

# THE GERMAN HISTORY SOCIETY

England & Wales · Charity number 1182341

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Other

**Registered** 2019-03-06

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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## Activities

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**Objects:** THE OBJECTS OF THE SOCIETY ARE, FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT IN THE UNITED KINGDOM AND THE REPUBLIC OF IRELAND, TO ADVANCE EDUCATION IN, AND PROMOTE THE STUDY OF, GERMAN HISTORY, INCLUDING THE HISTORY OF GERMAN-SPEAKING LANDS, IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY:(A) ORGANISING PUBLIC CONFERENCES, LECTURES AND EVENTS ON TOPICS RELATING TO GERMAN HISTORY;(B) CREATING AND FOSTERING LINKS BETWEEN ACADEMICS, STUDENTS, SCHOLARLY BODIES AND OTHER INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANISATIONS ENGAGED WITH OR INTERESTED IN GERMAN HISTORY;(C) PRODUCING AND DISSEMINATING PUBLICATIONS, ONLINE RESOURCES AND OTHER MEDIA TO PROVIDE INFORMATION RELATING TO THE SUBJECT AND STUDY OF GERMAN HISTORY; AND(D) PROVIDING GRANTS AND BURSARIES FOR STUDY OR RESEARCH INTO GERMAN HISTORY, AND AWARDING PRIZES FOR EXCEPTIONAL ACADEMIC WORK RELATING TO GERMAN HISTORY, IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY TO STUDENTS AND EARLY CAREER SCHOLARS.

**Activities:** To advance education in, and promote the study of, German history, including the history of German-speaking lands by organising events, producing and disseminating publications, fostering academic links, and providing relevant grants, bursaries and prizes.

## Classification

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- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Sponsors Or Undertakes Research
- **What:** Education/training, Arts/culture/heritage/science
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- Ireland
- Northern Ireland
- Scotland
- Throughout England And Wales

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-06-30	£54,619	£65,578	-	-
2024-06-30	£59,653	£54,883	-	-
2023-06-30	£52,155	£45,966	-	-
2022-06-30	£56,991	£56,253	-	-
2021-06-30	£46,164	£13,780	-	-
2020-06-30	£54,025	£24,258	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
<b>Professor Mark Hewitson</b>	Chair	2023-09-01
Dr Anna Ross		2022-01-01
Dr Craig Griffiths		2025-09-06
Dr Edmund Hugh Wareham		2023-09-09
Dr Emily Andrea Steinhauer		2025-09-06
Dr Joseph Cronin		2023-09-09
Dr Marina Perez de Arcos		2024-09-07
Dr Roisin Gertrude Watson		2023-09-09
Professor Benjamin Ziemann		2025-09-06
Professor Bridget Margaret Heal		2021-09-05
Professor Tim Grady		2024-09-09

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# Accounts

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## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **01/07/2024** Period start date To **30/06/2025**

Charity name: **The German History Society**

Charity registration number: **1182341**

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		and section 2 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.
<p>Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.</p>	<p>Para 1.17 and 1.19</p>	<p>The Society promotes learning in the history of Germany and the German-speaking world. It does this, broadly, through events, publication/dissemination of print and online information, awarding grants for study/research and fostering a network of academics, students and other individuals and organisations interested in the discipline.</p> <p>The Society exists to benefit the public at large and many benefits are accessible to all. However, the Society encourages those with an interest in German history to become members and membership confers additional benefits. Membership is easy to obtain and affordable: the cost is £34/year for general membership and £4/year for student membership, which is a lower fee than that charged by many other membership organisations.</p> <p>Members of the Society can access various benefits, which are designed to promote their learning, including automatic subscription to the Society's own journal, eligibility to apply for bursaries/grants and free attendance at the Society's annual conference and various other events.</p> <p>The Society's journal, <i>German History</i>, includes articles/research and other information relevant the field and represents an excellent educational resource. In addition, the Society's website includes a comprehensive list of links to relevant study and research resources, to assist students, scholars and other interested parties to develop their learning in the area.</p> <p>The Society's annual conference and other events provide a platform for leading speakers in German history to showcase their work and educate attendees. These events also facilitate networking between those working, studying or interested in the discipline, thereby providing opportunities to advance education through the sharing of knowledge and ideas.</p> <p>Bursaries and grants allow students and early career scholars to fund items that otherwise may have been unaffordable to them, including study fees, research trips, attending or putting on conferences/events, language training, amongst other things. These awards, therefore, broaden access to the field and promote learning.</p> <p>The Society also awards various prizes for outstanding work in the field of German history, including a postgraduate essay prize, EDI prize and undergraduate dissertation prize, which are open to students at UK and Irish universities, and a prize for the best article published each year in <i>German History</i> journal.</p> <p>The Society exists to advance education in the history of Germany and the German-speaking world and is</p>

		<p>committed to activities that enable the public at large to become engaged in this discipline.</p> <p>Non-members can subscribe to the <i>German History</i> journal and attend the Society's annual conference and other events, subject to payment of a small fee. Therefore, many of the benefits enjoyed by members are available more widely at cost, and therefore, contribute to the Society's aims of advancing education in German history for the benefit of the public at large.</p> <p>Furthermore, membership of the Society is open to any person who is studying, teaching or researching German history, or who supports the aims of the Society or is simply interested in the topic. There is no limit on membership numbers. Therefore, although members gain benefits by virtue of their membership, anyone with an interest in the area can become a member and therefore enjoy these benefits.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees, in making decisions, have had due regard to the Commission's public benefit guidance when exercising any powers or duties to which the guidance is relevant.

**Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	

Other		

## Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p><b>Annual Conference</b></p> <p>In 2024, the Society's annual conference was held at Loughborough University from 4–6 September. The conference included around 65 participants (speakers, chairs, discussants) from across the globe, representing researchers at all levels from postgraduates and early career researchers to established senior scholars. Plenary keynote lectures were given by professors Lyndal Roper (University of Oxford), Paul Nolte (FU Berlin), and James Brophy (University of Delaware).</p> <p>Members and non-members alike were able to attend the conference and broaden their knowledge of German history and culture.</p> <p><b>Other Events</b></p> <p>On 4 September 2024, prior to the GHS annual conference, a workshop was held for Postgraduates and Early Career Researchers on effective grant-writing and submitting publications – this was well-attended.</p> <p>The GHS also provided support through its Impact and Outreach grant to fund the planning of a digital exhibition on Britain's response to the persecution of Jews under Nazism. Additionally, <i>Tanks on the Streets: The Uprising of 17 June 1953 in East Germany</i>, a free exhibition commemorating the 70th anniversary of the first Cold War uprising in Germany, was presented at the University of Chester. Some films and artworks were also shown at the Storyhouse Cultural Centre in Chester during the summer of 2023.</p>

## **Membership**

In May 2025, the Society had 180 members (98 waged and 82 unwaged). The high number of unwaged members suggests that the Society is accessible to them. The expanded use of multiple social media channels has played a significant role in this achievement.

Members of the Society are able to attend the annual conference without paying a fee, and are eligible for the Society's prizes, grants, and bursaries. Membership of the Society also includes a subscription to the internationally-acclaimed journal *German History*, which is published four times a year on behalf of the Society by Oxford University Press.

## **Grants**

Grant applications in most areas are high, which is encouraging. The decision to extend the definition of early career researchers from two to five years—reflecting the increasing challenges faced by postgraduates and ECRs—has been well received, enabling more precariously placed or early-stage scholars to undertake more ambitious work.

For a full financial breakdown of expenditure on grants and bursaries, see the Financial Review section below.

## **GHS Postgraduate awards 2024–5**

Small grants and bursaries:

### **Small Grants:**

£5,084.60 was awarded to 10 applicants in August 2024 (x 8 conference attendance, x2 research support)

£6,500 was awarded to 5 applicants in January 2025 (x 4 workshop/conference organisation, x1 conference travel)

£2,450 was awarded to 3 applicants in April 2025 (x1 workshop organisation, x 2 conference travel)

Up to £1,500 is available to applicants to fund research or conference travel or workshop/conference organisation.

### **Postgraduate Bursaries:**

£11,880 was awarded to 6 applicants in April 2024.

Up to £2,500 is available to applicants to fund language courses, archive study trips, fees or general maintenance.

**Hardship Funding:**

£500 was awarded to 1 applicant in August 2024.

Applications are offered for up to three grants of up to £500 each annually to support historians who are experiencing difficulties in carrying out their research owing to unexpected financial hardship.

**GHS – DAAD Language Grant:**

€850 was awarded, divided between the GHS and DAAD, to 1 applicant in April 2025 to attend a German language course.

**Exhibition and Outreach Funding Scheme**

The existing Exhibition Funding Scheme was expanded to include outreach activities and renamed Exhibition and Outreach Funding Scheme. During this reporting period, £6,452 was awarded and disbursed.

To highlight these initiatives at the annual conference, a dedicated panel for awardees was introduced. The application process has also been moved to a rolling basis to accommodate projects that do not align with the previous fixed April deadline.

Funding supported the launch of *The Wandering Jew* travelling exhibition (Parkes Institute for the Study of Jewish/non-Jewish Relations, University of Southampton), presented during Inter Faith Week as part of a literary, artistic, and historical programme. The exhibition explores how the legend has been reimagined as a vehicle for interfaith tolerance and as a motif of Jewish resilience and cultural richness.

Additional funding was awarded for *A Place of Refuge*, a portable exhibition on Jewish refugee academics who fled Nazi Germany and later built scholarly careers at the University of Southampton. It was displayed at the university's annual Hands-on Humanities Day in autumn 2024.

Further support was granted to Mercy Squad, a cooperative, in-person educational game to be implemented at New College Lanarkshire, Scotland. Aimed at Scottish Highers students—and suitable for A-level students across the UK—it examines the roles of perpetrators and rescuers in the Third Reich.

**Prizes**

[GHS Postgraduate Essay prize](#)

The GHS Postgraduate Essay Prize recognises outstanding research by postgraduate students in the field of German history and awards a prize of £500 to the winner of this annual essay competition. In addition, the essays are considered for publication in *German History* journal.

In 2025, the prize was advertised through a range of academic channels, and six submissions were received. Following review of the submissions, first prize was awarded to Anja Segmüller (University of Cambridge) for 'Body, Art, Collective: Künstlerinnengruppe Erfurt and Feminist Performance Art in the GDR and Beyond', and second prize to Emma Paterson (University of Cambridge) for 'German-Jewish Family History Research, c.1900–1945'.

#### GHS Undergraduate Essay Prize

The German History Society offers an annual prize of £300 for the best undergraduate dissertation on German History written by a student of history (single or joint honours, or in a cognate discipline) at a UK or Irish university. Runner-up prizes of £100 each may also be offered at the judges' discretion.

The prizes were awarded as follows:

1<sup>st</sup> Prize: Alexander Beard, "Migration according to plan": A cultural history of Vietnamese contract labour in East Germany, 1980-1990.'

Runner-Up: Eleanor Vincent, 'Representations of the body in the works of Mechthild of Magdeburg and Gertrude of Helfta, c. 1250-1302.' (University of Cambridge)

With the aim of making their research more accessible to a wider public and enhancing these students' visibility, we have reinvigorated the blog section of our website, where awardees contribute a post.

#### Rethinking German History Prize

The German History Society launched a new prize to recognise critical interventions in debates on gender, minorities, migration, ethnicity, and equality, as well as transnational and comparative history. The prize welcomes work engaging with critical race studies, LGBTQ+ and queer studies, and disability studies, in relation to any aspect of the history of Germany and the German-speaking world in its broadest global context.

The first *Rethinking German History Prize*, worth £500, was awarded to Miguel Gaete Cáceres for 'A New Moral World Order: Carl Alexander Simon and the German Colonization of Southern Chile' which was

published in the Society's journal *German History* in December 2024.

#### *German History Article Prize*

Each year *German History's* editorial board awards a prize on the behalf of The German History Society for the best article published in the journal. The prize is intended to showcase outstanding work from scholars of German history whatever their career stage, and the winner is invited to receive their award at the annual meeting of the German History Society in September. The prize is worth £500, with an additional £250 of books provided by OUP. Oxford Journals makes the prize-winning articles freely available online.

The winner of the prize was Joachim C Häberlen, whose article "Democracy at Play: Adventure Playgrounds in the Federal Republic of Germany, 1967–1984" and will be published at the end of 2025.

#### **Journal**

The journal continues to receive a steady flow of submissions, largely from early-career scholars based in the UK, the US and Germany, though regular contributions from further afield attest to its global reach. During this reporting period, a special issue on *Anglo-German Empire between Nationalist Antagonism and Transimperial Cooperation, 1895–1925* was published, alongside another titled *Houses of Worship in Times of War*. Further special issues are in the pipeline, spanning a wide chronological range from early modern to contemporary history. Publication slots are currently filled until early 2027.

While most submissions come from early-career scholars, there is also a consistent stream of articles from more senior academics. In terms of subject matter, submissions cover the full sweep of German history, from the early Middle Ages to the present. The journal thus continues to fulfil its aim of serving as a leading English-language forum for German history and of maintaining a strong international reputation, including within the German-speaking world.

#### **Book Series**

The German History Society has established its own book series, *Studies in German History*, in collaboration with its long-standing publishing partner Oxford University Press.

The series reflects the German History Society's long-standing mission to promote the best scholarship in the broad field of German history and seeks to build on the

innovative directions established by the Society's journal in recent years.

Taking an open, expansive view of what German History is and where that history has been played out, it envisions a broad chronological and geographic scope that encompasses topics from the medieval period to the present day; it seeks to go beyond the traditional confines of German history by adopting a comparative approach or exploring themes that intertwine the history of the German-speaking lands with that of other parts of the world; it aims to solicit titles that are intellectually ambitious, whether in their engagement with novel paradigms or their use of concepts and methods from other disciplines; and it seeks to publish work that reaches a readership beyond immediate specialists in a particular field. Above all, it seeks to publish work that engages with historical questions of wider relevance across German and other histories.

