

# THE BYRON SOCIETY

England & Wales · Charity number 1197293

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2021-12-23

**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, TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC IN, AND TO PROMOTE KNOWLEDGE OF AND RESEARCH INTO THE LIFE AND WORKS OF THE POET LORD BYRON AND THE HISTORY, LITERATURE, PHILOSOPHY AND CULTURE ASSOCIATED WITH HIM AND TO PUBLISH THE USEFUL RESULTS OF THE RESEARCH.

**Activities:** Activities centre on promoting education, knowledge and research into the life and works of the poet Lord Byron and the history, literature, philosophy and culture associated with him. The society arranges regular lectures and seminars on these topics, sponsors associated conferences and cultural events and grants a PhD Bursary as a funding contribution to postgraduate academic research.

## Classification

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- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Sponsors Or Undertakes Research, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** Education/training, Arts/culture/heritage/science
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- Northern Ireland
- Scotland
- Throughout England

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£126,041	£69,937	-	-
2023-12-31	£90,191	£58,387	-	-
2022-12-31	£0	£0	-	-

## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
<b>THE RT. HON ROBERT JAMES BYRON</b>	Chair	2021-12-23
BERNARD GEOFFREY BEATTY		2021-12-23
Dr Christine Kenyon Jones		2023-04-18
Dr David Robert Sterry Woodhouse		2022-04-26
Dr Karen Caines		2025-06-19
Gill Woodcock		2024-05-16
Kenneth MacDonald Robbie		2021-04-26

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# Accounts

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**THE BYRON SOCIETY**  
**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED**  
**31 DECEMBER 2024**

**REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 1197293**

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**TRUST INFORMATION**

**Trustees:**

Lord Byron  
Mr Bernard Beatty  
Mr Kenneth Robbie  
Mrs Gillian Woodcock  
Dr Emily Paterson-Morgan  
Professor Sir Roderick Beaton  
Dr Karen Caines  
Mr Richard Deakin  
Dr Christine Kenyon-Jones  
Dr David Woodhouse

**Principal Address:**

66 Park Hill  
London  
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**UK Charity Status:**

Registration No 1197293

**Bankers:**

Metro Bank  
One Southampton Row  
London  
WC1B 5HA

**Independent Examiner:**

Abraham & Dobell  
230 Shirley Road  
Southampton  
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**THE BYRON SOCIETY**  
**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED**  
**31 DECEMBER 2024**

The Trustees present their report and unaudited financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 31 December 2024.

**STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

**Governing Document/Organisational Structure**

The Byron Society is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation ('CIO') which was registered with The Charity Commission on 23 December 2021 (charity number 1197293).

Pursuant to an agreement dated 31 December 2022, the Trustees of The Byron Society, charity number 265458, (the Old Society) transferred the whole undertaking of the Old Society as a going concern, with all assets and liabilities, including, without limitation, book debts, cash, contracts, gifts, goodwill, intellectual property rights, rights of action and records to the CIO.

The CIO therefore conducted the activities of the Charity from 1 January 2023, as was reflected in its first full Financial Statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2023.

During the year ended 31 December 2024, the officers of the Charity were:

Lord Byron	President and Deputy Chair
Mr Bernard Beatty	Vice President
Mr Kenneth Robbie	Chair
Mrs Gillian Woodcock	Treasurer
Dr Emily Paterson-Morgan	Secretary

The other Trustees of the Charity during the year were:

Prof Sir Roderick Beaton  
Dr Karen Caines  
Mr Richard Deakin  
Dr Christine Kenyon-Jones  
Dr David Woodhouse

**Risk Management**

The Trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the Charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

**Trustee Recruitment and Appointment**

Trustees seek to ensure that the needs of the Charity are adequately represented through the diversity of the trustee body. Trustees are appointed by agreement, following application and interview.

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## **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

### **Objectives and Aims**

The Byron Society aims to support education and research into the life and work of the poet Lord Byron.

### **Achievements and Performances**

The Byron Society enjoyed a particularly active programme of events in 2024 as 18th April marked the bicentennial of the poet Lord Byron's death in Messolonghi, Greece. Special events included a Memorial Service at Westminster Abbey with a series of readings from Byronists and Byron's descendants followed by dinner at the House of Lords. April also saw the Byron Society take over the organization of the annual Newstead Abbey Byron Conference. The Society sponsored various events such as a special panel for early-career Byron scholars at the conference organised by the British Association of Romantic Studies and a drinks reception at the British Library (in collaboration with the Wordsworth Trust) as part of an all-day session on Byron. Three student travel bursaries were provided for the Newstead Abbey conference. The Society's website was updated to include several new features and make it easier to share information.

