

THE SOCIETY OF THE WOMEN OF NAZARETH (KNOWN AS THE LADIES OF THE GRAIL)

England & Wales · Charity number 221076

Details

Other names THE GRAIL

Status Registered

Legal form Trust

Registered 1968-10-30

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

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Activities

Objects: THE CHRISTIANISING OF SOCIETY BY MEANS OF ORGANISED APOSTOLIC SOCIAL WORK.

Activities: The purpose of the Society is, in a Christian context, to help individuals and groups to grow and develop. We express this in an openness to all and particularly in striving to heal and release the gifts of other persons and charitable groups, and in facilitating the creation of community and linking diverse groups within the society.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** NATIONAL AND FOREIGN
- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£196,016	£497,059	-	-
2023-12-31	£819,794	£464,543	£6,767,780	0
2022-12-31	£201,623	£408,684	-	-
2021-12-31	£235,596	£262,680	-	-
2020-12-31	£183,323	£251,992	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Christine Mary Barker		2023-03-06
Dr Philippa Anne Garety		2017-11-20
MARY FRANCES LEAVY		2016-06-20
MOIRA WINEFREDE LEIGH		2013-11-14
SARAH ANNE O'GRADY		2021-02-18
THE VEN ANTONY CHARLES MACROW-WOOD		2021-02-18

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2024

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION
AS AT 31st DECEMBER 2024

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TRUSTEES: The trustees who served during the year were and up to the time these accounts were signed:-

Philippa Garety
Christine Barker
Mary Leavy
Moirra Leigh
Sarah O’Grady
Antony MacRow-Wood

REGISTERED OFFICE: The Hermitage
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BANKERS: HSBC Bank Plc
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS: Adam Halsey
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INVESTMENT POWERS: The Trust Deed places no limitations on the Trustees’ powers of investment

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

The trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2024.

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The Trust is managed by the board of trustees, which meets regularly and takes all decisions relating to policy matters.

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Public Benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have given due consideration to the charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit. These requirements are addressed in this report.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The Trust Deed specifies the objects of the charity to be "the advancement of any charitable work for the time being carried on by or under the direction of the Grail by such lawful charitable means as the trustees think fit."

"As a Society we are aware of God's presence around us in living creation, in each other and all we meet. We are committed to sharing our Christian inspiration and values in and for the world today."

During 2024, we have expressed this purpose in a number of ways. Grants were made to:

- a project supporting and training adults with disabilities in London
- a project based in South Africa offering therapy to victims of trauma
- a UK based project offering support to vulnerable families in Pakistan
- Trustees confirmed continuing support for an organisation working with the elderly to ensure their ability to access parish and church related activities
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Trustees have continued to support the Grail Community in a time of flux, and it has been a challenge to maintain the higher level of grant-making during this period.

Trustees have been liaising with The Grail Society with a view to collaboration in the future.

POST BALANCE SHEET EVENT

On 19th February 2025 the trustees incorporated as a CIO the charity "Women of Nazareth (known as the Ladies of the Grail) CIO" and the trade and activities of this charity were transferred to the new charity on 30th June 2025. When appropriate this trust will be formally de-registered but at the date of signing these financial statements the processes required to effect the de-registration have not happened. The aims and objectives under the new CIO constitution reflect those of this Charity.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (continued)
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FINANCIAL REVIEW

The statement of financial activities on page 8 shows a decrease in income from £819,794 to £196,016. The factor for this decline, was that unlike 2023 a legacy for £613,199 was not received. Expenditure increased from £464,543 to £497,059 due as care costs continue to rise. This resulted in a deficit of £301,043 in 2024 compared to a net surplus of £355,251 in 2023, before gains on investments of £255,217 in 2024 (2023: gain of £200,043).

Going concerns

The trustees are engaged in updating the charity to CIO status and considering the longer-term accommodation needs of the community and, as stated above, examining the way forward for the Grail movement in this country as current members are no longer in a position to operate as in previous times.

Investment power, policy and performance

In accordance with the trust deed, the trustees have power to invest in stocks, shares, investments, and property as they see fit.

One of the considerations of the trustees in the appointment of Epworth Investment Management was their ethical investment mission which promises:

- to follow a discipline in which the ethical dimension is an integral part of all investment decisions
- to construct the investment portfolios consistent with the moral stance and teachings of the Christian faith
- to encourage strategic thinking on the ethics of investment
- to be a Christian witness in the investment community

Since 1 October 2013, the mandate has been one of discretionary management and the trustees review the portfolio with reference to bespoke benchmarks.