The series has now published a total of fifteen books, including one that appeared during the reporting period: *Emergency Powers and the Home Fronts in Britain and Germany during the First World War* by André Keil, published in April 2025. At the time of reporting, three additional books had been accepted and were in the pipeline. Our contract with OUP commits us to publishing between two and four books per calendar year.

The editorial board changed during this reporting period to bring in new perspectives and give space to new voices, contributing to the renewal of the field, supporting the aims of the series, and extending knowledge of German history.

### **Outreach**

Caroline Sharples has been continuing work on our two main outreach projects, both of which are ongoing.

1. Glimpses of German History: Filming was completed for a second series of short films by GHS members, each focusing on a specific object from German history and aimed at an audience of secondary school students and their teachers. The film series continues to cover a wide chronology (medieval, early modern, modern) of German history topics, and showcases a rich array of artefacts. The most recent videos, for instance, encompasses the reliquary of St Oswald, stained glass windows, a samovar and a denazification questionnaire. In the process, the GHS continues to forge collaborative relationships with museums, archives and other educational institutions who make it possible for us to

		<p>film within their collections. The new series will be launched on the GHS website and YouTube channel in September 2025.</p> <p>2. The Creative Research Competition: This is a competition for secondary school students in the UK and Ireland, designed to foster interest in German history, language and culture and linked closely to the Glimpses of German History film series. This year, after consultation with several school teachers, it was decided to delay the opening of the competition until the start of the new school year (September 2025). This enables schools to have a longer lead-in time for planning their responses, and potentially organise related talks and workshops with GHS members. Participants are invited to submit a creative research project inspired by themes from our film series. The winner receives £250, with an additional £250 awarded to their school to support the teaching of German history.</p> <p>We continue to encourage collaboration between GHS members and the Wiener Holocaust Library in London to run talks and workshops for students and teachers, and we are discussing similar opportunities for collaboration on school events with the Association for German Studies.</p>
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**Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	

Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Please find the detailed end of year financial statement on the following pages.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	We continue to experience the longer impact of the pandemic. Some projects, conferences, postgraduate research plans involving travel, as well as the language courses that we support had been postponed, cancelled, or took place online, and we continued to support these projects if applicants wished to see the money transferred into a new financial cycle. We are proactively seeking to spend our reserves and have this year (2023/24) increased the value of the postgraduate bursaries we dispense from £2,000 to £2,500 and significantly expanded the eligibility criterion from within 2 years of passing the PhD to within 5 years. We fund a very high proportion of the applications for funding we receive and continue to explore how to increase the future volume of applications.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	See attached report.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	

Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document  (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	<b>Constitution</b>
How is the charity constituted?  (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	<b>Learned Society</b>
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	<p><b>2. Appointment of Trustees</b></p> <p>2.1 For the purposes of this clause, a "year" shall mean a complete period of service between two AGMs.</p> <p>2.2 The Trustees in office on the date of adoption of this Constitution shall remain in post until the expiry of their term of office as determined under the previous constitution (adopted on 1 September 2017), after which the provisions of this Constitution shall apply.</p> <p>2.3 Officerships</p> <p>2.3.1 The Members at AGM shall elect individuals to the Fixed Officerships and Further Officerships described in clauses of the Constitution each for a non-renewable term of three years.</p> <p>2.3.2 After expiry of this three-year term, the Fixed Officerships and Further Officerships shall retire from these positions and shall not be eligible for re-election to them, provided that they shall be eligible for election to other Officerships or otherwise as Trustees, subject to the time limits on Trustee service under sub-clause 2.6.</p> <p>2.3.3 The terms of office of the Chairperson and the Secretary shall not normally be co-terminous.</p>

		<p>2.4 Ex-officio trustees</p> <p>2.4.1 The Editors of the GHS Journal and the Series Editors of Studies in German History for the time being (“the Ex-Officio Trustees”) shall automatically, by virtue of holding those offices, be trustees.</p> <p>2.4.2 If unwilling to act as a trustee, an Ex-Officio Trustee may:</p> <p>(a) before accepting appointment as a Trustee, give notice in writing to the Trustees of his or her unwillingness to act in that capacity; or</p> <p>(b) after accepting appointment as a Trustee, resign under the provisions contained in Constitution sub-clause.</p> <p>2.4.3 The office of that Ex-Officio Trustee will then remain vacant until the office holder ceases to hold office.</p> <p>2.5 If there are more applications/nominations for the role of Trustee than there are vacant Trustee positions, the Secretary shall prepare ballot papers for secret elections at the AGM and shall act as returning officer for the elections. Each Member returning a ballot paper at the AGM shall have as many votes as there are vacancies.</p> <p>2.6 Except for the Ex-Officio Trustees, no Trustee shall serve for a period of more than nine years except where the Trustees determine that exceptional circumstances apply. Service accrued prior to the adoption of this Constitution shall not count for the purposes of this sub-clause 2.6.</p> <p>2.7 The Trustees and the Members shall have regard to maintaining broad representation of the various chronological periods of German</p>
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		<p>history in electing Trustees to the Committee.</p> <p>2.8 Every Trustee after appointment or reappointment must sign a declaration of willingness to act as a charity trustee of the Society before he or she may act as a Trustee.</p> <p>2.9 A technical defect in the appointment of a Trustee of which the Trustees are unaware at the time does not invalidate decisions taken at a meeting.</p>
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**Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

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## Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	The German History Society
Other name the charity uses	N/A
Registered charity number	1182341
Charity's principal address	c/o Professor Mark Hewitson (GHS Chair) European and International Social and Political Studies, University College London, Gower Street, London WC1E 6BT

**Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity**

	<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Office (if any)</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	<b>Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)</b>
1	<b>Mark Hewitson</b>	Chair		
2	<b>Marina Perez de Arcos</b>	Secretary		
3	<b>Craig Griffiths</b>	Treasurer		
4	<b>Emily Steinhauer</b>	German Historical Institute Representative		
5	<b>Edmund Wareham Watnitzek</b>	Postgraduate Officer		
6	<b>Anna Ross</b>	Journal Editor		
7	<b>Benjamin Ziemann</b>	Journal Editor		
8	<b>Tim Grady</b>	Book Series Editor		
9	<b>Bridget Heal</b>	Book Series Editor		
10	<b>Caroline Sharples</b>	Schools and Outreach Officer		
11	<b>Joseph Cronin</b>	Postgraduate Prize Officer		
12	<b>Róisín Watson</b>	Undergraduate Prize		
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**Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved**

<b>Director name</b>		

**Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity**

<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	



**Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others**

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

**Additional information (optional)**

**Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)**

Type of adviser	Name	Address
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**Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)**

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**Exemptions from disclosure**

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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**Other optional information**

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## Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

<b>Signature(s)</b>		
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Marina Pérez de Arcos	Mark Hewitson
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Secretary	Chair
<b>Date</b>	28 April 2026	

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Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p><b>The German History Society (“the Society”)</b></p> <p><b>1. Objects</b></p> <p>The Objects of the Society are, for the public benefit in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland:</p> <p>1.1 To advance education in, and promote the study of, German history, including the history of German-speaking lands, in particular but not exclusively by:</p> <p>1.1.1 Organising public conferences, lectures and events on topics relating to German history;</p> <p>1.1.2 Creating and fostering links between academics, students, scholarly bodies and other individuals and organisations engaged with or interested in German history;</p> <p>1.1.3 Producing and disseminating publications, online resources and other media to provide information relating to the subject and study of German history; and</p> <p>1.1.4 Providing grants and bursaries for study or research into German history, and awarding prizes for exceptional academic work relating to German history, in particular but not exclusively to students and early career scholars.</p> <p>1.2 Nothing in this Constitution shall authorise an application of the property of the Society for purposes which are not charitable in accordance with section 7 of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005</p>

		and section 2 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.
<p>Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.</p>	<p>Para 1.17 and 1.19</p>	<p>The Society promotes learning in the history of Germany and the German-speaking world. It does this, broadly, through events, publication/dissemination of print and online information, awarding grants for study/research and fostering a network of academics, students and other individuals and organisations interested in the discipline.</p> <p>The Society exists to benefit the public at large and many benefits are accessible to all. However, the Society encourages those with an interest in German history to become members and membership confers additional benefits. Membership is easy to obtain and affordable: the cost is £34/year for general membership and £4/year for student membership, which is a lower fee than that charged by many other membership organisations.</p> <p>Members of the Society can access various benefits, which are designed to promote their learning, including automatic subscription to the Society's own journal, eligibility to apply for bursaries/grants and free attendance at the Society's annual conference and various other events.</p> <p>The Society's journal, <i>German History</i>, includes articles/research and other information relevant the field and represents an excellent educational resource. In addition, the Society's website includes a comprehensive list of links to relevant study and research resources, to assist students, scholars and other interested parties to develop their learning in the area.</p> <p>The Society's annual conference and other events provide a platform for leading speakers in German history to showcase their work and educate attendees. These events also facilitate networking between those working, studying or interested in the discipline, thereby providing opportunities to advance education through the sharing of knowledge and ideas.</p> <p>Bursaries and grants allow students and early career scholars to fund items that otherwise may have been unaffordable to them, including study fees, research trips, attending or putting on conferences/events, language training, amongst other things. These awards, therefore, broaden access to the field and promote learning.</p> <p>The Society also awards various prizes for outstanding work in the field of German history, including a postgraduate essay prize, EDI prize and undergraduate dissertation prize, which are open to students at UK and Irish universities, and a prize for the best article published each year in <i>German History</i> journal.</p> <p>The Society exists to advance education in the history of Germany and the German-speaking world and is</p>

		<p>committed to activities that enable the public at large to become engaged in this discipline.</p> <p>Non-members can subscribe to the German History journal and attend the Society's annual conference and other events, subject to payment of a small fee. Therefore, many of the benefits enjoyed by members are available more widely at cost, and therefore, contribute to the Society's aims of advancing education in German history for the benefit of the public at large.</p> <p>Furthermore, membership of the Society is open to any person who is studying, teaching or researching German history, or who supports the aims of the Society or is simply interested in the topic. There is no limit on membership numbers. Therefore, although members gain benefits by virtue of their membership, anyone with an interest in the area can become a member and therefore enjoy these benefits.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees, in making decisions, have had due regard to the Commission's public benefit guidance when exercising any powers or duties to which the guidance is relevant.

**Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	

Other		

## Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p><b>Annual Conference</b></p> <p>In 2023, the Society's annual conference was held at Birmingham University from 7–9 September. The conference included around 75 participants (speakers, chairs, discussants) from across the globe, representing researchers at all levels from postgraduates and early career researchers to established senior scholars. Plenary lectures were given by Felicitas Schmieder (Fern-Universität Hagen), Christoph Mick (University of Warwick), and Howard Hotson (St Anne's College, University of Oxford).</p> <p>Members and non-members alike were able to attend the conference and broaden their knowledge of German history and culture.</p> <p><b>Other Events</b></p> <p>On 7 September 2023, prior to the GHS annual conference, a workshop was held for Postgraduates and Early Career Researchers on effective grant-writing and submitting publications – these were very well-attended.</p> <p>The GHS also supported the annual 'German History in the North' conference, held in May 2024, with a particular emphasis on encouraging the participation of researchers based in the North of England. However, any researcher, regardless of institutional affiliation or location, was welcome to attend.</p> <p>The GHS also provided support through its Impact and Outreach grant to fund the planning of a digital exhibition on Britain's response to the persecution of Jews under Nazism. Additionally, <i>Tanks on the Streets: The Uprising of 17 June 1953 in East Germany</i>, a free</p>

exhibition commemorating the 70th anniversary of the first Cold War uprising in Germany, was presented at the University of Chester. Some films and artworks were also shown at the Storyhouse Cultural Centre in Chester during the summer of 2023.

### **Membership**

In May 2024, the Society had 206 members (117 waged and 89 unwaged), marking an overall increase of approximately 17% compared to the previous year. The higher number of unwaged members suggests that the Society is becoming increasingly accessible to them. The expanded use of multiple social media channels has played a significant role in this achievement.

Members of the Society are able to attend the annual conference without paying a fee, and are eligible for the Society's prizes, grants, and bursaries. Membership of the Society also includes a subscription at significantly discounted rates to the internationally-acclaimed journal *German History*, which is published four times a year on behalf of the Society by Oxford University Press.

### **Grants**

Grant applications have recovered since the Covid pandemic, which is encouraging. The introduction of new web forms has significantly improved the quality of submissions, with fuller information provided on both individual projects and broader research contexts. The decision to extend the definition of early career researchers from two to five years—reflecting the increasing challenges faced by postgraduates and ECRs—has been well received, enabling more precariously placed or early-stage scholars to undertake more ambitious work.

For a full financial breakdown of expenditure on grants and bursaries, see the Financial Review section below.

### **GHS Postgraduate awards 2023–4**

Small grants and bursaries:

#### **Small Grants:**

£3,141 was awarded to 3 applicants in January 2024 (x2 research, x1 conference travel)

£14,743 was awarded to 12 applicants in April 2024 (x7 research, x1 4 conference travel, x1 workshop organisation)

Up to £1,500 is available to applicants to fund research or conference travel or workshop/conference organisation.

**Postgraduate Bursaries:**

£29,259 was awarded to 12 applicants in April 2024

Up to £2,500 is available to applicants to fund language courses, archive study trips, fees or general maintenance.

**Hardship Funding:**

A grant of £500 was awarded to one applicant, to be disbursed in the next reporting period.

**GHS – DAAD Language Grant:**

€3,400 was awarded, divided between the GHS and DAAD, to 4 applicants to attend German language courses.