The Society once again awarded a PhD Bursary for which there was an encouraging level of strong applications. Two editions of *The Byron Journal* were published, this is the leading forum for authorities on Byron and contains scholarly articles and notes on all aspects of Byron's writings and life.

The project to relocate the Byron Memorial Statue in London from its forgotten and neglected site on a Park Lane traffic island to a prominent location in Hyde Park continued. Fundraising efforts were successful and culminated in a grant from the National Lottery Heritage Fund which will enable the project to proceed. Work on the move is expected to begin in April 2025 and be completed before the end of the year.

### **Public Benefit**

The objects of the Charity are the promotion of education and research into the life and works of Lord Byron. The trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in The Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Charity's aims and objectives and in planning future activities and setting the policy for the year.

## **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

The Charity generated a surplus in the sum of £56,104 (2023 - £31,804). The 2023 surplus included a one-off donation from The Byron Society (the Old Society) of £40,295. Without this one-off donation the Charity would have recorded a deficit of £(8,491) for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Receipts including the donation from the Old Society totalled £126,041 (2023 - £90,191). The expenses were £69,937 (2023 - £58,387). The total Funds as at December 2024 amounted to £87,908 (2023 - £31,804).

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**FINANCIAL REVIEW (CONTINUED)**

The Charity wishes to express its gratitude to the Elma Dangerfield Trust for providing financial support during the year and to Newstead Abbey.

**Reserves Policy and Going Concern**

It is the policy of the Charity to maintain unrestricted funds, which are the free reserves of the Charity, at a level sufficient to cover their immediate future plans. The Trustees are of a view that the Charity is a going concern.

**FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS**

In 2025 the Society will continue to organise a full programme of events, both in-person and online, in support of its aim to educate the public and promote research into the life and works of the poet Lord Byron. Efforts to promote research into the life and works of Lord Byron will continue with support for PhD students, publication of *The Byron Journal* and the Newstead Abbey conference. The Charity will also continue to work with other Byron Societies globally through the International Association of Byron Societies.

The relocation of the Byron Memorial Statue is a major undertaking for the Charity and will involve liaison with many different stakeholders. The relocation also provides an opportunity for a wide-ranging engagement programme including a new interpretation board with a link to a new Hyde Park Byron Memorial website, a documentary about the move, a downloadable audio walking tour around Byron's London, a 3D virtual tour of the memorial and support for digital education materials aimed at GCSE and A-level students.

**STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES**

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the Financial Statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustees to prepare Financial Statements for each financial period, which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the Charity and of its incoming resources and application of resources of the Charity for that period. In preparing those Financial Statements the Trustees are required to:

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

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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES  
(CONTINUED)**

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**STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES (CONTINUED)**

The Trustees are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose, with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the Charity and to enable them to ensure that the Financial Statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and, hence, for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

**ACCOUNTANTS**

A resolution to re-appoint Abraham & Dobell as Independent Examiners will be proposed at the forthcoming meeting.

**Approved by the order of the Board of Trustees on 30 April 2025 and signed on its behalf by:**



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**LORD BYRON  
TRUSTEE**

**REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER  
TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE BYRON SOCIETY  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
31 DECEMBER 2024**

I report on the Accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 December 2024, which we are set out on pages 8 to 16.

**RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER**

As the Charity's Trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the Accounts and you consider that the audit requirement of section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) does not apply and that an Independent Examination is needed.

It is my responsibility:

- to examine the accounts (under section 145(1) of the 2011 Act);
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by The Charity Commission (under section 145(5)b of the 2011 Act) and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**BASIS OF EXAMINER'S REPORT**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by The Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statements below.

