,299</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		57,650	42,299
NET ASSETS		<u>57,650</u>	<u>42,299</u>
FUNDS	7		
Unrestricted funds		<u>57,650</u>	<u>42,299</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>57,650</u>	<u>42,299</u>

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

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C Wright - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, 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)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2022. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Going concern

There are no material uncertainties that cast doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Income

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

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, 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 accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings, they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The Charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the Charity pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate. Pension costs are allocated to activities on the same basis as set out in the allocation and apportionment of costs policy stated below.

Allocation and apportionment of costs

The Charity's operating costs include staff and pension costs. Such costs are allocated between different expenditure categories including charitable activity, fundraising, management and administration. Where costs cannot be directly attributable to direct charitable expenditure or other expenditure, they have been apportioned based on an estimate of time spent in each of these categories.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

2. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2024	2023
	£	£
Deposit account interest	<u>1,257</u>	<u>513</u>

3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2024 nor for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Trustees' expenses

During the year, three (2023: three) Trustees' were reimbursed for travel to schools to speak about Mary Wollstonecraft, and the printing and postage of certificates and comics about Mary Wollstonecraft. This expenditure was incurred wholly, exclusively and necessarily in the performance of their duties as Trustees.

4. STAFF COSTS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and salaries	12,318	-
Pension costs	<u>260</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>12,578</u>	<u>-</u>

Included in defined contribution pension costs is an accrual for unpaid pensions of £90 (2023: £nil).

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2024	2023
Support staff	1	-

5. DEBTORS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Other debtors	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

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6. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
Taxation & social security	631	-
Other creditors & accruals	<u>939</u>	<u>486</u>
	<u>1,570</u>	<u>486</u>

7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/1/24	Net movement in funds	At 31/12/24
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	42,299	15,351	57,650
	<u>42,299</u>	<u>15,351</u>	<u>57,650</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>42,299</u>	<u>15,351</u>	<u>57,650</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	31,858	(16,507)	15,351
	<u>31,858</u>	<u>(16,507)</u>	<u>15,351</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>31,858</u>	<u>(16,507)</u>	<u>15,351</u>

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7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/1/23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/12/23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	13,865	28,434	42,299
	<u>13,865</u>	<u>28,434</u>	<u>42,299</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>13,865</u>	<u>28,434</u>	<u>42,299</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	31,863	3,429	28,434
	<u>31,863</u>	<u>3,429</u>	<u>28,434</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>31,863</u>	<u>3,429</u>	<u>28,434</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1/1/23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/12/24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	13,865	43,785	57,650
	<u>13,865</u>	<u>43,785</u>	<u>57,650</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>13,865</u>	<u>43,785</u>	<u>57,650</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	63,721	(19,936)	43,785
	<u>63,721</u>	<u>(19,936)</u>	<u>43,785</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>63,721</u>	<u>(19,936)</u>	<u>43,785</u>

8. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2024.

THE WOLLSTONECRAFT SOCIETY**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	30,601	31,350
Gift aid	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	30,601	31,350
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	<u>1,257</u>	<u>513</u>
Total incoming resources	31,858	31,863
EXPENDITURE		
Raising funds		
Support costs – staff	1,886	-
Charitable activities		
Support costs – staff	6,289	2,149
Other costs		
Management		
Accountancy & professional fees	1,453	612
Admin costs	111	-
Recruitment expenditure	912	-
Staff costs	2,515	-
Minor equipment	<u>804</u>	<u>-</u>
	5,795	612
Finance		
Bank charges	60	60
Governance costs		
Computer running costs	590	608
Staff costs	<u>1,887</u>	<u>-</u>
	2,477	608
Total resources expended	16,507	3,429
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Net (expenditure)/income	<u>15,351</u>	<u>28,434</u>

This page does not form part of the statutory financial statements