**Exhibition Funding Scheme**

Funding was awarded to support the launch of *The Wandering Jew* travelling exhibition (Parkes Institute for the Study of Jewish/non-Jewish Relations, University of Southampton), which was presented for Inter Faith Week as part of a literary, artistic and historical showcase exploring how the legend of the Wandering Jew has been reimagined as a vehicle for interfaith tolerance and as a motif of Jewish resilience and cultural richness.

Funding was also awarded for *A Place of Refuge*, a portable exhibition on Jewish refugee academics who fled Nazi Germany and subsequently built scholarly careers at the University of Southampton. It will be displayed at the university's annual Hands-on Humanities Day in autumn 2024.

Further support was granted to *Mercy Squad*, a cooperative, in-person educational game to be implemented at New College Lanarkshire, Scotland. Aimed at Scottish Highers students—and also suitable for A-Level students in England, Wales and Northern Ireland—it explores the roles of perpetrators and saviours in the Third Reich. These funds will be disbursed in the next reporting period.

**Prizes**

RHS/GHS Postgraduate Essay prize

The German History Society awards a prize of £500 to the winner of this annual essay competition. In addition,

the essays are considered for publication in *German History* journal.

Winners of the 2024 Postgraduate Essay Prize:

1st place: Jonathan Steuer (University of Oxford),  
'Petty crime in the early modern city: A comparative analysis of Frankfurt am Main and Bristol'

2nd place (joint): Rory Hanna (University of Sheffield),  
'Early Democratisers?  
West German Students' Campaigns for Participation in University Governance during the Late Adenauer Era'

2nd place (joint): Carl Julius Reim (UCL/QMUL),  
'Critical Solidarity: Adorno, the Darmstadt Avant-garde, and the Administered World'

#### GHS Undergraduate Essay Prize

The German History Society offers an annual prize of £300 for the best undergraduate dissertation on German History written by a student of history (single or joint honours, or in a cognate discipline) at a UK or Irish university. Runner-up prizes of £100 each may also be offered at the judges' discretion. Prizes of £300 were awarded to: Connor Wimblett (University of Edinburgh) for "'She Tries to Make a Whole Woman Out of Me": Trans\* Sexuality and Womanly Relationships in the Weimar Queer Press'; and James Walker (University of Cambridge) for 'German Combat Art and the Eastern Front, 1939–45'.

#### Rethinking German History Prize

The German History Society has launched a new prize to recognise critical interventions in debates on gender, minorities, migration, ethnicity, and equality, as well as transnational and comparative history. The prize welcomes work engaging with critical race studies, LGBTQ+ and queer studies, and disability studies, in relation to any aspect of the history of Germany and the German-speaking world in its broadest global context.

The *Rethinking German History Prize*, worth £500, will be awarded to two winners—one in the undergraduate/Master's category and one in the PhD/postdoctoral category. It rewards written work that draws on lesser-told histories within these fields to challenge German historians to rethink how we approach the discipline. The inaugural prizes will be announced in autumn 2024.

#### German History Article Prize

Each year German History's editorial board awards a prize on the behalf of The German History Society for the best article published in the journal. The prize is intended to showcase outstanding work from scholars of German history whatever their career stage, and the winner is invited to receive their award at the annual meeting of the German History Society in September. The prize is worth £500, with an additional £250 of books provided by OUP. Oxford Journals makes the prize-winning articles freely available online.

The winner of the prize in 2024 was Amelia Hutchinson, whose article “‘Very full of details and excellently executed’: Materiality and medicine in Hans Rottenhammer’s painted bodies’ was published in *German History* 42(3), pp. 311–33.

### **Journal**

The journal continues to experience a good flow of submissions, largely from early-career scholars based in the UK, US and Germany, although the regular submission of articles from further afield attests to the journal’s global reach. Four special issues are in development on climate change knowledge in German-speaking Europe 1750-1930, transnationalising German monarchies, 1848–1918, German colonial history, German anti-slavery societies in the nineteenth century, nineteenth-century German monarchy in transnational perspective, and Anglo-German empire between nationalist antagonism and transimperial Cooperation, 1895-1925. In terms of chronological range, they span early modern, modern and contemporary history. Publication slots are currently filled until early 2027. While the majority of articles submitted are by early-career scholars, there is also a regular flow of submissions by more senior scholars. In terms of subjects, the articles submitted cover the full range of German history from the early Middle Ages to the present. The journal thus continues to fulfil its mission to be the pre-eminent English-language journal for German history and to command respect throughout the world, including the German-speaking lands.

### **Book Series**

The German History Society has established its own book series, Studies in German History, in collaboration with its long-standing publishing partner Oxford University Press.

The series reflects the German History Society’s long-standing mission to promote the best scholarship in the broad field of German history, and seeks to build on the

innovative directions established by the Society's journal in recent years.

Taking an open, expansive view of what German History is and where that history has been played out, it envisions a broad chronological and geographic scope that encompasses topics from the medieval period to the present day; it seeks to go beyond the traditional confines of German history by adopting a comparative approach or exploring themes that entwine the history of the German-speaking lands with that of other parts of the world; it aims to solicit titles that are intellectually ambitious, whether in their engagement with novel paradigms or their use of concepts and methods from other disciplines; and it seeks to publish work that reaches a readership beyond immediate specialists in a particular field. Above all, it seeks to publish work that engages with historical questions of wider relevance across German and other histories.

The series has now published a total of fourteen books, with two appearing during the reporting period: *Keeping the Peace in the Village: Conflict and Peacemaking in Germany, 1650–1750* by Mark R. Foster and *Intervention and The Other '68: A Social History of West Germany's Revolt* by Christina von Hodenberg and Rachel Ward.

Our contract with OUP commits us to publishing two to four books per year. While we are still recovering from the post-pandemic lull, we currently have two more titles under contract.

### **Outreach**

Jeff Bowersox and his committee have been working on two main outreach projects, all of which are ongoing.

1. **Glimpses of German History:** Following the successful production of seven short films by members (available on the [website](#)) focusing on specific objects from German history and aimed at students and secondary school teachers, filming for a second set has now been completed. These new films will also be available on the GHS website and YouTube channel, alongside the original series.
2. **Creative Research Competition:** Associated with the film series is a competition for secondary school students in the UK and Ireland, designed to foster interest in German history, language, and culture. Participants are invited to submit a creative research project inspired by themes from *Glimpses of German History*. The winner receives £250, with an

		<p>additional £250 awarded to their school to support the teaching of German history. This year's winner—the competition's inaugural recipient—was Mischa Bogue from Our Lady's Secondary School, Castleblayney, Co. Monaghan, Ireland. Her project, <i>Cultural Patronage and Botanical Gardens: The Commissioning of the Eichstätt Garden Book during Early Modern Europe</i>, was highly commended by the awarding committee.</p> <p>We continue to encourage collaboration between GHS members and the Wiener Holocaust Library in London to run talks and workshops for students and teachers.</p>
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**Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

<p>Achievements against objectives set</p>	<p>Para 1.41</p>	
<p>Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set</p>	<p>Para 1.41</p>	
<p>Investment performance against objectives</p>	<p>Para 1.41</p>	
<p>Other</p>		

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## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Please find the detailed end of year financial statement on the following pages.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	We continue to experience the longer impact of the pandemic. Some projects, conferences, postgraduate research plans involving travel, as well as the language courses that we support had been postponed, cancelled, or took place online, and we continued to support these projects if applicants wished to see the money transferred into a new financial cycle. We are proactively seeking to spend our reserves and have this year (2023/24) increased the value of the postgraduate bursaries we dispense from £2,000 to £2,500 and significantly expanded the eligibility criterion from within 2 years of passing the PhD to within 5 years. We fund a very high proportion of the applications for funding we receive and continue to explore how to increase the future volume of applications.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	See attached report.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	

Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document  (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	<b>Constitution</b>
How is the charity constituted?  (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	<b>Learned Society</b>
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	<p><b>2. Appointment of Trustees</b></p> <p>2.1 For the purposes of this clause, a "year" shall mean a complete period of service between two AGMs.</p> <p>2.2 The Trustees in office on the date of adoption of this Constitution shall remain in post until the expiry of their term of office as determined under the previous constitution (adopted on 1 September 2017), after which the provisions of this Constitution shall apply.</p> <p>2.3 Officerships</p> <p>2.3.1 The Members at AGM shall elect individuals to the Fixed Officerships and Further Officerships described in clauses of the Constitution each for a non-renewable term of three years.</p> <p>2.3.2 After expiry of this three-year term, the Fixed Officerships and Further Officerships shall retire from these positions and shall not be eligible for re-election to them, provided that they shall be eligible for election to other Officerships or otherwise as Trustees, subject to the time limits on Trustee service under sub-clause 2.6.</p> <p>2.3.3 The terms of office of the Chairperson and the Secretary shall not normally be co-terminous.</p>

		<p>2.4 Ex-officio trustees</p> <p>2.4.1 The Editors of the GHS Journal and the Series Editors of Studies in German History for the time being (“the Ex-Officio Trustees”) shall automatically, by virtue of holding those offices, be trustees.</p> <p>2.4.2 If unwilling to act as a trustee, an Ex-Officio Trustee may:</p> <p>(a) before accepting appointment as a Trustee, give notice in writing to the Trustees of his or her unwillingness to act in that capacity; or</p> <p>(b) after accepting appointment as a Trustee, resign under the provisions contained in Constitution sub-clause.</p> <p>2.4.3 The office of that Ex-Officio Trustee will then remain vacant until the office holder ceases to hold office.</p> <p>2.5 If there are more applications/nominations for the role of Trustee than there are vacant Trustee positions, the Secretary shall prepare ballot papers for secret elections at the AGM and shall act as returning officer for the elections. Each Member returning a ballot paper at the AGM shall have as many votes as there are vacancies.</p> <p>2.6 Except for the Ex-Officio Trustees, no Trustee shall serve for a period of more than nine years except where the Trustees determine that exceptional circumstances apply. Service accrued prior to the adoption of this Constitution shall not count for the purposes of this sub-clause 2.6.</p> <p>2.7 The Trustees and the Members shall have regard to maintaining broad representation of the various chronological periods of German</p>
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		<p>history in electing Trustees to the Committee.</p> <p>2.8 Every Trustee after appointment or reappointment must sign a declaration of willingness to act as a charity trustee of the Society before he or she may act as a Trustee.</p> <p>2.9 A technical defect in the appointment of a Trustee of which the Trustees are unaware at the time does not invalidate decisions taken at a meeting.</p>
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**Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

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## Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	The German History Society
Other name the charity uses	N/A
Registered charity number	1182341
Charity's principal address	c/o Professor Mark Hewitson (GHS Chair) European and International Social and Political Studies, University College London, Gower Street, London WC1E 6BT

**Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity**

	<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Office (if any)</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	<b>Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)</b>
1	<b>Mark Hewitson</b>	Chair		
2	<b>Marina Perez de Arcos</b>	Secretary		
3	<b>Chris Dillon</b>	Treasurer		
4	<b>Stefan Bruhn</b>	German Historical Institute Representative		
5	<b>Edmund Wareham Watnitzek</b>	Postgraduate Officer		
6	<b>Anna Ross</b>	Journal Editor		
7	<b>Joachim Whaley</b>	Journal Editor		
8	<b>Tim Grady</b>	Book Series Editor		
9	<b>Bridget Heal</b>	Book Series Editor		
10	<b>Caroline Sharples</b>	Schools and Outreach Officer		
11	<b>Joseph Cronin</b>	Postgraduate Prize Officer		
12	<b>Róisín Watson</b>	Undergraduate Prize		
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**Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved**

<b>Director name</b>		

**Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity**

<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	


## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

### Additional information (optional)

#### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
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#### Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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## Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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## Other optional information

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## Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

<b>Signature(s)</b>	<i>Marina Perez de Arcos</i>	<i>Mark Hewitson</i>
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Marina Pérez de Arcos	Mark Hewitson
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Secretary	Chair
<b>Date</b>	25 April 2025	

GERMAN HISTORY SOCIETY  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2024

PEACOCK ACCOUNTANCY  
INTERNATIONAL HOUSE  
KINGSFIELD COURT  
CHESTER BUSINESS PARK  
CHESTER  
CH4 9RF

**GERMAN HISTORY SOCIETY****INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2024**

	2024			2023		
	GERMAN		TOTAL	GERMAN		TOTAL
	GENERAL	HISTORY		GENERAL	HISTORY	
	FUNDS	JNL		FUNDS	JNL	
£	£	£	£	£		
<b>INCOME</b>						
<u>Main funding subscriptions &amp; royalties</u>						
Oxford University Press	47,854	-	47,854	44,055	-	44,055
<u>German History Journal grants</u>	-	-	-	-	-	-
Oxford University Press	-	7,794	7,794	-	7,540	7,540
<u>GHS/DAAD language grants</u>	2,354	-	2,354	-	-	-
Miscellaneous receipt	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bank interest	1,651	-	1,651	560	-	560
	<b>51,859</b>	<b>7,794</b>	<b>59,653</b>	<b>44,615</b>	<b>7,540</b>	<b>52,155</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>						
Annual conference & AGM	11,285	-	11,285	9,512	-	9,512
Graduate Assistance Scheme	-	-	-	-	-	-
Post graduate bursaries - Major	12,483	-	12,483	11,925	-	11,925
Post graduate bursaries - Small	18,732	-	18,732	5,815	-	5,815
Hardship Grant	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ukrainian Scholars at Risk	-	-	-	-	-	-
Exhibition Grant	-	-	-	7,558	-	7,558
GHS Award	-	-	-	450	-	450
GHS/DAAD language stipends	1,772	-	1,772	2,436	-	2,436
Essay Dissertation and Article prizes	1,550	-	1,550	1,750	-	1,750
Workshop	-	-	-	-	-	-
Glimpses of German History	5,198	-	5,198	-	-	-
Film Project	-	-	-	363	-	363
Journal costs	-	3,248	3,248	-	4,614	4,614
<u>Administration</u>						
Committee travelling expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Website & domain costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
Social Media Officer	-	-	-	800	-	800
Zoom costs	-	-	-	101	-	101
Accountancy fee	540	-	540	570	-	570
Bank charges	75	-	75	72	-	72
	615	-	615	1,543	-	1,543
Misc expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
	<b>51,635</b>	<b>3,248</b>	<b>54,883</b>	<b>41,352</b>	<b>4,614</b>	<b>45,966</b>
<b>(DEFICIT/SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR)</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>4,546</b>	<b>4,770</b>	<b>3,263</b>	<b>2,926</b>	<b>6,189</b>