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or

**REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER  
(CONTINUED)**

**TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE BYRON SOCIETY**

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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT (CONTINUED)**

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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**DAVID J MANT FCA**  
**INSTITUTE OF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS IN ENGLAND & WALES**

**230 Shirley Road  
Southampton  
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**30 April 2025**

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

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2024 Total Funds £	2023 Total Funds £
<b>INCOME</b>					
Donations and legacies	2	26,090	84,556	110,646	89,714
Charitable activities	3	15,151	-	15,151	465
Investments	4	244	-	244	12
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<u>41,485</u>	<u>84,556</u>	<u>126,041</u>	<u>90,191</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>					
Charitable activities	5	42,099	27,838	69,937	58,387
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>		<u>42,099</u>	<u>27,838</u>	<u>69,937</u>	<u>58,387</u>
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) / NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</b>		(614)	56,718	56,104	31,804
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>					
Total funds brought forward		<u>30,698</u>	<u>1,106</u>	<u>31,804</u>	-
Total funds carried forward		<u>£30,084</u>	<u>£57,824</u>	<u>£87,908</u>	<u>£31,804</u>

The notes on pages 10 to 16 form part of these Financial Statements.

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

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Notes	2024		2023	
		£	£	£	£
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Cash at bank and in hand		89,588		35,944	
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		89,588		35,944	
<b>LIABILITIES</b>					
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	9	1,680		4,140	
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<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>			87,908		31,804
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<b>TOTAL NET ASSETS</b>	10		£87,908		£31,804
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<b>THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY:</b>					
Unrestricted funds	11		30,084		30,698
Restricted income funds			57,824		1,106
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			£87,908		£31,804
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Approved by the trustees on 30 April 2025 and signed on their behalf by:



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**LORD BYRON**  
**TRUSTEE**

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**THE BYRON SOCIETY**  
**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED**  
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**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The accounting policies are summarised below and have been applied consistently throughout the year and in the preceding period.

**(a) Basis of Accounting**

The Financial Statements have been prepared under the historic cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the notes to these Financial Statements. The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their Accounts in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland FRS 102 issued on 18 July 2014 and the Charities Act 2011.

Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value.

The Financial Statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the Charity. Monetary amounts are rounded to the nearest £.

The Charity constitutes a public entity benefit and defined by FRS 102.

**(b) Preparation of the Accounts on a Going Concern Basis**

The trustees have prepared the Financial Statements on a going concern basis.

**(c) Income**

This represents subscriptions and donations receivable together with royalties and income from various functions/activities.

All income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the Charity is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- **Subscriptions**

These represent subscriptions received during the year and subscription fees held in the Charity's Paypal account, some of which relate to earlier years.

- **Investment Income**

This is included in the Financial Statements when receivable.

- **Grants and Donations**

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the Charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**  
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**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**(d) Expenditure**

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.

Support costs comprise those costs incurred by the Charity in the delivery of its activities and services to its members.

Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the Charity.

**(e) Debtors**

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid.

**(f) Cash at Bank and in Hand**

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

**(g) Creditors and Provisions**

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the Charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount.

**(h) Donated Services**

Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the Charity where this can be quantified.

**(i) Fund Accounting**

Unrestricted funds are general funds available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity.

Restricted funds are subject to specific restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal.

The purpose and use of restricted funds are set out in the notes to the Financial Statements.

**THE BYRON SOCIETY**  
**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**  
**(CONTINUED)**

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**2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES**

	<b>Unrestricted Funds £</b>	<b>Restricted Funds £</b>	<b>2024 Total Funds £</b>	<b>2023 Total Funds £</b>
Donation from Old Society	-	-	-	40,295
Donations and grants	20,000	84,556	104,556	46,500
Members' subscriptions	6,090	-	6,090	2,919
Total	£26,090	£84,556	£110,646	£89,714

In 2023 the donations and legacies received were £89,714, of which £63,214 were unrestricted and £26,500 were restricted. There were no donated services and facilities receivable which could be quantified in the year (2023 - £nil).

**3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES**

	<b>Unrestricted Funds £</b>	<b>Restricted Funds £</b>	<b>2024 Total Funds £</b>	<b>2023 Total Funds £</b>
Functions	10,878	-	10,878	£465
Byron journal	4,273	-	4,273	-
	£15,151	£-	£15,151	£465

In 2023 the charitable activities income of £465 was unrestricted.