The board met with Epworth Investments in the Spring to consider their strategic objectives and consider any changes in the portfolio. As a result of this meeting a decision was taken to resume the payment of dividends as previous large cash balances had become denuded.

The trustees are satisfied with the performance of the investments in the year.

Reserves policy

The society has designated funds for welfare and long-term maintenance. Details of these can be found in note 8 to the accounts. The welfare funds provide for the long-term care and support of the members of the community. The trustees have considered the level of provision taking into account the number, age profile and state of health of the members and keep under constant review the sums required to meet their needs. Long-term maintenance sets aside funds to cover large maintenance expenditure of a non-routine nature. It is the policy of the Society to maintain unrestricted funds, which are the free reserves of the society, at a level, which provides for the day-to-day activities of the society. The undesignated balance of the unrestricted funds (excluding Tangible Fixed Assets) represents approximately 10 years of annual expenditure. The trustees believe that given the economic climate and their current consideration of how best to further the Society's mission in and to the world, this is an appropriate level of free reserves to retain for the purposes set out above under the heading of Objectives and Activities.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (continued)
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Risk management

The trustees continue to assess on a regular basis the risks to which the charity is exposed. They are satisfied that the systems in place are adequate to mitigate our exposure to major risks. A risk register is in place and is reviewed regularly at their meetings. In November 2020 after taking professional advice the trustees adopted a new Safeguarding Policy which is subject to annual review. At the same meeting the Board undertook a briefing/training session on Data Protection and Information Governance prepared in conjunction with a legal representative. The grant-making policy has also been updated.

Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the financial statements in accordance with the 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 year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs at the Charity and of the 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 of the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and reports) Regulations 2008 and with the Trust Deeds dated 24 October 1962 and 20 September 1968. 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.

For and behalf of

TRUSTEES OF THE SOCIETY OF THE WOMEN OF NAZARETH

A. MacRow-Wood

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A MacRow-Wood

Sarah O' Grady

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S O' Grady
Trustee

Date: 28th August 2029

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE SOCIETY OF THE WOMEN OF NAZARETH

Opinion

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the financial statements of the Society of the Women of Nazareth (the Charity), for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the 2011 Act"). The Trustees are satisfied that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and have chosen instead to have an independent examination.

I report in respect of my examination of the Foundation's accounts as carried out under section 44(1)(c) of the 2005 Act and section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed the requirements of the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Adam Halsey
HaysMac LLP
Chartered Accountants

10 Queen Street Place
London
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Date: 3 September 2025

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (Incorporating the income and expenditure account)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Notes	Total Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Total Unrestricted Funds 2023 £
INCOME FROM			
Donations and legacies	9	26,997	646,948
Royalties		16,771	60,704
Publications		30,427	-
Investment income			
Dividends and interest	10	121,821	112,142
TOTAL INCOME		196,016	819,794
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
- Support of the Charity's Ministers		497,059	464,543
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	2	497,059	464,543
NET INCOME (EXPENDITURE) BEFORE GAINS/(LOSSES) ON INVESTMENTS			
		(301,043)	355,251
Gains / (losses) on investments assets	5	255,217	200,043
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		(45,826)	555,294
FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD		6,767,780	6,212,486
FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		6,721,954	6,767,780

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses in the year and therefore a statement of total recognised gains and losses has not been prepared.

All of the above amounts relate to continuing activities.

The accompanying notes form part of these accounts.

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BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Notes	2024		2023	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible fixed assets	4	2,203,475		2,204,747	
Investments	5	<u>4,237,110</u>		<u>3,981,893</u>	
			6,440,585		6,186,640
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	6	110,160		308,954	
Cash at bank, building societies, and in hand		<u>195,414</u>		<u>315,536</u>	
		305,574		624,490	
CREDITORS: amounts due within one year	7	<u>(24,205)</u>		<u>(43,350)</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			<u>281,369</u>		<u>581,140</u>
			<u>6,721,954</u>		<u>6,767,780</u>
FUNDS					
UNRESTRICTED					
Designated	8	1,951,716		1,951,716	
Other charitable funds		<u>4,770,238</u>		<u>4,816,064</u>	
			<u>6,721,954</u>		<u>6,767,780</u>

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Trustees on 28th August 2025 and were signed below on its behalf by:

A. MacRow-Wood

A MacRow-Wood
Trustee

Sarah O' Grady

S O' Grady
Trustee

The accompanying notes form part of these accounts.