**GERMAN HISTORY SOCIETY**

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30TH JUNE 2024**

	<u>2024</u>		<u>2023</u>	
	£	£	£	£
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>				
Bank balances - Deposit account	122,385		128,309	
- Current account	55,648		1,000	
- German History Journal acc	<u>8,516</u>	186,549	<u>8,415</u>	137,724
Debtor				44,055
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>				
Creditors	570		570	
		<u>570</u>		<u>570</u>
		<u><b>185,979</b></u>		<u><b>181,209</b></u>
<b>REPRESENTED BY</b>				
REVENUE ACCOUNTS				
General Funds				
AT 30 JUNE 2023	156,714		153,451	
SURPLUS/DEFICIT FOR THE YEAR	<u>224</u>	156,938	<u>3,263</u>	156,714
German History Journal Fund				
AT 30 JUNE 2023	24,495		21,569	
SURPLUS/DEFICIT FOR THE YEAR	<u>4,546</u>		<u>2,926</u>	
		<u>29,041</u>		<u>24,495</u>
		<u><b>185,979</b></u>		<u><b>181,209</b></u>

We have prepared, without audit, the foregoing accounts from the books and records of the Society and from the information and explanations given to us. In our opinion they give a true and fair view of the Societys affairs at 30th June 2023

Peacock Accountancy

**THE GERMAN HISTORY SOCIETY**

England & Wales - Charity number 1182341

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# Accounts

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## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **01/07/2022** Period start date To **30/06/2023**

Charity name: **The German History Society**

Charity registration number: **1182341**

## Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p><b>The German History Society (“the Society”)</b></p> <p><b>1. Objects</b></p> <p>The Objects of the Society are, for the public benefit in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland:</p> <p>1.1 To advance education in, and promote the study of, German history, including the history of German-speaking lands, in particular but not exclusively by:</p> <p>1.1.1 Organising public conferences, lectures and events on topics relating to German history;</p> <p>1.1.2 Creating and fostering links between academics, students, scholarly bodies and other individuals and organisations engaged with or interested in German history;</p> <p>1.1.3 Producing and disseminating publications, online resources and other media to provide information relating to the subject and study of German history; and</p> <p>1.1.4 Providing grants and bursaries for study or research into German history, and awarding prizes for exceptional academic work relating to German history, in particular but not exclusively to students and early career scholars.</p> <p>1.2 Nothing in this Constitution shall authorise an application of the property of the Society for purposes which are not charitable in accordance with section 7 of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005</p>

		and section 2 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.
<p>Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.</p>	<p>Para 1.17 and 1.19</p>	<p>The Society promotes learning in the history of Germany and the German-speaking world. It does this, broadly, through events, publication/dissemination of print and online information, awarding grants for study/research and fostering a network of academics, students and other individuals and organisations interested in the discipline.</p> <p>The Society exists to benefit the public at large and many benefits are accessible to all. However, the Society encourages those with an interest in German history to become members and membership confers additional benefits. Membership is easy to obtain and affordable: the cost is £27/year for general membership and £8/year for student membership, which is a lower fee than that charged by many other membership organisations.</p> <p>Members of the Society can access various benefits, which are designed to promote their learning, including automatic subscription to the Society's own journal, eligibility to apply for bursaries/grants and free attendance at the Society's annual conference and various other events.</p> <p>The Society's journal, <i>German History</i>, includes articles/research and other information relevant the field and represents an excellent educational resource. In addition, the Society's website includes a comprehensive list of links to relevant study and research resources, to assist students, scholars and other interested parties to develop their learning in the area.</p> <p>The Society's annual conference and other events provide a platform for leading speakers in German history to showcase their work and educate attendees. These events also facilitate networking between those working, studying or interested in the discipline, thereby providing opportunities to advance education through the sharing of knowledge and ideas.</p> <p>Bursaries and grants allow students and early career scholars to fund items that otherwise may have been unaffordable to them, including study fees, research trips, attending or putting on conferences/events, amongst other things. These awards therefore broaden access to the field and promote learning.</p> <p>The Society also awards various prizes for outstanding work in the field of German history, including a postgraduate essay prize, EDI prize and undergraduate dissertation prize, which are open to students at UK and Irish universities, and a prize for the best article published each year in <i>German History</i> journal.</p> <p>The Society exists to advance education in the history of Germany and the German-speaking world and is</p>

		<p>committed to activities that enable the public at large to become engaged in this discipline.</p> <p>Non-members can subscribe to the German History journal and attend the Society's annual conference and other events, subject to payment of a fee. Therefore, many of the benefits enjoyed by members are available more widely at cost, and therefore contribute to the Society's aims of advancing education in German history for the benefit of the public at large.</p> <p>Furthermore, membership of the Society is open to any person who is studying, teaching or researching German history, or who supports the aims of the Society or is simply interested in the topic. There is no limit on membership numbers. Therefore although members gain benefits by virtue of their membership, anyone with an interest in the area can become a member and therefore enjoy these benefits.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees, in making decisions, have had due regard to the commission's public benefit guidance when exercising any powers or duties to which the guidance is relevant.

**Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	

Other		

## Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p><b>Annual Conference</b></p> <p>In 2022, the Society's annual conference was held at Sheffield Hallam University (with the potential for additional online participation) from 8-10 September. The conference included around 70 participants (speakers, chairs, discussants) from across the globe, representing researchers at all levels from postgraduates and early career researchers to established senior scholars. Plenary lectures were given by Walter Sauer (University of Vienna), Hannah Murphy (King's College London), and Gerhild Scholz Williams (Washington University in St. Louis).</p> <p>Members and non-members alike were able to attend the conference and broaden their knowledge of German history and culture.</p> <p><b>Other Events</b></p> <p>On 8 September 2022, prior to the GHS annual conference, two workshops were held for Postgraduates and Early Career Researchers on effective grant-writing and submitting publications respectively – these were very well-attended.</p> <p>The GHS also supported the annual 'German History in the North' conference, as well as the Wiener Library's 'Holocaust Letters' virtual exhibition, launched in June 2023.</p> <p>An exhibition and virtual reality experience part-funded by the GHS entitled 'Behind the Wire: Internment during the First World War' was held at the German Historical Institute during spring and summer 2023.</p>

### **GHS Ukraine Fellowship**

In summer 2022, Dr Natalia Gromakova joined the University of Aberdeen's Centre for Polish-Lithuanian Studies as part of the 'Scholars at Risk' Fellowship programme for Ukraine, sponsored by the German History Society in collaboration with the Royal Historical Society.

Dr Gromakova specialises in the social and associational life of minorities, including Polish and German speakers in the nineteenth-century Ukrainian lands occupied by Austria and Russia after the Third Partition of Poland in 1795 up to the First World War. She fled her home in Bucha, around 20km north-west of Kyiv, with her daughter on March 11. Dr Gromakova had been working at the National Pedagogical University in Kyiv as a postdoctoral researcher. She and daughter Olena were able to evacuate the town, which had been under relentless shelling since the outbreak of war, but her husband remained behind to support those defending the country.

The GHS contributed £5,000 to fund Dr. Gromakova's Fellowship. Since then, Dr Gromakova has delivered several papers, including one at Cambridge, and the University of Aberdeen has matched the GHS/RHS funding to enable her to stay on the fellowship for a whole year, until the end of May 2023.

### **Membership**

In May 2023, the Society had 175 members (125 waged, 50 unwaged). The Society's expanded use of social media had an appreciable impact in this regard.

Members of the Society are able to attend the annual conference without paying a fee, and are eligible for the Society's prizes, grants, and bursaries. Membership of the Society also includes a subscription at significantly discounted rates to the internationally-acclaimed journal *German History*, which is published four times a year on behalf of the Society by Oxford University Press.

### **Grants**

Applications for grants have seen a recovery since Covid which is encouraging. New web forms have helped to produce much better applications with fuller information on projects and research as a whole. The decision to uplift bursaries to £2500 and small grants to £1500 in light of inflation and rising challenges for

ECRs/postgrad has also been popular and helped students to consider more ambitious projects.

For a full financial breakdown of expenditure on grants and bursaries, see the Financial Review section below.

### **GHS Postgraduate awards 2022-3**

#### Small grants and bursaries:

Research travel: 11 grants were awarded

Conference travel: 11 grants were awarded

Most applications were for conference travel and we normally allow £150 but with the rising cost of inflation we allowed up to £250. Two other applications were received for research trips and we granted the full amount. All proposals bar one were of a high enough standard to be accepted during the course of this reporting period.

Conference funding: We received one application which was granted in full (£1500).

Language-course funding (DAAD): We received one application (match-funded with the DAAD).

**Exhibition Funding Scheme** – funding was awarded to ‘Internment during the First World War: The Global German Experience’ (German Historical Institute London); ‘Britain’s response to the persecution of Jews under Nazism’ (virtual interactive exhibition, University of Reading), and ‘Tanks on the Streets: The Uprising of 17 June 1953 in East Germany’ (presented through posters and audio material created by students at the University of Chester and their Artist in Residence, Steph Coathupe, curated by Dr Richard Millington).

Funding was also awarded to support the transformation of the Wiener Library’s ‘Holocaust Letters’ physical exhibition into a virtual exhibition, which was launched at a virtual panel event on the evening of 14 June 2023, in partnership with the German Historical Institute-London, German Historical Institute-Washington, and the Holocaust Research Institute, Royal Holloway University of London.

#### **Prizes**

##### RHS/GHS Postgraduate Essay prize

The German History Society awards a prize of £500 to the winner of this annual essay competition. In

addition, the essays are considered for publication in *German History* journal.

Winners of the 2023 Postgraduate Essay Prize:

Anna McEwan (University of Glasgow / ZZf, Potsdam) - 'Gendered Forms of State Assistance in the *DFD-Beratungsstellen*' (first prize).

Harry Legg (University of Edinburgh) - 'Stuck Inside the Volksgemeinschaft: The Social Lives of Non-Jewish "Full Jews" in Nazi Germany and Austria' (runner-up).

#### GHS Undergraduate Essay Prize

The German History Society offers an annual prize of £300 for the best undergraduate dissertation on German History written by a student of history (single or joint honours, or in a cognate discipline) at a UK or Irish university. Runner-up prizes of £100 each may also be offered at the judges' discretion.

The prizes were awarded to:

Orli Vogt-Vincent (University of Cambridge), 'Prisoners as Perpetrators? Nazi Concentration Camp Brothels, Masculinity, and Memory'. (first prize); Emily Calcraft (University of Sheffield), 'The Natural and the Unnatural': Antisemitic Portrayals of Jewish Gender and Sexuality in Weimar Germany' (runner-up prize) and Michelle Kiessling (Sheffield Hallam University), 'Perceptions and Representations of German War-Neurotics: A Study of Weimar Medical Literature, Art, and Media c. 1914-1933' (runner-up prize).

#### Equality and Inclusion Prize

For the first time, the Society initiated an award for critical interventions in debates on gender, minorities, migration, ethnicity and equality, including research on critical race studies, LGBTQ+ and queer studies, and disability studies, related to any aspect of the history of Germany and the German-speaking world in its broadest global context. The prize was awarded for the first time in September 2022.

The prize in the ECR category was awarded to Dr. Bodie Ashton (Erfurt) for his essay "The Parallel Lives of Liddy Bacroff: Transgender (Pre-)History and the Tyranny of the Archive in Twentieth-Century Germany".

The prize in the undergraduate category was awarded to Chloe Marsden (Durham) for her essay "*Neue Frau*".

and *Die Freundin*: The Formulation of Distinct Lesbian Identities and Subcultures in the Weimar Republic".

#### German History Article Prize

Each year *German History's* editorial board awards a prize on the behalf of The German History Society for the best article published in the journal. The prize is intended to showcase outstanding work from scholars of German history whatever their career stage, and the winner is invited to receive their award at the annual meeting of the German History Society in September. The prize is worth £500, with an additional £250 of books provided by OUP. Oxford Journals makes the prize-winning articles freely available online.

The winner of the prize in 2022 was Natalie R Cincotta, whose article 'Ideal Men and Dream Women: Computer Matchmaking in *twen* during the West German Sex Wave, 1967–1970', was published in *German History* 40(1), pp. 107-122.

#### **Journal**

The journal continues to experience a good flow of submissions, largely from early-career scholars based in the UK, US and Germany, although the regular submission of articles from further afield attests to the journal's global reach. Four special issues are in development on churches in German warfare, climate change knowledge in the German-speaking lands, on German colonial history, and nineteenth-century German monarchy in transnational perspective. In terms of chronological range, they span early modern, modern and contemporary history. Publication slots are currently filled until spring 2026. While the majority of articles submitted are by early-career scholars, there is also a regular flow of submissions by more senior scholars. In terms of subjects, the articles submitted cover the full range of German history from the early Middle Ages to the present. The journal thus continues to fulfil its mission to be the pre-eminent English-language journal for German history and to command respect throughout the world, including the German-speaking lands.