**4. INVESTMENT INCOME**

	<b>Unrestricted Funds £</b>	<b>Restricted Funds £</b>	<b>2024 Total Funds £</b>	<b>2023 Total Funds £</b>
Bank interest	£244	£-	£244	£12

In 2023 the investment income of £12 was unrestricted.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
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## 5. ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE ON CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Running Costs £	Byron Statue £	2024 Total Funds £	2023 Total Funds £
Management fees	6,320	-	6,320	5,000
Statue expenses	-	27,838	27,838	29,637
Functions and meeting expenses	23,399	-	23,399	8,518
Byron Journal production	2,475	-	2,475	3,721
Donations, bursaries and awards	6,353	-	6,353	8,227
Support costs	1,872	-	1,872	1,784
Governance costs	1,680	-	1,680	1,500
<b>Total</b>	<b>£42,099</b>	<b>£27,838</b>	<b>£69,937</b>	<b>£58,387</b>

Of the expenditure on charitable activities in 2024 of £69,937 (2023 - £58,387), £42,099 were unrestricted funds (2023 - £32,993) and £27,838 were restricted funds (2023 - £25,394).

## 6. ANALYSIS OF GOVERNANCE AND SUPPORT COSTS

The Charity identifies the costs of its support functions. It then identifies those costs which relate to the governance function. Having identified its governance costs, the remaining support costs together with the governance costs are apportioned between the two key charitable activities undertaken (see note 5) in the year. Refer to the table below for the basis for apportionment and the analysis of support and governance costs.

	General Support £	Governance Function £	Total £	Basis of Apportionment
Postage and stationery	467	-	467	Usage
Paypal charges and fees	105	-	105	Transactions
Website, IT and software	985	-	985	Usage
Professional fees	300	-	300	Transactions
Independent Examiner's costs	-	1,680	1,680	Governance
Sundry costs	15	-	15	Transactions
	<b>£1,872</b>	<b>£1,680</b>	<b>£3,552</b>	

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
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31 DECEMBER 20247. ANALYSIS OF MANAGEMENT COSTS, MANAGEMENT NUMBERS, TRUSTEE  
REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES AND THE COST OF KEY  
MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL**Management Costs**

Management costs were as follows:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Management fees	£6,320	£5,000
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**Management Numbers**

The average number of management personnel during the year was 1 (2023 - 1).

**Trustee's remuneration and related party transactions**

No trustees received any remuneration or benefits during the year ended 31 December 2024 (2023 - £nil).

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2024 (2023 - £nil).

The Trustees have not been in receipt of any remuneration nor reimbursement of expenses.

## 8. TAXATION

The CIO, as a registered Charity, is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within s.524 of the Income Tax Act 2007 or s.256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects. No tax provision is therefore required.

## 9. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Other creditors	-	2,640
Accruals	1,680	1,500
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	£1,680	£4,140
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
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10. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	General Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2024 Total Funds £	2023 Total Funds £
Current assets	31,764	57,824	89,588	35,944
Current liabilities	(1,680)	-	(1,680)	(4,140)
<b>Net Assets at 31 December 2024</b>	<b>£30,084</b>	<b>£57,824</b>	<b>£87,908</b>	<b>£31,804</b>

11. ANALYSIS OF CHARITABLE FUNDS

	At 01.01.24 £	Incoming Resources £	Outgoing Resources £	At 31.12.24 £
<b>Analysis of Movements in Unrestricted Funds</b>				
General Fund	30,698	41,485	42,099	30,084
<b>Total Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>30,698</b>	<b>41,485</b>	<b>42,099</b>	<b>30,084</b>
<b>Analysis of Movements in Restricted Funds</b>				
Byron Statue Fund	1,106	84,556	27,838	57,824
<b>Total Restricted Funds</b>	<b>1,106</b>	<b>84,556</b>	<b>27,838</b>	<b>57,824</b>
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>£31,804</b>	<b>£126,041</b>	<b>£69,937</b>	<b>£87,908</b>

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**11. ANALYSIS OF CHARITABLE FUNDS (CONTINUED)**

**Unrestricted Funds**

General Funds

These are funds which the Charity is free to use in accordance with the charitable objects.

**Restricted Funds**

These are funds which the Charity can only spend on a purpose determined by the terms on which the fund is received. This restricted fund is a fund for the relocation of the statue of the poet Lord Byron.