SOCIETY OF THE WOMEN OF NAZARETH
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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Statement of compliance:

The society of the women of Nazareth is a charity (registered number 221076) registered in England and Wales. The registered office and principal place of business is: The Hermitage, Cheriton Road, Winchester, SO22 5HW.

The financial statements comprise of:

- Statement of financial activities
- Income and Expenditure Account
- Balance sheet
- Cash flow statement.
- Related notes

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) – (Charities SORP (FRS 102)).

The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s). The currency is pounds sterling, and all figures included are rounded to the nearest pound.

Going concern

The Trustees assess whether the use of going concern is appropriate, whether there are any material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the Charity to continue as a going concern. The Trustees make this assessment in respect of a period of at least one year from the date of authorisation for issue of the financial statements and have concluded that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern, thus they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

Income

All income is included in the statement of financial when the charity is entitled to the income, probable that the income will be received, and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income.

Donations and legacies

Donations and legacies are recognised when receivable or when the Charity legally entitled to them. Receipts of property, investments or other gifts in kind are included at market value at the time of receipt.

Expenditure

Charitable expenditure consists of all expenditure directly relating to the objects of the charity. Certain central costs which cannot be directly apportioned are allocated between charitable expenditure and Governance costs on the basis of the Trustees' estimate of the time spent on relevant functions

Fundraising and publicity costs comprise expenditure incurred by the Charity in appealing for donations and in enhancing the Charity's public image.

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ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Tangible fixed assets

The fixed assets owned by the Charity are valued at cost.

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates to write off each asset to its expected residual value over its expected useful life.

Land	Not depreciated
Buildings	Not depreciated
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	Previously at rates between 10% and 20% on written down value but as the residual value was now negligible it was decided to write it off completely.
Motor vehicles	Previously at 25% on written down values but as the residual value was now negligible it was decided to write it off completely.

Additions to fixed assets costing less than £2,000 are written off in year.

Investments

Investments are a form of basic financial instruments and are initially shown in the financial statements at market value. Movements in the market values of investments are shown as unrealised gains and losses in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Profits and losses on the realisation of investments are shown as realised gains and losses in the Statement of Financial Activities. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated between sales proceeds and their opening carrying values or their purchase value if acquired subsequent to the first day of the financial year. Unrealised gains and losses are calculated as the difference between the fair value at the year end and their carrying value. Realised and unrealised hives anent gains and losses are combined in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Debtors

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

Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments.

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.

Funds

Unrestricted and designated funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objective of the Charity. The purpose and use of the designated funds is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Estimates and judgements

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Although these estimates are based on the Trustees' best knowledge of the amount, events or actions, actual results ultimately differ from these estimates. The Trustees do not consider thereto be any estimates and judgements.

Financial instruments

The Charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments.

Basic financial instruments, including trade and other debtors and creditors are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value. The portfolio of investments held by the Charity is included at fair value.

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

2 EXPENDITURE	Depreciation £	Other £	2024 Total £
Charitable expenditure:			
- Support of the charity's ministry	1,272	458,279	459,551
- Governance of the Charity	-	37,508	37,508
	<u>1,272</u>	<u>495,787</u>	<u>497,059</u>

**EXPENDITURE
COMPARATIVE**

	Depreciation £	Other £	2023 Total £
Charitable expenditure:			
- Support of the charity's ministry	307	451,025	451,332
- Governance of the Charity	-	13,211	13,211
	<u>307</u>	<u>464,236</u>	<u>464,543</u>

All other costs are directly attributable to the activities to which they relate.

	2024	2023
The Governance of the Charity includes:		
Trustees' expenses	1,974	1,149
Independent Examiner's remuneration	<u>5,088</u>	<u>5,040</u>

3 TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION

5 Trustees received reimbursement of £1,667 expenses for travel and subsistence in connection with their duties as trustees (2023: 924).

The charity has no staff, and the trustees are considered to be the key management personnel in the management of the charity.