#### **Book Series**

The German History Society has established its own book series, *Studies in German History*, in collaboration with its long-standing publishing partner Oxford University Press.

The series reflects the German History Society's long-standing mission to promote the best scholarship in the broad field of German history, and seeks to build

on the innovative directions established by the Society's journal in recent years.

Taking an open, expansive view of what German History is and where that history has been played out, it envisions a broad chronological and geographic scope that encompasses topics from the medieval period to the present day; it seeks to go beyond the traditional confines of German history by adopting a comparative approach or exploring themes that entwine the history of the German-speaking lands with that of other parts of the world; it aims to solicit titles that are intellectually ambitious, whether in their engagement with novel paradigms or their use of concepts and methods from other disciplines; and it seeks to publish work that reaches a readership beyond immediate specialists in a particular field. Above all, it seeks to publish work that engages with historical questions of wider relevance across German and other histories.

The series has now published a total of twelve books, with two appearing during the reporting period: *Prussia in the Historical Culture of the German Democratic Republic* by Marcus Colla and *Intervention and State Sovereignty in Central Europe, 1500-1780* by Patrick Milton.

Our contract with OUP is to publish 2-4 books per year. The slight slowdown in the rate of publication this year reflects the disruptiveness of the pandemic to academic life a couple of years ago.

### **Outreach**

Jeff Bowersox and his committee worked on four outreach projects, all of which are ongoing.

- 1) Glimpses of German History: Working with a filmmaker based at UCL named Matt Aucott and camera-ready GHS members, we have made seven short films. All seven are now complete and hosted on our GHS [website](#) and YouTube channel, where we are getting good viewing traffic. Working with our communications officer we are promoting them, and partner organisations like the German Studies Association (USA) are sharing them more widely.
- 2) Creative research competition: [Attached](#) to the film series is a competition aimed at secondary school students in the UK and Ireland. To promote an interest in German history, language, and culture we are inviting students to submit a creative research project related in some way to the themes in the film series Glimpses of German History. The winner will win £250 for her/himself and

		<p>another £250 for the school to promote German history instruction. The second prize winner will take home £150. We have spread the word and are hopeful that we will get a good response, and I have already had expressions of interest and questions from a few teachers. We will promote the project further in the coming months.</p> <p>3) Wiener Library events: The Wiener Library in London is very keen to work with GHS members to run events for students and teachers and to develop a programme that will run throughout the year, scheduled to align with anniversaries and commemorative months and the like. We have run two events so far this year: an October workshop on The Oppression of the Black Community under the Nazis (Robbie Aitken and Jeff Bowersox) and a February workshop on what Germans knew of Nazi crimes (Neil Gregor). We are inviting further volunteers among the GHS membership to submit proposals for future workshops.</p> <p>4) Mentorship for GHS members: As part of our remit to support GHS members at all career stages and especially those who come from backgrounds traditionally under-represented in our field, I have been working with professional organisations including the Society for the Study of French History (UK and Ireland), the Association for the Study of Modern Italy, and the Association for Contemporary Iberian Studies to set up a mentorship programme.</p>
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**Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	

Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Please find the detailed end of year financial statement on the following pages.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	We continue to experience the longer impact of the pandemic. Some projects, conferences, postgraduate research plans involving travel, as well as the language courses that we support had been postponed, cancelled, or took place online, and we continued to support these projects if applicants wished to see the money transferred into a new financial cycle. We are proactively seeking to spend our reserves and have this year, for example, financed new initiatives such as the video series 'Glimpses of German History' and the 'GHS Rethinking German History Prize'. We fund a very high proportion of the applications for funding we receive and continue to explore how to increase the future volume of applications.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	See attached report.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	

Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document  (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	<b>Constitution</b>
How is the charity constituted?  (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	<b>Learned Society</b>
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	<p><b>2. Appointment of Trustees</b></p> <p>2.1 For the purposes of this clause, a "year" shall mean a complete period of service between two AGMs.</p> <p>2.2 The Trustees in office on the date of adoption of this Constitution shall remain in post until the expiry of their term of office as determined under the previous constitution (adopted on 1 September 2017), after which the provisions of this Constitution shall apply.</p> <p>2.3 Officerships</p> <p>2.3.1 The Members at AGM shall elect individuals to the Fixed Officerships and Further Officerships described in clauses <b>Error! Reference source not found.</b> and <b>Error! Reference source not found.</b> of the Constitution each for a non-renewable term of three years.</p> <p>2.3.2 After expiry of this three-year term, the Fixed Officerships and Further Officerships shall retire from these positions and shall not be eligible for re-election to them, provided that they shall be eligible for election to other Officerships or otherwise as Trustees, subject to the time limits on Trustee service under sub-clause 2.6.</p> <p>2.3.3 The terms of office of the Chairperson and the</p>

		<p>Secretary shall not normally be co-terminous.</p> <p>2.4 Ex-officio trustees</p> <p>2.4.1 The Editors of the GHS Journal and the Series Editors of Studies in German History for the time being (“the Ex-Officio Trustees”) shall automatically, by virtue of holding those offices, be trustees.</p> <p>2.4.2 If unwilling to act as a trustee, an Ex-Officio Trustee may:</p> <p>(a) before accepting appointment as a Trustee, give notice in writing to the Trustees of his or her unwillingness to act in that capacity; or</p> <p>(b) after accepting appointment as a Trustee, resign under the provisions contained in Constitution sub-clause <b>Error! Reference source not found.</b></p> <p>2.4.3 The office of that Ex-Officio Trustee will then remain vacant until the office holder ceases to hold office.</p> <p>2.5 If there are more applications/nominations for the role of Trustee than there are vacant Trustee positions, the Secretary shall prepare ballot papers for secret elections at the AGM and shall act as returning officer for the elections. Each Member returning a ballot paper at the AGM shall have as many votes as there are vacancies.</p> <p>2.6 Except for the Ex-Officio Trustees, no Trustee shall serve for a period of more than nine years except where the Trustees determine that exceptional circumstances apply. Service accrued prior to the adoption of this Constitution shall not count for the purposes of this sub-clause 2.6.</p>
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		<p>2.7 The Trustees and the Members shall have regard to maintaining broad representation of the various chronological periods of German history in electing Trustees to the Committee.</p> <p>2.8 Every Trustee after appointment or reappointment must sign a declaration of willingness to act as a charity trustee of the Society before he or she may act as a Trustee.</p> <p>2.9 A technical defect in the appointment of a Trustee of which the Trustees are unaware at the time does not invalidate decisions taken at a meeting.</p>
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**Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	

Other		
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### Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	The German History Society
Other name the charity uses	N/A
Registered charity number	1182341
Charity's principal address	c/o Dr. Helen Roche (GHS Secretary) Department of History Durham University 43 North Bailey Durham DH1 3EX

**Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity**

	<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Office (if any)</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	<b>Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)</b>
1	<b>Karin Friedrich</b>	Chair		
2	<b>Helen Roche</b>	Secretary		
3	<b>Stefan Hanss Chris Dillon</b>	Treasurer		
4	<b>Stefan Bruhn</b>	German Historical Institute Representative		
5	<b>Kat Hill</b>	Postgraduate Officer		
6	<b>Anna Ross</b>	Journal Editor		
7	<b>Joachim Whaley</b>	Journal Editor		
8	<b>Neil Gregor</b>	Book Series Editor		
9	<b>Bridget Heal</b>	Book Series Editor		
10	<b>Jeff Bowersox</b>	Schools and Outreach Officer		
11	<b>Mark Jones</b>			
12	<b>Laura Kounine</b>			
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**Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved**

<b>Director name</b>		

**Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity**

<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	


## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

### Additional information (optional)

#### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
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#### Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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## Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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## Other optional information

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## Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

<b>Signature(s)</b>		
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Helen Barbara Elizabeth Roche	Mark Hewitson
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Secretary	Chair
<b>Date</b>	26 March 2024	

**GERMAN HISTORY SOCIETY****INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2023**

	2023			2022		
	GERMAN		TOTAL	GERMAN		TOTAL
	GENERAL	HISTORY		GENERAL	HISTORY	
	FUNDS	JNL		FUNDS	JNL	
£	£	£	£	£		
<b>INCOME</b>						
<u>Main funding subscriptions &amp; royalties</u>						
Oxford University Press	44,055		44,055	44,589		44,589
<u>German History Journal grants</u>	-		-	-		-
Oxford University Press		7,540	7,540		10,239	10,239
<u>GHS/DAAD language grants</u>	-		-			
Miscellaneous receipt	-		-	2,147		2,147
Bank interest	560		560	16		16
	<b>44,615</b>	<b>7,540</b>	<b>52,155</b>	<b>46,752</b>	<b>10,239</b>	<b>56,991</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>						
Annual conference & AGM	9,512		9,512	3,723		3,723
Graduate Assistance Scheme	-		-	-		-
Post graduate bursaries - Major	11,925		11,925	18,707		18,707
Post graduate bursaries - Small	5,815		5,815	7,959		7,959
Hardship Grant	-		-	2,000		2,000
Ukranian Scholars at Risk	-		-	5,000		5,000
Exhibition Grant	7,558		7,558			
GHS Award	450		450	-		-
GHS/DAAD language stipends	2,436		2,436	1,971		1,971
Essay Dissertation and Article prizes	1,750		1,750	1,600		1,600
Workshop	-		-	287		287
Exhibition funding	-		-	963		963
Film Project	363		363			
Journal costs		4,614	4,614		3,776	3,776
<u>Administration</u>						
Committee travelling expenses	-		-	923		923
Website & domain costs	-		-	8,744		8,744
Social Media Officer	800		800	-		-
Zoom costs	101		101			
Accountancy fee	570		570	540		540
Bank charges	72		72	60		60
	<b>1,543</b>		<b>1,543</b>	<b>10,267</b>		<b>10,267</b>
Misc expenses	-		-			
	<b>41,352</b>	<b>4,614</b>	<b>45,966</b>	<b>52,477</b>	<b>3,776</b>	<b>56,253</b>
<b>(DEFICIT/SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR)</b>	<b>3,263</b>	<b>2,926</b>	<b>6,189</b>	<b>- 5,725</b>	<b>6,463</b>	<b>738</b>

**GERMAN HISTORY SOCIETY**

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30TH JUNE 2023**

	<u>2023</u>		<u>2022</u>	
	£	£	£	£
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>				
Bank balances - Deposit account	128,309		166,736	
- Current account	1,000		1,285	
- German History Journal acc	<u>8,415</u>	137,724	<u>7,539</u>	175,560
Debtor		44,055		-
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>				
Creditors	570		540	
	<u>570</u>		<u>540</u>	
	<u><b>181,209</b></u>		<u><b>175,020</b></u>	
<b>REPRESENTED BY</b>				
REVENUE ACCOUNTS				
General Funds				
AT 30 JUNE 2021	153,451		159,176	
SURPLUS/DEFICIT FOR THE YEAR	<u>3,263</u>	156,714	<u>- 5,725</u>	153,451
German History Journal Fund				
AT 30 JUNE 2021	21,569		15,106	
SURPLUS/DEFICIT FOR THE YEAR	<u>2,926</u>		<u>6,463</u>	
	<u>24,495</u>		<u>21,569</u>	
	<u><b>181,209</b></u>		<u><b>175,020</b></u>	

We have prepared, without audit, the foregoing accounts from the books and records of the Society and from the information and explanations given to us. In our opinion they give a true and fair view of the Societys affairs at 30th June 2023

Peacock Accountancy

**THE GERMAN HISTORY SOCIETY**

England & Wales - Charity number 1182341

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# Accounts

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## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01/07/2021 Period start date To 30/06/2022

Charity name: The German History Society

Charity registration number: 1182341

## Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p><b>The German History Society (“the Society”)</b></p> <p><b>1. Objects</b></p> <p>The Objects of the Society are, for the public benefit in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland:</p> <p>1.1 To advance education in, and promote the study of, German history, including the history of German-speaking lands, in particular but not exclusively by:</p> <p>1.1.1 Organising public conferences, lectures and events on topics relating to German history;</p> <p>1.1.2 Creating and fostering links between academics, students, scholarly bodies and other individuals and organisations engaged with or interested in German history;</p> <p>1.1.3 Producing and disseminating publications, online resources and other media to provide information relating to the subject and study of German history; and</p> <p>1.1.4 Providing grants and bursaries for study or research into German history, and awarding prizes for exceptional academic work relating to German history, in particular but not exclusively to students and early career scholars.</p> <p>1.2 Nothing in this Constitution shall authorise an application of the property of the Society for purposes which are not charitable in accordance with section 7 of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005</p>

		and section 2 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.
<p>Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.</p>	<p>Para 1.17 and 1.19</p>	<p>The Society promotes learning in the history of Germany and the German-speaking world. It does this, broadly, through events, publication/dissemination of print and online information, awarding grants for study/research and fostering a network of academics, students and other individuals and organisations interested in the discipline.</p> <p>The Society exists to benefit the public at large and many benefits are accessible to all. However, the Society encourages those with an interest in German history to become members and membership confers additional benefits. Membership is easy to obtain and affordable: the cost is £27/year for general membership and £8/year for student membership, which is a lower fee than that charged by many other membership organisations.</p> <p>Members of the Society can access various benefits, which are designed to promote their learning, including automatic subscription to the Society's own journal, eligibility to apply for bursaries/grants and free attendance at the Society's annual conference and various other events.</p> <p>The Society's journal, <i>German History</i>, includes articles/research and other information relevant the field and represents an excellent educational resource. In addition, the Society's website includes a comprehensive list of links to relevant study and research resources, to assist students, scholars and other interested parties to develop their learning in the area.</p> <p>The Society's annual conference and other events provide a platform for leading speakers in German history to showcase their work and educate attendees. These events also facilitate networking between those working, studying or interested in the discipline, thereby providing opportunities to advance education through the sharing of knowledge and ideas.</p> <p>Bursaries and grants allow students and early career scholars to fund items that otherwise may have been unaffordable to them, including study fees, research trips, attending or putting on conferences/events, amongst other things. These awards therefore broaden access to the field and promote learning.</p> <p>The Society also awards various prizes for outstanding work in the field of German history, including a postgraduate essay prize, EDI prize and undergraduate dissertation prize, which are open to students at UK and Irish universities, and a prize for the best article published each year in <i>German History</i> journal.</p> <p>The Society exists to advance education in the history of Germany and the German-speaking world and is</p>

		<p>committed to activities that enable the public at large to become engaged in this discipline.</p> <p>Non-members can subscribe to the German History journal and attend the Society's annual conference and other events, subject to payment of a fee. Therefore, many of the benefits enjoyed by members are available more widely at cost, and therefore contribute to the Society's aims of advancing education in German history for the benefit of the public at large.</p> <p>Furthermore, membership of the Society is open to any person who is studying, teaching or researching German history, or who supports the aims of the Society or is simply interested in the topic. There is no limit on membership numbers. Therefore although members gain benefits by virtue of their membership, anyone with an interest in the area can become a member and therefore enjoy these benefits.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees, in making decisions, have had due regard to the commission's public benefit guidance when exercising any powers or duties to which the guidance is relevant.

**Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	

Other		

## Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p><b>Annual Conference</b></p> <p>In 2021, the Society's annual conference was held at the University of Roehampton (with the potential for additional online participation) from 2-4 September. The conference included around 70 participants (speakers, chairs, discussants) from across the globe, representing researchers at all levels from postgraduates and early career researchers to established senior scholars. Plenary lectures were held by Doris Bergen (Toronto), Yair Mintzker (Princeton) and Hedwig Röckelein (Göttingen). Members and non-members alike were able to attend the conference and broaden their knowledge of German history and culture.</p> <p><b>Other Events</b></p> <p>GHS members were invited to collaborate with the German Historical Institute London on a workshop on medieval Germany, held on 6 May 2022.</p> <p>An exhibition part-funded by the GHS entitled 'Behind the Wire: Internment during the First World War' was held at the Old Library Galleries, Leicester, during April-May 2022, and inaugurated by the City Mayor.</p> <p><b>GHS Ukraine Fellowship</b></p> <p>In June 2022, Dr Natalia Gromakova joined the University of Aberdeen's Centre for Polish-Lithuanian Studies as part of the 'Scholars at Risk' Fellowship programme for Ukraine, sponsored by the German History Society in collaboration with the Royal Historical Society.</p> <p>Dr Gromakova specialises in the social and associational life of minorities, including Polish and German speakers in the nineteenth-century Ukrainian lands occupied by Austria and Russia after the Third Partition of Poland in 1795 up to the First World War. She fled her home in Bucha, around 20km north-west</p>

of Kyiv, with her daughter on March 11. Dr Gromakova had been working at the National Pedagogical University in Kyiv as a postdoctoral researcher. She and daughter Olena were able to evacuate the town, which had been under relentless shelling since the outbreak of war, but her husband remained behind to support those defending the country.

The GHS contributed £5,000 to fund Dr. Gromakova's Fellowship. Since then, Dr Gromakova has delivered several papers, including one at Cambridge, and the University of Aberdeen has matched the GHS/RHS funding to enable her to stay on the fellowship for a whole year, until the end of May 2023.

### **Membership**

In May 2022, the Society had 202 members (135 waged, 65 unwaged). The Society's expanded use of social media had an appreciable impact in this regard.

Members of the Society are able to attend the annual conference without paying a fee, and are eligible for the Society's prizes, grants, and bursaries. Membership of the Society also includes a subscription at significantly discounted rates to the internationally-acclaimed journal *German History*, which is published four times a year on behalf of the Society by Oxford University Press.

### **Grants**

The Society received a smaller number of applications than usual for its grants and bursary schemes, given the disruption to research and travel due to COVID.

However, there have been significant increases from last year in applications for in-person language-course grants, and applications to the new hardship fund. The Society has taken care to be flexible in what the awards can be allocated towards – for instance, if research travel were not possible, to consider applications for cost of book purchases and digitising.

For a full financial breakdown of expenditure on grants and bursaries, see the Financial Review section below.

### **GHS Postgraduate awards 2021-22**

GHS/DAAD language course awards (850 Euro each, paid half by GHS, half by DAAD):

There was continuing disruption from Covid but two new awards were made and three students asked to roll over awards to 21/22 year with permission from the DAAD.

Small research grants (of up to £1250 each):

5 applications were received in August 2021 and 5 awarded

2 applications were received in January 2022 and awarded

3 applications were received in April and awarded

Hardship grants (of up to £500 each)

2 applications were received in January 2022 and awarded

2 applications were received in April 2022 and awarded

Major Bursaries (£2500 each)

We had 5 applications and made 2 awards, and offered 1 an award of a small grant equivalent.

Conference funding scheme

We had 1 application and award (up to £2700)

**Exhibition Funding Scheme** – a team of researchers led by Edward Wouk (Manchester) preparing an exhibition entitled ‘Albrecht Dürer’s Material World’ (to be held at The Whitworth, Manchester, 2023–24) was awarded £2,000.

**Prizes**

RHS/GHS Postgraduate Essay prize

The German History Society awards a prize of £500 to the winner of this annual essay competition. In addition, the essays are considered for publication in *German History* journal.

Winners of the 2022 Postgraduate Essay Prize:  
Carmel Heeley (QMUL) for ‘*Jewish Innovations to Conceptions of ‘German Belonging’: The Case of Munich Jewish Businesses*’.

Antonia Anstatt (Oxford) for ‘*Empress and Virgin: Female Sainthood in the Early Thirteenth Century*’.

Joint runners up were Ingrid Schreiber (Oxford): ‘*Solitude and Sociability in Christian Jakob Kraus (1753-1807)*’ and Frederick Crofts (Cambridge): ‘*Calvinist Heidelberg and the East: Marcus zum Lamm Collects Turcica, c. 1600*’.

GHS Undergraduate Essay Prize

The German History Society offers an annual prize of £300 for the best undergraduate dissertation on German History written by a student of history (single

or joint honours, or in a cognate discipline) at a UK or Irish university. Runner-up prizes of £100 each may also be offered at the judges' discretion.

The prizes were awarded to:

Charlotte Dos Remedios (University of Warwick), 'Women's Bodies in Auschwitz: An Exploration of the Psychological Implications of Malnourishment on Female Prisoners' (first prize); Anastasia Rasch-Murphy (University of Warwick), 'Remembering the Marginalised: Epilepsy and Epileptics in Nazi Germany, 1933-1945' (runner-up prize) and Charlotte Rayner (University of Exeter), 'Visions of Nationalism: The Role of the Emperor-Class Liners in Imperial Germany's Nation Building, 1910-1914' (runner-up prize).

#### Equality and Inclusion Prize

For the first time, the Society initiated an award for critical interventions in debates on gender, minorities, migration, ethnicity and equality, including research on critical race studies, LGBTQ+ and queer studies, and disability studies, related to any aspect of the history of Germany and the German-speaking world in its broadest global context. The prize was awarded for the first time in September 2022.

#### German History Article Prize

Each year *German History's* editorial board awards a prize on the behalf of The German History Society for the best article published in the journal. The prize is intended to showcase outstanding work from scholars of German history whatever their career stage, and the winner is invited to receive their award at the annual meeting of the German History Society in September. The prize is worth £500, with an additional £250 of books provided by OUP. Oxford Journals makes the prize-winning articles freely available online.

The winner of the prize in 2021 was Holly Fletcher, whose article 'Belly-Worshippers and Greed-Paunches': Fatness and the Belly in the Lutheran Reformation', was published in *German History* 39(2), June 2021, pp. 173-200.

#### **Journal**

The journal continues to experience a good flow of submissions, largely from early-career scholars based in the UK, US and Germany, although the regular submission of articles from further afield attests to the journal's global reach. Two special issues were in development, both seeking to span early modern,

modern and contemporary history. Publication slots are currently filled until summer 2024. The majority of articles submitted are by early-career scholars but there is also a regular flow of submissions by more senior scholars. In terms of subjects, the articles submitted cover the full range of German history from the early Middle Ages to the present. The journal thus continues to fulfil its mission to be the pre-eminent English-language journal for German history and to command respect throughout the world, including the German-speaking lands.

### **Book Series**

The German History Society has established its own book series, *Studies in German History*, in collaboration with its long-standing publishing partner Oxford University Press.

The series reflects the German History Society's long-standing mission to promote the best scholarship in the broad field of German history, and seeks to build on the innovative directions established by the Society's journal in recent years.

Taking an open, expansive view of what German History is and where that history has been played out, it envisions a broad chronological and geographic scope that encompasses topics from the medieval period to the present day; it seeks to go beyond the traditional confines of German history by adopting a comparative approach or exploring themes that entwine the history of the German-speaking lands with that of other parts of the world; it aims to solicit titles that are intellectually ambitious, whether in their engagement with novel paradigms or their use of concepts and methods from other disciplines; and it seeks to publish work that reaches a readership beyond immediate specialists in a particular field. Above all, it seeks to publish work that engages with historical questions of wider relevance across German and other histories.

The series has now published a total of eleven books. Two appeared during the reporting period:

□ Marjorie Elizabeth Plummer, 'Stripping the Veil: Convent Reform, Protestant Nuns, and Female Devotional Life in Sixteenth-Century Germany' (March 2022)

□ Sarah Greer, 'Commemorating Power in Early Medieval Saxony' (October 2021)

Two more have appeared since:

□ Patrick Milton, 'Intervention and State Sovereignty in Central Europe, 1500-1780' (November 2022)

□ Marcus Colla, 'Prussia in the Historical Culture of the German Democratic Republic' (October 2022)

Martin Christ's 'Biographies of a Reformation' (2021) won the REFORC book award and the Ecclesiastical History Society book award and Craig Griffiths' 'The Ambivalence of Gay Liberation' (2021) was shortlisted for the RHS's Gladstone Prize.

Our contract with OUP is to publish 2-4 books per year, so we are well on target, and we currently have two completed manuscripts and a number of very strong proposals in hand.

### **Outreach**

In April 2022 – April 2023 Jeff Bowersox and his committee worked on four outreach projects, all of which are ongoing. The first, which is ongoing, was the production of a series of videos on objects in German history featuring members of the German History Society. These brief videos use an unusual or otherwise unremarkable historical artifact to tell a broader story, for example about eating habits in the eighteenth century, about the experience of the First World War or the Holocaust or about the course of the Cold War. These videos will be provided free of charge on the GHS website and are intended to be of value not just for the general public but specifically for schoolteachers and sixth-form students in the UK and Ireland.

The second is a collaboration with the Wiener Library to produce a CPD event for teachers around Jewish history and the Holocaust. Jeff Bowersox also developed links with centres like the National Holocaust Centre and Museum in Nottingham and the Weidenfeld Institute of Jewish Studies in Brighton in order to facilitate future projects.

The third is a collaboration with partner organizations like the Association of German Studies (UK) and the German Studies Association (USA) to produce and distribute resources to support the teaching of German language and German history in the UK and Ireland. This year, Jeff Bowersox renewed contacts that were disrupted by the pandemic and together laid out common priorities that will be used in the coming year to lay out a plan of action.

The fourth, and related, activity, is the development of an essay competition to encourage the study of German history among pre-university students. Jeff Bowersox and the committee met with the coordinators of existing essay competitions (e.g. Katrin Kohl of the Oxford German Network) to get guidance on best practices and how to support

		students from varying types of schools and have laid the groundwork to get the essay competition started in the next year.
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**Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		



## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Please find the detailed end of year financial statement on the following pages.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	We continue to experience the longer impact of the pandemic. Some projects, conferences, postgraduate research plans involving travel, as well as the language courses that we support had been postponed, cancelled, or took place online, and we continued to support these projects if applicants wished to see the money transferred into a new financial cycle. We had earmarked the difference from the spendings of two years ago for projects carried into the future, as well as for applications during the last year. Already last year, we spent £8,126 more than in the previous year which shows that the impact of the pandemic was getting smaller. We are proud to announce the income and spending was in balance this financial year (see attached report). We continue to financially support projects carried on due to the impact of the pandemic, as well as future applications.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	See attached report.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
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Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document  (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	<b>Constitution</b>
How is the charity constituted?  (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	<b>Learned Society</b>
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	<p><b>2. Appointment of Trustees</b></p> <p>2.1 For the purposes of this clause, a "year" shall mean a complete period of service between two AGMs.</p> <p>2.2 The Trustees in office on the date of adoption of this Constitution shall remain in post until the expiry of their term of office as determined under the previous constitution (adopted on 1 September 2017), after which the provisions of this Constitution shall apply.</p> <p>2.3 Officerships</p> <p>2.3.1 The Members at AGM shall elect individuals to the Fixed Officerships and Further Officerships described in clauses <b>Error! Reference source not found.</b> and <b>Error! Reference source not found.</b> of the Constitution each for a non-renewable term of three years.</p> <p>2.3.2 After expiry of this three-year term, the Fixed Officerships and Further Officerships shall retire from these positions and shall not be eligible for re-election to them, provided that they shall be eligible for election to other Officerships or otherwise as Trustees, subject to the time limits on Trustee service under sub-clause 2.6.</p> <p>2.3.3 The terms of office of the Chairperson and the</p>