**THE FOLLOWING PAGE  
IS FOR  
MANAGEMENT PURPOSES ONLY**

## THE BYRON SOCIETY

## DETAILED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
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	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2024 Total Funds £	2023 Total Funds £
<b>INCOME</b>				
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<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>41,485</b>	<b>84,556</b>	<b>£126,041</b>	<b>90,191</b>
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<b>EXPENDITURE</b>				
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Statue expenses	-	27,838	27,838	29,637
Postage and stationery	467	-	467	1,151
Paypal charges and fees	105	-	105	66
Website, IT and software	985	-	985	544
Professional fees	300	-	300	-
Independent Examiner's costs	1,680	-	1,680	1,500
Sundry costs	15	-	15	23
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<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>£42,099</b>	<b>£27,838</b>	<b>£69,937</b>	<b>58,387</b>
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<b>SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR</b>	<b>£(614)</b>	<b>£56,718</b>	<b>£56,104</b>	<b>£31,804</b>
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**THE BYRON SOCIETY**

England & Wales - Charity number 1197293

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# Accounts

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**THE BYRON SOCIETY**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED**  
**31 DECEMBER 2023**

**REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 1197293**

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**TRUST INFORMATION**

<b>Trustees:</b>	The Rt Hon Robert James Byron Mr Bernard Beatty Mr Kenneth Robbie Dr David Woodhouse Dr Christine Kenyon-Jones
<b>Principal Address:</b>	66 Park Hill London SW4 9PB
<b>UK Charity Status:</b>	Registration No 1197293
<b>Bankers:</b>	Metro Bank One Southampton Row London WC1B 5HA
<b>Independent Examiner:</b>	Abraham & Dobell 230 Shirley Road Southampton SO15 3HR

**THE BYRON SOCIETY**  
**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED**  
**31 DECEMBER 2023**

The Trustees present their report and unaudited financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 31 December 2023.

## **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

### **Governing Document/Organisational Structure**

The Byron Society is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation ('CIO') which was registered with The Charity Commission on 23 December 2021 (charity number 1197293).

Pursuant to an agreement dated 31 December 2022, the Trustees of The Byron Society, charity number 265458, (the Old Society) transferred the whole undertaking of the Old Society as a going concern, with all assets and liabilities, including, without limitation, book debts, cash, contracts, gifts, goodwill, intellectual property rights, rights of action and records to the CIO.

The CIO therefore conducted the activities of the Charity from 1 January 2023, as is reflected in its first full Financial Statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2023.

During the year ended 31 December 2023, the officers of the Charity were:

The Rt Hon Robert Byron	President and Trustee
Mr Kenneth Robbie	Chair and Trustee
Dr David Woodhouse	Treasurer and Trustee
Dr Emily Patterson-Morgan	Director and Secretary

The other Trustees of the Charity during the year were:

Mr Bernard Beatty  
Dr Christine Kenyon-Jones

In addition members of the Executive Committee of the Old Society who attended Trustee meetings were:

Dr Karen Caines  
Mr Richard Deakin  
Prof Roderick Beaton

### **Risk Management**

The Trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the Charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

### **Trustee Recruitment and Appointment**

Trustees seek to ensure that the needs of the Charity are adequately represented through the diversity of the trustee body. Trustees are appointed by agreement, following application and interview.

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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES**  
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## **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

### **Objectives and Aims**

The Byron Society aims to support education and research into the life and work of the poet Lord Byron.

### **Achievements and Performances**

On 1 January 2023, The Byron Society charity number 265458 donated its entire net assets to The Byron Society charity number 1197293 (CIO).

The Byron Society continued to organise a full programme of events in 2023, both in person and online, in support of its aim to educate the public and promote research into the life and work of the poet Lord Byron. The annual conference was successfully held at Newstead Abbey, Lord Byron's ancestral home, in April 2023. Several applications were received and awarded for the Charity's bursary scheme which is open to any Ph.D student accepted at a UK university for doctoral study materially concerned with the works of Lord Byron. Two further editions of *The Byron Journal* were published by Liverpool University Press on behalf of the Charity. This publication is the leading international forum for authorities on Byron and contains scholarly articles and notes on all aspects of Byron's writings and life, and on related topics. The project to relocate the Byron Memorial Statue in London from its forgotten and neglected site on a Park Lane traffic island to a prominent location in Hyde Park continued, with a reception in December to help support this endeavour.

### **Public Benefit**

The objects of the Charity are the promotion of education and research into the life and works of Lord Byron. The trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in The Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Charity's aims and objectives and in planning future activities and setting the policy for the year.

## **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

The Charity generated a surplus in the sum of £31,804 (2022 - £nil). This included a one-off donation from The Byron Society (the Old Society) of £40,295. Without this one-off donation the Charity would have recorded a deficit of £(8,491).

Receipts including the donation from the Old Society totalled £90,191 (2022 - £nil). The expenses were £58,387 (2022 - £nil). The total Funds as at December 2023 amounted to £31,804 (2022 - £nil).