4 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Land and Buildings £	Furniture & Fittings £	Motor Vehicle £	Total £
COST				
At 1 January 2024 and 31 December	<u>2,432,707</u>	<u>68,915</u>	<u>15,900</u>	<u>2,517,522</u>
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 January 2024	229,232	68,175	15,368	312,775
Charge for the year	-	740	532	1,272
At 31 December 2024	<u>229,232</u>	<u>68,915</u>	<u>15,900</u>	<u>314,047</u>
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 December 2024	<u>2,203,475</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,203,475</u>
At 31 December 2023	<u>2,203,475</u>	<u>740</u>	<u>532</u>	<u>2,204,747</u>

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5	FIXED ASSETS INVESTMENT	2024	2023
		£	£
	Quoted Investments		
	Market value at 1 January 2023	3,981,893	3,892,351
	Additions at cost	45,153	2,176,629
	Disposals at market value	(71,552)	(2,290,046)
	Cash etc. movements	36,104	2,916
	Net (losses) / gains on revaluations	245,512	200,043
	Market value at 31 December 2024	4,237,110	3,981,893
	Historical cost at 31 December 2023	3,981,893	3,892,351
6	DEBTORS	2024	2023
		£	£
	Prepayments and accrued income	110,081	308,634
	Other debtors	79	320
		110,160	308,954
7	CREDITORS	2023	2023
		£	£
	Creditors	19,117	39,030
	Accruals	5,088	4,320
		24,205	43,350
8	DESIGNATED FUNDS		

The following funds have been set aside by the Trustees, out of unrestricted funds, for specific purposes.

	1 January 2024	Designated/ (Released) in the year	31 December 2023
	£	£	£
Welfare	1,905,766	-	1,905,766
Long term maintenance	45,950	-	45,950
	1,951,716	-	1,951,716

Welfare Fund

To provide funds for the long-term care and maintenance of members of the community. A review was undertaken in 2019, and it was felt that the fund was at a realistic level. The fund will continue to be reviewed annually. In consideration of the age and health of the remaining community members it is difficult to be accurate as to timing of this expenditure, but it is considered that a reasonable estimate is that this will cover all eventualities over the next 10 years.

Long Term Maintenance Fund

To provide funds for the maintenance of the buildings owned by the Charity.

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9. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2024	2023
	£	£
Legacies	-	613,199
Donations	26,997	33,749
	<u>26,997</u>	<u>646,948</u>

10. DIVIDENDS AND INTEREST

	2024	2023
	£	£
Dividends	116,785	104,813
Interest	5,036	7,329
	<u>121,821</u>	<u>112,142</u>

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REGISTERED OFFICE:	<p>The Hermitage Cheriton Road Winchester SO22 5HW</p>
BANKERS:	<p>HSBC Bank Plc 2 Love Lane Pinner Middlesex HA5 3EG</p>
AUDITORS	<p>Haysmacintyre LLP Chartered Accountants 10 Queen Street Place London EC4R 1AG</p>
INVESTMENT ADVISERS:	<p>Epworth Investment Management Ltd. 9 Bonhill Street London EC2A 4PE</p>
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2023

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Public Benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have given due consideration to the charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit. These requirements are addressed in this report.

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During 2023 we have expressed this purpose in a number of ways.

- ❖ A grant was made to a charity in the north of England working to provide accommodation and limited financial support, for a period of six months, to destitute women who are Asylum Seekers, and who are applying for leave to remain in the UK or who are actively pursuing an appeal to the immigration tribunal or courts, irrespective of race, colour, ethnicity, religious beliefs or sexual orientation.
- ❖ We also supported the costs of another charity working with new arrival individuals and families of asylum seekers, at least for the first two months when they arrive in their new city to live in dispersal accommodation. The aim being to visit them as soon as they arrive, ensuring they feel welcomed, help them settle and feel cared for.
- ❖ A donation was provided to a UK based charity who work in various countries. The particular project supported their work in India to develop and train people to work with women who are at risk of exploitation and trafficking.
- ❖ Continuing the dialogue with our sister charity, The Grail Society (Waxwell) UK, on a discernment process to examine the way forward for the Grail movement in this country.

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2023

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The statement of financial activities on page 9 shows an increase in income from £201,623 to £819,794. There were two main factors for this rise, the receipt of a large legacy plus an increase in royalties received – offset by a decrease in level of dividends received in 2023. Expenditure increased from £408,684 to £464,543 due to an increase in care and utility costs and additional maintenance outlay – mitigated by a drop in donations from the 2022 level. This resulted in a net surplus of £355,251 in 2023 compared to a net deficit of £207,061 in 2022, before gains on investments of £200,043 in 2023 (2022: loss of £645,284).

Going concerns

The trustees are engaged in updating the charity to CIO status and considering the longer-term accommodation needs of the community and, as stated above, examining the way forward for the Grail movement in this country as current members are no longer in a position to operate as in previous times.

Investment power, policy and performance

In accordance with the trust deed, the trustees have power to invest in stocks, shares, investments, and property as they see fit.