		<p>Secretary shall not normally be co-terminous.</p> <p>2.4 Ex-officio trustees</p> <p>2.4.1 The Editors of the GHS Journal and the Series Editors of Studies in German History for the time being (“the Ex-Officio Trustees”) shall automatically, by virtue of holding those offices, be trustees.</p> <p>2.4.2 If unwilling to act as a trustee, an Ex-Officio Trustee may:</p> <p>(a) before accepting appointment as a Trustee, give notice in writing to the Trustees of his or her unwillingness to act in that capacity; or</p> <p>(b) after accepting appointment as a Trustee, resign under the provisions contained in Constitution sub-clause <b>Error! Reference source not found.</b></p> <p>2.4.3 The office of that Ex-Officio Trustee will then remain vacant until the office holder ceases to hold office.</p> <p>2.5 If there are more applications/nominations for the role of Trustee than there are vacant Trustee positions, the Secretary shall prepare ballot papers for secret elections at the AGM and shall act as returning officer for the elections. Each Member returning a ballot paper at the AGM shall have as many votes as there are vacancies.</p> <p>2.6 Except for the Ex-Officio Trustees, no Trustee shall serve for a period of more than nine years except where the Trustees determine that exceptional circumstances apply. Service accrued prior to the adoption of this Constitution shall not count for the purposes of this sub-clause 2.6.</p>
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		<p>2.7 The Trustees and the Members shall have regard to maintaining broad representation of the various chronological periods of German history in electing Trustees to the Committee.</p> <p>2.8 Every Trustee after appointment or reappointment must sign a declaration of willingness to act as a charity trustee of the Society before he or she may act as a Trustee.</p> <p>2.9 A technical defect in the appointment of a Trustee of which the Trustees are unaware at the time does not invalidate decisions taken at a meeting.</p>
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**Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	

Other		
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### Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	The German History Society
Other name the charity uses	N/A
Registered charity number	1182341
Charity's principal address	c/o Dr. Helen Roche (GHS Secretary) Department of History Durham University 43 North Bailey Durham DH1 3EX

**Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity**

	<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Office (if any)</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	<b>Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)</b>
1	<b>Karin Friedrich</b>	Chair		
2	<b>Helen Roche</b>	Secretary		
3	<b>Stefan Hanss</b>	Treasurer		
4	<b>Sina Steglich</b>	German Historical Institute Representative		
5	<b>Kat Hill</b>	Postgraduate Officer		
6	<b>Anna Ross</b>	Journal Editor		
7	<b>Joachim Whaley</b>	Journal Editor		
8	<b>Neil Gregor</b>	Book Series Editor		
9	<b>Bridget Heal</b>	Book Series Editor		
10	<b>Jeff Bowersox</b>	Schools and Outreach Officer		
11	<b>Mark Jones</b>			
12	<b>Laura Kounine</b>			
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**Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved**

<b>Director name</b>		

**Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity**

<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	


## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

### Additional information (optional)

#### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
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#### Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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## Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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## Other optional information

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GERMAN HISTORY SOCIETY  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2022

PEACOCK ACCOUNTANCY  
INTERNATIONAL HOUSE  
KINGSFIELD COURT  
CHESTER BUSINESS PARK  
CHESTER  
CH4 9RF

**GERMAN HISTORY SOCIETY****INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2022**

	2022			2021			
	GERMAN		TOTAL	GERMAN		TOTAL	
	GENERAL	HISTORY		GENERAL	HISTORY		
	FUNDS	JNL		FUNDS	JNL		
£	£	£	£	£			
<b>INCOME</b>							
<u>Main funding subscriptions &amp; royalties</u>							
Oxford University Press	44,589		44,589	41,430		41,430	
<u>German History Journal grants</u>	-		-	-		-	
Oxford University Press		10,239	10,239		3,406	3,406	
<u>GHS/DAAD language grants</u>	-		-	-		-	
Miscellaneous receipt	2,147		2,147	1,307		1,307	
Bank interest	16		16	22		22	
	<b>46,752</b>	<b>10,239</b>	<b>56,991</b>	<b>42,759</b>	<b>3,406</b>	<b>46,164</b>	
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>							
Annual conference & AGM	3,723		3,723	173		173	
Graduate Assistance Scheme	-		-	-		-	
Post graduate bursaries - Major	18,707		18,707	3,549		3,549	
Post graduate bursaries - Small	7,959		7,959	2,665		2,665	
Hardship Grant	2,000		2,000	-		-	
Ukrainian Scholars at Risk	5,000		5,000	-		-	
GHIL lecture	-		-	-		-	
GHS/DAAD language stipends	1,971		1,971	479		479	
Essay Dissertation and Article prizes	1,600		1,600	750		750	
Workshop	287		287	-		-	
Exhibition funding	963		963	1,850		1,850	
Journal costs		3,776	3,776		2,507	2,507	
	-		-	-		-	
<u>Administration</u>							
Committee travelling expenses	923						
Website & domain costs	8,744			1,268			
Professional fees	-			-			
Accountancy fee	540			540			
Bank charges	60						
	10,267		10,267	1,808		1,808	
Misc expenses	-		-				
	<b>52,477</b>	<b>3,776</b>	<b>56,253</b>	<b>11,273</b>	<b>2,507</b>	<b>13,870</b>	
<b>(DEFICIT/SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5,725</b>	<b>6,463</b>	<b>738</b>	<b>31,485</b>	<b>899</b>	<b>32,384</b>

**GERMAN HISTORY SOCIETY**

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30TH JUNE 2022**

	<u>2022</u>		<u>2021</u>	
	£	£	£	£
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>				
Bank balances - Deposit account	166,736		165,544	
- Current account	1,285		1,593	
- German History Journal acc	<u>7,539</u>		<u>10,768</u>	
		175,560		177,905
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>				
Journal grant received in advance			3,083	
Creditors	540		539	
		<u>540</u>		<u>3,622</u>
		<u><u>175,020</u></u>		<u><u>174,283</u></u>
<b>REPRESENTED BY</b>				
REVENUE ACCOUNTS				
General Funds				
AT 30 JUNE 2021	159,176		127,691	
	-		-	
SURPLUS/DEFICIT FOR THE YEAR	<u>- 5,725</u>		<u>31,485</u>	
		153,451		159,176
German History Journal Fund				
AT 30 JUNE 2021	15,106		14,208	
SURPLUS/DEFICIT FOR THE YEAR	<u>6,463</u>		<u>899</u>	
		<u>21,569</u>		<u>15,106</u>
		<u><u>175,020</u></u>		<u><u>174,283</u></u>



We have prepared, without audit, the foregoing accounts from the books and records of the Society and from the information and explanations given to us. In our opinion they give a true and fair view of the Societys affairs at 30th June 2022

Peacock Accountancy

## Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

<b>Signature(s)</b>		
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Helen Barbara Elizabeth Roche	Karin Friedrich
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Secretary	Chair
<b>Date</b>	14th February 2023	

**THE GERMAN HISTORY SOCIETY**

England & Wales - Charity number 1182341

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# Accounts

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## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01/07/2020 Period start date To 30/06/2021

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Charity registration number: 1182341

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Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p><b>The German History Society (“the Society”)</b></p> <p><b>1. Objects</b></p> <p>The Objects of the Society are, for the public benefit in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland:</p> <p>1.1 To advance education in, and promote the study of, German history, including the history of German-speaking lands, in particular but not exclusively by:</p> <p>1.1.1 Organising public conferences, lectures and events on topics relating to German history;</p> <p>1.1.2 Creating and fostering links between academics, students, scholarly bodies and other individuals and organisations engaged with or interested in German history;</p> <p>1.1.3 Producing and disseminating publications, online resources and other media to provide information relating to the subject and study of German history; and</p> <p>1.1.4 Providing grants and bursaries for study or research into German history, and awarding prizes for exceptional academic work relating to German history, in particular but not exclusively to students and early career scholars.</p> <p>1.2 Nothing in this Constitution shall authorise an application of the property of the Society for purposes which are not charitable in accordance with section 7 of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005</p>

		and section 2 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.
<p>Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.</p>	<p>Para 1.17 and 1.19</p>	<p>The Society promotes learning in the history of Germany and the German-speaking world. It does this, broadly, through events, publication/dissemination of print and online information, awarding grants for study/research and fostering a network of academics, students and other individuals and organisations interested in the discipline.</p> <p>The Society exists to benefit the public at large and many benefits are accessible to all. However, the Society encourages those with an interest in German history to become members and membership confers additional benefits. Membership is easy to obtain and affordable: the cost is £25/year for general membership and £8/year for student membership, which is a lower fee than that charged by many other membership organisations.</p> <p>Members of the Society can access various benefits, which are designed to promote their learning, including automatic subscription to the Society's own journal, eligibility to apply for bursaries/grants and free attendance at the Society's annual conference and various other events.</p> <p>The Society's journal, <i>German History</i>, includes articles/research and other information relevant the field and represents an excellent educational resource. In addition, the Society's website includes a comprehensive list of links to relevant study and research resources, to assist students, scholars and other interested parties to develop their learning in the area.</p> <p>The Society's annual conference and other events provide a platform for leading speakers in German history to showcase their work and educate attendees. These events also facilitate networking between those working, studying or interested in the discipline, thereby providing opportunities to advance education through the sharing of knowledge and ideas.</p> <p>Bursaries and grants allow students and early career scholars to fund items that otherwise may have been unaffordable to them, including study fees, research trips, attending or putting on conferences/events, amongst other things. These awards therefore broaden access to the field and promote learning.</p> <p>The Society also awards various prizes for outstanding work in the field of German history, including a postgraduate essay prize and undergraduate dissertation prize, which are open to students at UK and Irish universities, and a prize for the best article published each year in <i>German History</i> journal.</p> <p>The Society exists to advance education in the history of Germany and the German-speaking world and is</p>

		<p>committed to activities that enable the public at large to become engaged in this discipline.</p> <p>Non-members can subscribe to the German History journal and attend the Society's annual conference and other events, subject to payment of a fee. Therefore, many of the benefits enjoyed by members are available more widely at cost, and therefore contribute to the Society's aims of advancing education in German history for the benefit of the public at large.</p> <p>Furthermore, membership of the Society is open to any person who is studying, teaching or researching German history, or who supports the aims of the Society or is simply interested in the topic. There is no limit on membership numbers. Therefore although members gain benefits by virtue of their membership, anyone with an interest in the area can become a member and therefore enjoy these benefits.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees, in making decisions, have had due regard to the commission's public benefit guidance when exercising any powers or duties to which the guidance is relevant.

**Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	

Other		

## Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p><b>Annual Conference</b></p> <p>In 2020, the Society's annual conference was held online from 2-3 September. The conference included around 50 participants (speakers, chairs, discussants) from across the globe, representing researchers at all levels from postgraduates and early career researchers to established senior scholars. Due to the virtual format, plenary lectures were not held this year. Members and non-members alike were able to attend the conference and broaden their knowledge of German history and culture.</p> <p><b>Other Events</b></p> <p><u>Virtual Book Launch</u> An online book launch took place on August 25 2020 for the recently published <i>Furnace and Fugue: A Digital Edition of Michael Maier's "Atalanta fugiens" (1618) with Scholarly Commentary</i>. This open-access digital book was co-edited by Donna Bilak and Tara Nummedal, and was published with the University of Virginia Press as part of their Studies in Early Modern German History series.</p> <p><u>Webinar for Sixth Form Teachers: 82nd Anniversary of Kristallnacht, 9 November 2020</u> The GHS, in conjunction with The Wiener Holocaust Library, hosted a webinar to mark the 82nd anniversary of the Kristallnacht pogrom in Germany. This event was aimed at Sixth Form History teachers and participation was free for all registrants. This webinar worked with eye-witness testimonies held in The Wiener Holocaust Library, to offer both a commemoration of the Kristallnacht event and an opportunity to discuss how such sources might be used in A-level and equivalent teaching. The webinar was well attended by teachers from English and Scottish schools.</p>

## **Membership**

In May 2021, the Society had 220 members (148 waged, 72 unwaged). The Society's expanded use of social media had an appreciable impact in this regard.

Members of the Society are able to attend the annual conference without paying a fee, and are eligible for the Society's prizes, grants, and bursaries.

Membership of the Society also includes a subscription at significantly discounted rates to the internationally-acclaimed journal *German History*, which is published four times a year on behalf of the Society by Oxford University Press.

## **Grants**

The Society received a smaller number of applications than usual for its grants and bursary schemes, given the disruption to research and travel due to COVID.

The pandemic had a deleterious impact upon applicants' ability to take up language study grants, and also affected applications to the postgraduate grant schemes in general. **For a full financial breakdown of expenditure on grants and bursaries, see the Financial Review section below.**

## **GHS Postgraduate awards 2020**

GHS/DAAD language course awards (850 Euro each, paid half by GHS, half by DAAD):

Normally students attend language courses over the summer months (often linking their courses to research trips). However, disruption caused by COVID-19 in 2020-21 meant that most courses had been cancelled/put online/rescheduled to a later date.. The awards made in 2019-20 had been postponed, and one new application was received and awarded.

Small research grants (of up to £1000 each):

Two applications had been received and awarded.

Major Bursaries (£2000 each)

We had 8 applications and made 4 awards.

**Exhibition Funding Scheme** – Roland Clark and Tim Grady's exhibition "This Fascist Life: European Fascist Movements, 1918-1939" was awarded £1,850.

**Conference funding scheme** – no awards were made this year, due to the pandemic.

## Prizes

### RHS/GHS Postgraduate Essay prize

The German History Society awards a prize of £500 to the winner of this annual essay competition. In addition, the essays are considered for publication in *German History* journal.

The winner of the 2020 Postgraduate Essay Prize offered jointly by The German History Society and The Royal Historical Society was Anna Parker (Cambridge) for her work entitled 'Fashionable Men at the Court and in the City of Renaissance Prague'.

The Society was also able to award a runner-up prize. The recipient of this prize was Annalisa Martin (Birkbeck).

### GHS Undergraduate Essay Prize

The German History Society offers an annual prize of £300 for the best undergraduate dissertation on German History written by a student of history (single or joint honours, or in a cognate discipline) at a UK or Irish university.