The Charity wishes to express its gratitude to the Elma Dangerfield Trust for providing financial support during the year.

### **Reserves Policy and Going Concern**

It is the policy of the Charity to maintain unrestricted funds, which are the free reserves of the Charity, at a level sufficient to cover their immediate future plans. The Trustees are of a view that the Charity is a going concern.

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### **FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS**

2024 marks the bicentenary of Lord Byron's death on 18<sup>th</sup> April 1824 in Messolonghi, Greece. In addition to its normal annual activities The Byron Society will be marking this special occasion with several events including a wreath-laying service in Westminster Abbey and dinner at the House of Lords. The Charity will also support related activities such as an all-day session planned at the British Library together with the Wordsworth Trust and a 2-day Byron Symposium led by Trinity College, University of Cambridge. The Charity will continue to work with other Byron Societies globally through the International Association of Byron Societies which will also be holding several events to commemorate the bicentenary.

The Charity will leverage the public interest shown in Byron in this bicentenary year to progress plans to relocate the Byron Memorial Statue. In 2024 the project, which began in 2021, will be further developed including public and charitable trust fundraising, completion of planning permission applications and creating plans for ongoing public engagement activities following the relocation.

### **STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES**

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the Financial Statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustees to prepare Financial Statements for each financial period, which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the Charity and of its incoming resources and application of resources of the Charity for that period. In preparing those Financial Statements the Trustees are required to:

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

The Trustees are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose, with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the Charity and to enable them to ensure that the Financial Statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and, hence, for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

**THE BYRON SOCIETY**  
**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES**  
**(CONTINUED)**  
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**ACCOUNTANTS**

A resolution to re-appoint Abraham & Dobell as Independent Examiners will be proposed at the forthcoming meeting.

Approved by the order of the Board of Trustees on 19 September 2024 and signed on its behalf by:



.....  
**THE RT HON R J BYRON**  
**TRUSTEE**

**REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER**  
**TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE BYRON SOCIETY**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED**  
**31 DECEMBER 2023**

I report on the Accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 December 2022, which we are set out on pages 8 to 16.

**RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER**

As the Charity's Trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the Accounts and you consider that the audit requirement of section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2022 (the 2011 Act) does not apply and that an Independent Examination is needed.

It is my responsibility:

- to examine the accounts (under section 145(1) of the 2011 Act);
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by The Charity Commission (under section 145(5)b of the 2011 Act) and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**BASIS OF EXAMINER'S REPORT**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by The Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statements below.

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or

**REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER  
(CONTINUED)**

**TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE BYRON SOCIETY**

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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT (CONTINUED)**

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



.....  
**DAVID J MANT FCA**  
**INSTITUTE OF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS IN ENGLAND & WALES**

**230 Shirley Road**  
**Southampton**  
**SO15 3HR**

**19 September 2024**

## THE BYRON SOCIETY

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
31 DECEMBER 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2023 Total Funds £	2022 Total Funds £
<b>INCOME</b>					
Donations and legacies	2	63,214	26,500	89,714	-
Charitable activities	3	465	-	465	-
Investments	4	12	-	12	-
		_____	_____	_____	_____
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		63,691	26,500	90,191	-
		_____	_____	_____	_____
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>					
Charitable activities	5	32,993	25,394	58,387	-
		_____	_____	_____	_____
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>		32,993	25,394	58,387	-
		_____	_____	_____	_____
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) / NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</b>		30,698	1,106	31,804	-
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>					
Total funds brought forward		-	-	-	-
		_____	_____	_____	_____
Total funds carried forward		£30,698	£1,106	£31,804	£-
		_____	_____	_____	_____

The notes on pages 10 to 16 form part of these Financial Statements.

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

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

**THE BYRON SOCIETY**  
**BALANCE SHEET**  
**AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023**

	Notes	2023		2022	
		£	£	£	£
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Cash at bank and in hand		35,944		-	
		<u>35,944</u>		<u>-</u>	
<b>LIABILITIES</b>					
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	9	4,140		-	
		<u>4,140</u>		<u>-</u>	
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>			31,804		-
			<u>31,804</u>		<u>-</u>
<b>TOTAL NET ASSETS</b>	10		£31,804		£-
			<u>£31,804</u>		<u>£-</u>
<b>THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY:</b>					
	11				
Unrestricted funds			30,698		-
Restricted income funds			1,106		-
			<u>30,698</u>		<u>-</u>
			<u>1,106</u>		<u>-</u>
			<u>£31,804</u>		<u>£-</u>

Approved by the trustees on 19 September 2024 and signed on their behalf by:



.....  
**THE RT HON R J BYRON**  
**TRUSTEE**

.....