One of the considerations of the trustees in the appointment of Epworth Investment Management was their ethical investment mission which promises:

- to follow a discipline in which the ethical dimension is an integral part of all investment decisions
- to construct the investment portfolios consistent with the moral stance and teachings of the Christian faith
- to encourage strategic thinking on the ethics of investment
- to be a Christian witness in the investment community

Since 1 October 2013, the mandate has been one of discretionary management and the trustees review the portfolio with reference to bespoke benchmarks.

At their meeting with Epworth Investments in March a decision was taken to revert to receiving dividends rather than reinvesting.

The trustees are satisfied with the performance of the investments in the year in the light of the performance of the market during 2023.

Reserves policy

The society has designated funds for welfare and long-term maintenance. Details of these can be found in note 8 to the accounts. The welfare funds provide for the long-term care and support of the members of the community. The trustees have considered the level of provision taking into account the number, age profile and state of health of the members and keep under constant review the sums required to meet their needs. Long-term maintenance sets aside funds to cover large maintenance expenditure of a non-routine nature. It is the policy of the Society to maintain unrestricted funds, which are the free reserves of the society, at a level, which provides for the day-to-day activities of the society. The undesignated balance of the unrestricted funds (excluding Tangible Fixed Assets) represents approximately 5 years of annual expenditure. The trustees believe that given the economic climate and their current consideration of how best to further the Society's mission in and to the world, this is an appropriate level of free reserves to retain for the purposes set out above under the heading of Objectives and Activities.

Risk management

The trustees continue to assess on a regular basis the risks to which the charity is exposed. They are satisfied that the systems in place are adequate to mitigate our exposure to major risks. A risk register is in place and is reviewed regularly at their meetings.

Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

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

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (continued)
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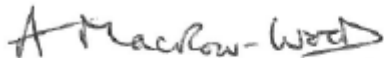
The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs at the Charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the Charity for that period. In preparing, those financial statements the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.
- as recorded above current concentration is centred on changing the status of the charity that of a CIO, considering the long- term accommodation of the community, their ongoing welfare as they grow older, grant making policy and the future of the Grail in this country. They consider current funds are robust enough to accommodate these plans.

Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements (continued)

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and reports) Regulations 2008 and with the Trust Deeds dated 24 October 1962 and 20 September 1968. 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.

TRUSTEES OF THE SOCIETY OF THE WOMEN OF NAZARETH



.....
A MacRow-Wood
Trustee



.....
M Leigh
Trustee

Date: 23rd October 2024

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE SOCIETY OF THE WOMEN OF NAZARETH

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of The Society of The Women Of Nazareth (the Charity) for the year ended 31 December 2023, which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Statement of Cash Flows, and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 December 2023 and of the charity's net movement in funds for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Basis for opinion

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

Conclusions relating to going concern

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

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

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

Other information

The other information comprised the information included in the Trustees' Report other than the financial statements and our Auditor's report thereon. The Trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the Annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements, or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the Trustee's report is inconsistent in any material respect with the financial statements; or
- sufficient and proper accounting records have not been kept; or
- the charity financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE SOCIETY OF THE WOMEN OF NAZARETH (CONTINUED)

Responsibilities of trustees for the financial statements

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

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

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditor under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an Auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

Based on our understanding of the charity and the environment in which it operates, and through discussion with the Trustees and other management (as required by auditing standards), we identified that the principal risks of non-compliance with laws and regulations, related to safeguarding regulations, anti-bribery, care quality commission compliance, employment law and taxes and Charity law, and we considered the extent to which non-compliance might have a material effect on the financial statements. We also considered those laws and regulations that have a direct impact on the preparation of the financial statements such as the Charities Act 2011 and the Charities SORP (FRS 102) and other relevant charity legislation. We communicated identified laws and regulations throughout our team and remained alert to any indications of non-compliance throughout the audit.

We evaluated Trustees and management's incentives and opportunities for fraudulent manipulation of the financial statements (including the risk of override of controls) and determined that the principal risks were related to: recognition of income; posting inappropriate journal entries to increase revenue or reduce expenditure; and management bias in accounting estimates and judgemental areas of the financial statements. Audit procedures performed by the engagement team included:

- Reading minutes of meetings of those charged with governance.
- Discussions with management including consideration of known or suspected instances of non-compliance with laws, regulation, and fraud;
- Challenging assumptions and judgements made by management in their critical accounting estimates.
- Assessment of identified fraud risk factors.
- Performing analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships, including related party transactions, that may indicate risks of material misstatement due to fraud.
- Confirmation of related parties with management, and review of transactions throughout the period to identify any previously undisclosed transactions with related parties outside the normal course of business
- Review of significant and unusual transactions
- Identifying and testing journal entries, in particular manual entries made at the year-end for financial statement preparation.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk is also greater regarding irregularities occurring due to fraud rather than error, as fraud involves intentional concealment, forgery, collusion, omission, or misrepresentation.