The prizes were awarded to:

Wilhelm Emmrich (University of Cambridge), 'German Memory Politics and the 2016 Parliamentary Resolution on the Armenian Genocide' and Adam Millward (University of Kent), 'A Critical Review of the Contemporary Legacy of National Socialist German Language'.

### German History Article Prize

Each year *German History's* editorial board awards a prize on the behalf of The German History Society for the best article published in the journal. The prize is intended to showcase outstanding work from scholars of German history whatever their career stage, and the winner is invited to receive their award at the annual meeting of the German History Society in September. The prize is worth £500, with an additional £250 of books provided by OUP. Oxford Journals makes the prize-winning articles freely available online.

The winner of the prize in 2020 was Oliver Volckart, whose article 'The Dear Old Holy Roman Realm, How Does it Hold Together?' Monetary Policies, Cross-cutting Cleavages and Political Cohesion in the Age of Reformation', was published in *German History* 38(3), September 2020, pp. 365-86.

**Journal**

The journal continues to experience a strong flow of submissions, largely from scholars based in the UK, US and Germany, although the regular submission of articles from further afield attests to the journal's global reach. Three special issues were in development, one each on early modern, modern and contemporary history, covering a diverse range of topics. Publication slots are currently filled until summer 2023. The majority of articles submitted are by early-career scholars but there is also a regular flow of submissions by more senior scholars. In terms of subjects, the articles submitted cover the full range of German history from the early Middle Ages to the present. The journal thus continues to fulfil its mission to be the pre-eminent English-language journal for German history and to command respect throughout the world, including the German-speaking lands.

**Book Series**

During this period, The German History Society established its own book series, Studies in German History, in collaboration with its long-standing publishing partner Oxford University Press.

The series reflects the German History Society's long-standing mission to promote the best scholarship in the broad field of German history, and seeks to build on the innovative directions established by the Society's journal in recent years.

Taking an open, expansive view of what German History is and where that history has been played out, it envisions a broad chronological and geographic scope that encompasses topics from the medieval period to the present day; it seeks to go beyond the traditional confines of German history by adopting a comparative approach or exploring themes that entwine the history of the German-speaking lands with that of other parts of the world; it aims to solicit titles that are intellectually ambitious, whether in their engagement with novel paradigms or their use of concepts and methods from other disciplines; and it seeks to publish work that reaches a readership beyond immediate specialists in a particular field. Above all, it seeks to publish work that engages with historical questions of wider relevance across German and other histories.

This has been an excellent year for the series, which is now fully established, with a total of seven books having appeared by the end of the reporting period. Since the last report four further books have been published:

Craig Griffiths (Manchester Metropolitan), *The Ambivalence of Gay Liberation. Male Homosexual Politics in 1970s West Germany* (February 2021)

Jamie Page (Durham) *Prostitution and Subjectivity in Late Medieval Germany* (April 2021)

Jean-Michel Johnston (Cambridge) *Networks of Modernity: Germany in The Age of the Telegraph, 1830-1880* (May 2021)

Martin Christ (Erfurt), *Biographies of a Reformation. Religious Change and Confessional Co-Existence* (May 2021)

We remain pleased with the distribution of topics, periods, and sub-disciplines. In keeping with the ethos of the GHS, these are widely distributed across all fields from medieval to modern.

Perhaps unsurprisingly, the flow of proposals and manuscripts has slowed slightly over period concerned. Equally understandably, it has taken longer to solicit readers' reports in many instances. Another book is scheduled for late 2021. We currently have one further book under contract which is likely to appear in the next 12 months, but expect the flow to pick up again a little after that as the pandemic eases. Since our arrangement with OUP is to publish 2-4 books a year we do not see this as a problem.

During the reporting year Professor Bridget Heal (St Andrews) replaced Professor Len Scales (Durham) on as series co-editor.

### **Outreach**

In April 2020-April 2021 the then Outreach Officer, Matthew Stibbe, arranged more of the HA podcasts with colleagues mentioned in the previous report. For examples, see

<https://germanhistorysociety.org/resources/>. He and Stefan Manz, his equivalent in the UK-based Association of German Studies, made contact with colleagues from the US-based Association of German Studies who were putting together a new website of resources for German history and cultural studies – the German Studies Collaboratory – in order to discuss common interest. Manz and Stibbe subsequently wrote a blog for the German Studies Collaboratory: see 'German Studies and the Challenge of Outreach to Schools and School Teachers: A UK Perspective', 20 November 2020,

<https://germanstudiescollaboratory.com/german-studies-and-the-challenge-of-outreach-to-schools-and-school-teachers-a-uk-perspective/>.

		<p>Finally, also in November 2020, to mark the anniversary of <i>Kristallnacht</i>, Stibbe and then then Secretary of the GHS, Paul Moore, ran an online seminar-cum-commemorative event aimed at school teachers, in collaboration with the Wiener Library London. Around twenty-five teachers attended, including five from Scotland. The four papers (three by members of the GHS, one from a colleague at the Wiener Library pointing to its new resources) was followed by a two-way discussion between the organisers and the teachers on the challenges of delivering German history and Holocaust teaching within the current A-level curriculum in England and its equivalent in Scotland.</p>
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**Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

<p>Achievements against objectives set</p>	<p>Para 1.41</p>	
<p>Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set</p>	<p>Para 1.41</p>	
<p>Investment performance against objectives</p>	<p>Para 1.41</p>	
<p>Other</p>		



## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Please find the detailed end of year financial statement on the following pages.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	This is due to the impact of the pandemic. Some projects, conferences, postgraduate research plans involving travel, as well as the language courses that we support were postponed, cancelled, or took place online. We had earmarked the difference from previous year's spendings for projects carried into the future, as well as for future applications, last year. In comparison to last year, we spent £8,126 more – which shows that the impact of the pandemic gets smaller. We continue to financially support projects carried on due to the impact of the pandemic, as well as future applications.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	See attached report.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	

A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document  (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	<b>Constitution</b>
How is the charity constituted?  (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	<b>Learned Society</b>
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	<p><b>2. Appointment of Trustees</b></p> <p>2.1 For the purposes of this clause, a "year" shall mean a complete period of service between two AGMs.</p> <p>2.2 The Trustees in office on the date of adoption of this Constitution shall remain in post until the expiry of their term of office as determined under the previous constitution (adopted on 1 September 2017), after which the provisions of this Constitution shall apply.</p> <p>2.3 Officerships</p> <p>2.3.1 The Members at AGM shall elect individuals to the Fixed Officerships and Further Officerships described in clauses <b>Error! Reference source not found.</b> and <b>Error! Reference source not found.</b> of the Constitution each for a non-renewable term of three years.</p> <p>2.3.2 After expiry of this three-year term, the Fixed Officerships and Further Officerships shall retire from these positions and shall not be eligible for re-election to them, provided that they shall be eligible for election to other Officerships or otherwise as Trustees, subject to the time limits on Trustee service under sub-clause 2.6.</p> <p>2.3.3 The terms of office of the Chairperson and the</p>

		<p>Secretary shall not normally be co-terminous.</p> <p>2.4 Ex-officio trustees</p> <p>2.4.1 The Editors of the GHS Journal and the Series Editors of Studies in German History for the time being (“the Ex-Officio Trustees”) shall automatically, by virtue of holding those offices, be trustees.</p> <p>2.4.2 If unwilling to act as a trustee, an Ex-Officio Trustee may:</p> <p>(a) before accepting appointment as a Trustee, give notice in writing to the Trustees of his or her unwillingness to act in that capacity; or</p> <p>(b) after accepting appointment as a Trustee, resign under the provisions contained in Constitution sub-clause <b>Error! Reference source not found.</b></p> <p>2.4.3 The office of that Ex-Officio Trustee will then remain vacant until the office holder ceases to hold office.</p> <p>2.5 If there are more applications/nominations for the role of Trustee than there are vacant Trustee positions, the Secretary shall prepare ballot papers for secret elections at the AGM and shall act as returning officer for the elections. Each Member returning a ballot paper at the AGM shall have as many votes as there are vacancies.</p> <p>2.6 Except for the Ex-Officio Trustees, no Trustee shall serve for a period of more than nine years except where the Trustees determine that exceptional circumstances apply. Service accrued prior to the adoption of this Constitution shall not count for the purposes of this sub-clause 2.6.</p>
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		<p>2.7 The Trustees and the Members shall have regard to maintaining broad representation of the various chronological periods of German history in electing Trustees to the Committee.</p> <p>2.8 Every Trustee after appointment or reappointment must sign a declaration of willingness to act as a charity trustee of the Society before he or she may act as a Trustee.</p> <p>2.9 A technical defect in the appointment of a Trustee of which the Trustees are unaware at the time does not invalidate decisions taken at a meeting.</p>
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**Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	

Other		
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### Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	The German History Society
Other name the charity uses	N/A
Registered charity number	1182341
Charity's principal address	c/o Dr. Helen Roche (GHS Secretary) Department of History Durham University 43 North Bailey Durham DH1 3EX

**Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity**

	<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Office (if any)</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	<b>Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)</b>
1	<b>Karin Friedrich</b>	Chair		
2	<b>Helen Roche</b>	Secretary		
3	<b>Stefan Hanss</b>	Treasurer		
4	<b>Sina Steglich</b>	German Historical Institute Representative		
5	<b>Kat Hill</b>	Postgraduate Officer		
6	<b>Nicholas Stargardt</b>	Journal Editor		
7	<b>Joachim Whaley</b>	Journal Editor		
8	<b>Neil Gregor</b>	Book Series Editor		
9	<b>Bridget Heal</b>	Book Series Editor		
10	<b>Jeff Bowersox</b>	Schools and Outreach Officer		
11	<b>Mark Jones</b>			
12	<b>Laura Kounine</b>			
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**Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved**

<b>Director name</b>		

**Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity**

<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	


## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

### Additional information (optional)

#### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

#### Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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## Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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## Other optional information

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## Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

<b>Signature(s)</b>		
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Helen Barbara Elizabeth Roche	Karin Friedrich
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Secretary	Chair
<b>Date</b>	25 <sup>th</sup> April 2022	

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2021

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HERONSWAY  
CHESTER BUSINESS PARK  
CHESTER  
CH4 9QR

**GERMAN HISTORY SOCIETY****INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2021**

	2021			2020		
	GENERAL FUNDS	GERMAN HISTORY		GENERAL FUNDS	GERMAN HISTORY	
		£	JNL		TOTAL	£
<b>INCOME</b>						
<u>Main funding subscriptions &amp; royalties</u>						
Oxford University Press	41,430		41,430	47,056		47,056
<u>German History Journal grants</u>	-		-	-		-
Oxford University Press		3,406	3,406		3,406	3,406
<u>GHS/DAAD language grants</u>	-		-	2,526		2,526
<u>Miscellaneous receipt</u>	1,307		1,307	987		987
Bank interest	22		22	51		51
	<b>42,759</b>	<b>3,406</b>	<b>46,164</b>	<b>50,620</b>	<b>3,406</b>	<b>54,025</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>						
Annual conference & AGM	173		173	7,225		7,225
Graduate Assistance Scheme	-		-	-		-
Post graduate bursaries - Major	3,549		3,549	-		-
Post graduate bursaries - Small	2,665		2,665	9,290		9,290
GHIL lecture	-		-	-		-
GHS/DAAD language stipends	479		479	2,557		2,557
Essay prizes	750		750	1,250		1,250
Conference funding	-		-	2,410		2,410
Exhibition funding	1,850		1,850	-		-
Journal costs	-	2,507	2,507	-	1,853	1,853
	-		-	-		-
<u>Administration</u>						
Committee travelling expenses	-		-	2,297		2,297
Website & domain costs	1,268		1,268	1,515		1,515
Professional fees	-		-	-		-
Accountancy fee	540		540	540		540
bank charges	-		-	120		120
	<b>1,808</b>		<b>1,808</b>	<b>4,472</b>		<b>4,472</b>
Misc expenses	-		-	709		709
	<b>11,273</b>	<b>2,507</b>	<b>13,780</b>	<b>27,914</b>	<b>1,853</b>	<b>29,767</b>
<b>Profit before tax</b>	<b>31,485</b>	<b>899</b>	<b>32,384</b>	<b>22,706</b>	<b>1,553</b>	<b>24,258</b>
Corporation Tax 30/06/2021						
<b>(DEFICIT)/ SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR</b>	<b>31,485</b>	<b>899</b>	<b>32,384</b>	<b>22,706</b>	<b>1,553</b>	<b>24,258</b>

**GERMAN HISTORY SOCIETY**

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30TH JUNE 2021**

	2021		2020	
	£	£	£	£
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>				
Bank balances - Deposit account	165,544		126,628	
- Current account	1,593		5,680	
- German History Journal acc	<u>10,768</u>		<u>13,214</u>	
		177,905		145,521
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>				
Journal grant received in advance	3,083		3,083	
Creditors	539		539	
Corporation Tax	<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>	
		3,622		3,622
		<u><b>174,283</b></u>		<u><b>141,899</b></u>
<b>REPRESENTED BY</b>				
REVENUE ACCOUNTS				
General Funds				
AT 30 JUNE 2021	127,691		104,985	
Reversal of Corp Tax chg	-		-	
SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR	<u>31,485</u>		<u>22,706</u>	
		159,176		127,691
German History Journal Fund				
AT 30 JUNE 2021	14,208		12,655	
SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR	<u>899</u>		<u>1,553</u>	
		15,106		14,208
		<u><b>174,283</b></u>		<u><b>141,899</b></u>

I have prepared, without audit, the foregoing accounts from the books and records of the Society and from the information and explanations given to me. In my opinion they give a true and fair view of the Societys affairs at 30th June 2021

Peacock Accountancy