**THE BYRON SOCIETY****NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES****FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
31 DECEMBER 2023****1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The accounting policies are summarised below and have been applied consistently throughout the year and in the preceding period.

**(a) Basis of Accounting**

The Financial Statements have been prepared under the historic cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the notes to these Financial Statements. The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their Accounts in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland FRS 102 issued on 18 July 2014 and the Charities Act 2011.

Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value.

The Financial Statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the Charity. Monetary amounts are rounded to the nearest £.

The Charity constitutes a public entity benefit and defined by FRS 102.

**(b) Preparation of the Accounts on a Going Concern Basis**

The trustees have prepared the Financial Statements on a going concern basis.

**(c) Income**

This represents subscriptions and donations receivable together with royalties and income from various functions/activities.

All income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the Charity is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

**- Subscriptions**

These represent subscriptions received during the year and subscription fees held in the Charity's Paypal account, some of which relate to earlier years.

**- Investment Income**

This is included in the Financial Statements when receivable.

**- Grants and Donations**

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the Charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources.

**THE BYRON SOCIETY**  
**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**  
**(CONTINUED)**  
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**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**(d) Expenditure**

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.

Support costs comprise those costs incurred by the Charity in the delivery of its activities and services to its members.

Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the Charity.

**(e) Debtors**

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid.

**(f) Cash at Bank and in Hand**

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

**(g) Creditors and Provisions**

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the Charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount.

**(h) Donated Services**

Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the Charity where this can be quantified.

**(i) Fund Accounting**

Unrestricted funds are general funds available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity.

Restricted funds are subject to specific restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal.

The purpose and use of restricted funds are set out in the notes to the Financial Statements.

**THE BYRON SOCIETY**  
**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**  
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**FOR THE YEAR ENDED**  
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**2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES**

	<b>Unrestricted Funds £</b>	<b>Restricted Funds £</b>	<b>2023 Total Funds £</b>	<b>2022 Total Funds £</b>
Donation from Old Society	40,295	-	40,295	-
Donations and grants	20,000	26,500	46,500	-
Members' subscriptions	2,919	-	2,919	-
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Total	£63,214	£26,500	£89,714	£-
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In 2022 the donations and legacies received of £nil were unrestricted. There were no donated services and facilities receivable which could be quantified in the year (2022 - £nil).

**3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES**

	<b>Unrestricted Funds £</b>	<b>Restricted Funds £</b>	<b>2023 Total Funds £</b>	<b>2022 Total Funds £</b>
Functions	£465	£-	£465	£-
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In 2022 the charitable activities income of £nil was unrestricted.

**4. INVESTMENT INCOME**

	<b>Unrestricted Funds £</b>	<b>Restricted Funds £</b>	<b>2023 Total Funds £</b>	<b>2022 Total Funds £</b>
Bank interest	£12	£-	£12	£-
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In 2022 the investment income of £nil was unrestricted.

## THE BYRON SOCIETY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
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## 5. ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE ON CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Running Costs £	Byron Statue £	2023 Total Funds £	2022 Total Funds £
Management fees	5,000	-	5,000	-
Statue expenses	4,243	25,394	29,637	-
Functions and meeting expenses	8,518	-	8,518	-
Byron Journal production	3,721	-	3,721	-
Donations, bursaries and awards	8,227	-	8,227	-
Support costs	1,784	-	1,784	-
Governance costs	1,500	-	1,500	-
Total	£32,993	£25,394	£58,387	£-

Of the expenditure on charitable activities in 2023 of £58,387 (2022 - £nil), £32,993 were unrestricted funds and £25,394 were restricted funds.

## 6. ANALYSIS OF GOVERNANCE AND SUPPORT COSTS

The Charity identifies the costs of its support functions. It then identifies those costs which relate to the governance function. Having identified its governance costs, the remaining support costs together with the governance costs are apportioned between the two key charitable activities undertaken (see note 5) in the year. Refer to the table below for the basis for apportionment and the analysis of support and governance costs.