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

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under section 154 of that Act. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's Trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an Auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity's Trustees as a body for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



Haysmacintyre LLP 10 Queen Street Place
Statutory Auditors London
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Date: 29 October 2024

Haysmacintyre LLP is eligible to act as an auditor in terms of section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (Incorporating the income and expenditure account)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Notes	Total Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Total Unrestricted Funds 2022 £
INCOME FROM			
Donations and legacies	9	646,948	44,469
Royalties		60,704	12,746
Investment income			
Dividends and interest	10	112,142	144,408
TOTAL INCOME		819,794	201,623
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
- Support of the Charity's Ministers		464,543	408,684
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	2	464,543	408,684
NET INCOME (EXPENDITURE) BEFORE GAINS/(LOSSES) ON INVESTMENTS			
		355,251	(207,061)
Gains / (losses) on investments assets	5	200,043	(645,284)
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		555,294	(852,345)
FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD		6,212,486	7,064,831
FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		6,767,780	6,212,486

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses in the year and therefore a statement of total recognised gains and losses has not been prepared.

All of the above amounts relate to continuing activities.

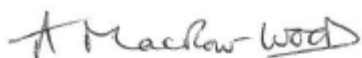
The accompanying notes form part of these accounts.

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BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Notes	2023		2022	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible fixed assets	4	2,204,747		2,205,054	
Investments	5	<u>3,981,893</u>		<u>3,892,351</u>	
			6,186,640		6,097,405
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	6	308,954		2,349	
Cash at bank, building societies, and in hand		<u>315,536</u>		<u>188,650</u>	
		624,490		190,999	
CREDITORS: amounts due within one year	7	<u>(43,350)</u>		<u>(75,918)</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			<u>581,140</u>		<u>115,081</u>
			<u>6,767,780</u>		<u>6,212,486</u>
FUNDS					
UNRESTRICTED					
Designated	8	1,951,716		1,941,716	
Other charitable funds		<u>4,816,064</u>		<u>4,270,770</u>	
			<u>6,767,780</u>		<u>6,212,486</u>

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



A MacRow-Wood
Trustee



M Leigh
Trustee

23/10/24

The accompanying notes form part of these accounts.

**CASH FLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

Statement of cashflows		
	2024	2023
	£	£
Cash flows from operating activities:		
<i>Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities</i>	- 95,757	- 306,934
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Dividends, interest and rents from investments	112,142	144,408
Proceeds from sale of investments	2,290,046	341,739
Other investment movements	- 2,916	-
Purchase of investments	- 2,176,629	- 505,314
<i>Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities</i>	222,643	- 19,167
<i>Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period</i>	126,886	- 326,101
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period	188,650	514,751
<i>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period</i>	315,536	188,650
Reconciliation of net income/(expenditure) to net cash flow from operating activities		
	2024	2023
	£	£
<i>Net income/(expenditure) for the reporting period (as per the statement of financial activities)</i>	555,294	- 852,345
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	307	616
(Gains)/losses on investments	- 200,043	645,284
Dividends, interest and rents from investments	- 112,142	- 144,408
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	- 306,605	- 847
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	- 32,568	44,766
<i>Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities</i>	- 95,757	- 306,934
Analysis of cash and cash equivalents		
	2024	2023
	£	£
Cash in hand	315,536	188,650
Total cash and cash equivalents	315,536	188,650

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Statement of compliance:

The society of the women of Nazareth is a charity (registered number 221076) registered in England and Wales. The registered office and principal place of business is: The Hermitage, Cheriton Road, Winchester, SO22 5HW.

The financial statements comprise of:

- Statement of financial activities
- Income and Expenditure Account
- Balance sheet
- Cash flow statement.
- Related notes

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) – (Charities SORP (FRS 102)).

The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s). The currency is pounds sterling and all figures included are rounded to the nearest pound.

Going concern

The Trustees assess whether the use of going concern is appropriate, whether there are any material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the Charity to continue as a going concern. The Trustees make this assessment in respect of a period of at least one year from the date of authorisation for issue of the financial statements and have concluded that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern, thus they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

Income

All income is included in the statement of financial when the charity is entitled to the income, probable that the income will be received, and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income.

Donations and legacies

Donations and legacies are recognised when receivable or when the Charity legally entitled to them. Receipts of property, investments or other gifts in kind are included at market value at the time of receipt.

Expenditure

Charitable expenditure consists of all expenditure directly relating to the objects of the charity. Certain central costs which cannot be directly apportioned are allocated between charitable expenditure and Governance costs on the basis of the Trustees' estimate of the time spent on relevant functions

Fundraising and publicity costs comprise expenditure incurred by the Charity in appealing for donations and in enhancing the Charity's public image.

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ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Tangible fixed assets

The fixed assets owned by the Charity are valued at cost.

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates to write off each asset to its expected residual value over its expected useful life.

Land	Not depreciated
Buildings	Not depreciated
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	At rates between 10% and 20% on written down value
Motor vehicles	At 25% on written down values

Additions to fixed assets costing less than £2,000 are written off in year.

Investments

Investments are a form of basic financial instruments and are initially shown in the financial statements at market value. Movements in the market values of investments are shown as unrealised gains and losses in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Profits and losses on the realisation of investments are shown as realised gains and losses in the Statement of Financial Activities. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated between sales proceeds and their opening carrying values or their purchase value if acquired subsequent to the first day of the financial year. Unrealised gains and losses are calculated as the difference between the fair value at the year end and their carrying value. Realised and unrealised hives anent gains and losses are combined in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Debtors

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

Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments.

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.

Funds

Unrestricted and designated funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objective of the Charity. The purpose and use of the designated funds is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Estimates and judgements

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Although these estimates are based on the Trustees' best knowledge of the amount, events or actions, actual results ultimately differ from these estimates. The Trustees do not consider thereto be any estimates and judgements.

Financial instruments

The Charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments.

Basic financial instruments, including trade and other debtors and creditors are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value. The portfolio of investments held by the Charity is included at fair value.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)
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2 EXPENDITURE

	Depreciation £	Other £	2023 Total £
Charitable expenditure:			
- Support of the charity's ministry	307	451,025	451,332
- Governance of the Charity	-	13,211	13,211
	<u>307</u>	<u>464,236</u>	<u>464,543</u>

**EXPENDITURE
COMPARATIVE**

	Depreciation £	Other £	2022 Total £
Charitable expenditure:			
- Support of the charity's ministry	616	396,069	396,685
- Governance of the Charity	-	11,998	11,998
	<u>616</u>	<u>408,067</u>	<u>408,683</u>

All other costs are directly attributable to the activities to which they relate.

	2023	2022
The Governance of the Charity includes		
Trustees expenses	1,149	Nil
Independent Auditor's remuneration	5,040	4,320
	<u>5,040</u>	<u>4,320</u>

3 TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION

Trustees received reimbursement of £924 expenses in connection with their duties as trustees.. (2022: Nil) the charity has no staff and the trustees are considered to be the key management personnel in the management of the charity.

4 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Land and Buildings £	Furniture & Fittings £	Motor Vehicle £	Total £
COST				
At 1 January 2023 and 31 December	<u>2,432,707</u>	<u>68,915</u>	<u>15,900</u>	<u>2,517,522</u>
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 January 2023	229,232	68,045	15,191	312,468
Charge for the year	-	130	177	307
At 31 December 2023	<u>229,232</u>	<u>68,175</u>	<u>15,368</u>	<u>312,775</u>
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 December 2023	<u>2,203,475</u>	<u>740</u>	<u>532</u>	<u>2,204,747</u>
At 31 December 2022	<u>2,203,475</u>	<u>870</u>	<u>709</u>	<u>2,205,054</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

5	FIXED ASSETS INVESTMENT	2023	2022
		£	£
	Quoted Investments		
	Market value at 1 January 2023	3,892,351	4,374,060
	Additions at cost	2,176,629	505,314
	Disposals at market value	(2,290,046)	(341,739)
	Cash etc. movements	2,916	
	Net (losses) / gains on revaluations	200,043	(645,284)
	Market value at 31 December 2023	<u>3,981,893</u>	<u>3,892,351</u>
	Historical cost at 31 December 2022	<u>3,892,351</u>	<u>4,374,060</u>
6	DEBTORS	2023	2022
		£	£
	Prepayments and accrued income	308,634	979
	Other debtors	320	1,370
		<u>308,954</u>	<u>2,349</u>
7	CREDITORS	2023	2022
		£	£
	Creditors	39,030	67,715
	Accrued expenditure	4,320	8,203
		<u>43,350</u>	<u>75,918</u>

8 DESIGNATED FUNDS

The following funds have been set aside by the Trustees, out of unrestricted funds, for specific purposes.