	General Support £	Governance Function £	Total £	Basis of Apportionment
Postage and stationery	1,151	-	1,151	Usage
Paypal charges and fees	66	-	66	Transactions
Website, IT and software	544	-	544	Usage
Independent Examiner's costs	-	1,500	1,500	Governance
Sundry costs	23	-	23	Transactions
	£1,784	£1,500	£3,284	

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
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REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES AND THE COST OF KEY  
MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL**Management Costs**

Management costs were as follows:

	2023 £	2022 £
Management fees	£5,000	£-
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**Management Numbers**

The average number of management personnel during the year was 1 (2022 - none).

**Trustee's remuneration and related party transactions**

No trustees received any remuneration or benefits during the year ended 31 December 2023 (2022 - £nil).

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2023 (2022 - £nil).

The Trustees have not been in receipt of any remuneration nor reimbursement of expenses.

## 8. TAXATION

The CIO, as a registered Charity, is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within s.524 of the Income Tax Act 2007 or s.256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects. No tax provision is therefore required.

## 9. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	2023 £	2022 £
Other creditors	2,640	-
Accruals	1,500	-
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	£4,140	£-
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## THE BYRON SOCIETY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
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## 10. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	<b>General Unrestricted Funds £</b>	<b>Restricted Funds £</b>	<b>2023 Total Funds £</b>	<b>2022 Total Funds £</b>
Current assets	34,838	1,106	35,944	-
Current liabilities	(4,140)	-	(4,140)	-
<b>Net Assets at 31 December 2023</b>	<b>£30,698</b>	<b>£1,106</b>	<b>£31,804</b>	<b>£-</b>

## 11. ANALYSIS OF CHARITABLE FUNDS

	<b>At 01.01.23 £</b>	<b>Incoming Resources £</b>	<b>Outgoing Resources £</b>	<b>At 31.12.23 £</b>
<b>Analysis of Movements in Unrestricted Funds</b>				
General Fund	-	63,691	32,993	30,698
<b>Total Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>63,691</b>	<b>32,993</b>	<b>30,698</b>
<b>Analysis of Movements in Restricted Funds</b>				
Byron Statue Fund	-	26,500	25,394	1,106
<b>Total Restricted Funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>26,500</b>	<b>25,394</b>	<b>1,106</b>
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>£-</b>	<b>£90,191</b>	<b>£58,387</b>	<b>£31,804</b>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**  
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**11. ANALYSIS OF CHARITABLE FUNDS (CONTINUED)**

**Unrestricted Funds**

General Funds

These are funds which the Charity is free to use in accordance with the charitable objects.

**Restricted Funds**

These are funds which the Charity can only spend on a purpose determined by the terms on which the fund is received.

Byron Statue Fund

This is a fund for the relocation of the statue of the poet Lord Byron.

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**THE BYRON SOCIETY**

**REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 1197293**

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**ACCOUNTS**

**PERIOD ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022**

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**TRUST INFORMATION**

**Trustees**

The Lord Byron  
Mr Bernard Beatty  
Mr Kenneth Robbie  
Dr David Woodhouse

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Registration No: 1197293

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**THE BYRON SOCIETY**

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES**

The Trustees present their report and unaudited financial statements of the Society for the period ended 31 December 2022.

The Byron Society (the 'New Society') is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation ('CIO') which was registered with the Charities Commission on 23 December 2021 (charity number 1197293).

The New Society did not conduct any activity in the period under review. During the financial year ended 31 December 2022, the unincorporated Byron Society (the 'Old Society', charity number 265458) continued to conduct the activities of the charity, as reflected in its financial statements for that period, filed with the Charities Commission on 31 October 2023.

Pursuant to an agreement dated 31 December 2022, the Trustees of the Old Society transferred the whole undertaking of the Old Society as a going concern, with all assets and liabilities, including, without limitation, book debts, cash, contracts, gifts, goodwill, intellectual property rights, rights of action and records, to the New Society.

The New Society therefore conducted the activities of the charity from 1 January 2023, as will be reflected in its first full financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2023.

Approved by the order of the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf on 18 April 2024  
by



.....  
David Woodhouse  
Trustee

**THE BYRON SOCIETY**

**PERIOD ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

There were no financial activities in the period.

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2022**

No assets were acquired or liabilities incurred during the period.

Details of the Balance Sheet of the Old Society as at 31 December 2022 can be found in the financial statements of the Old Society for its year ended 31 December 2022, filed with the Charities Commission on 31 October 2023.