	1 January 2023	Designated/ (Released) in the year	31 December 2023
	£	£	£
Welfare	1,905,766	-	1,905,766
Long term maintenance	35,950	10,000	45,950
	<u>1,941,716</u>	<u>10,000</u>	<u>1,951,716</u>

Welfare Fund

To provide funds for the long-term care and maintenance of members of the community. A review was undertaken in 2019 and it was felt that the fund was at a realistic level. The fund will continue to be reviewed annually. In consideration of the age and health of the remaining community members it is difficult to be accurate as to timing of this expenditure, but it is considered that a reasonable estimate is that this will cover all eventualities over the next 10 years.

Long Term Maintenance Fund

To provide funds for the maintenance of the buildings owned by the Charity

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)
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9. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2023	2022
	£	£
Legacies	613,199	10,243
Donations	33,749	34,226
	<u>646,948</u>	<u>44,469</u>

10. DIVIDENDS AND INTEREST

	2023	2022
	£	£
Dividends	104,813	122,235
Interest	7,329	22,173
	<u>112,142</u>	<u>144,408</u>

THE SOCIETY OF THE WOMEN OF NAZARETH (KNOWN AS THE LADIES OF THE GRAIL)

England & Wales - Charity number 221076

Accounts

SOCIETY OF THE WOMEN OF NAZARETH
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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THE SOCIETY OF THE WOMEN OF NAZARETH

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Statement of Financial Position as at 31st December 2022

Statement of Financial Performance for the year ended 31st December 2022

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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Haysmacintyre LLP
Chartered Accountants
Registered Auditors

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2022

- STATUS:** The Society is an unincorporated charity, registered with the Charity Commission under number 221076.
- NAME:** The charity is registered as ‘Society of the Women of Nazareth’, and is also known as Ladies of the Grail.
- TRUSTEES:** The trustees who served during the year were and up to the time these accounts were signed:-
- Christine Barker (appointed 6 March 2023)
Philippa Garety
Mary Grasar (resigned 6 March 2023)
Antony MacRow Wood
Philip Hayllar
Mary Leavy
Moirra Leigh
Sarah O’Grady
- REGISTERED OFFICE:** The Hermitage
Cheriton Road
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SO22 5HW
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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

The trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under Section 144 (2) of the Charities Act 2011 and that an independent examination is required.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

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Organisation

The Trust is managed by the board of trustees, which meets regularly and takes all decisions relating to policy matters.

Trustees

The trustees who served during the year are set out on the charity information page at the front of these accounts. The trustees are responsible for the administration and investment policy of the charity. The number and expertise of members is kept under constant review and it will be noted that additional trustees were appointed early in 2021 in order to facilitate succession planning and maintain our skills.

Public Benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have given due consideration to the charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit. These requirements are addressed in this report.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The Trust Deed specifies the objects of the charity to be "the advancement of any charitable work for the time being carried on by or under the direction of the Grail by such lawful charitable means as the trustees think fit".

"As a Society we are aware of God's presence around us in living creation, in each other and all we meet. We are committed to sharing our Christian inspiration and values in and for the world today".

During 2022 we have expressed this purpose in a number of ways.

- ❖ An additional sum was agreed and paid to support the initiative of a local worshipping community in improving and expanding their facilities in order that they may be better able to serve the local community.
- ❖ The second instalment of a grant, payable in three annual instalments, to a group exploring innovative ways of responding to the spiritual needs of older people as they seek to build on the progress made previously in producing an information pack was delayed due to the interruption in their plans to appoint a Lay Chaplain for Older People due to limitations imposed by Covid – 19.
- ❖ A grant was made to a community sponsorship group in the south of England as they seek, in conjunction with the Home Office to welcome a refugee family into their neighbourhood.
- ❖ A donation was granted to a night shelter project to assist with necessary equipment, heating and catering.
- ❖ Support was provided towards the living costs of a volunteer working in an orphanage in the Lebanon.
- ❖ Money was provided to a training institute in Uganda for computer lab equipment and networking. The institute is sustainable for their operating costs but were finding it nigh on impossible to continue their training programmes as well as meet their mission and objective of empowering the disadvantaged and vulnerable groups in their society with their existing equipment – especially as COVID – 19 meant all training had to be virtual.
- ❖ Regular contributions to the Winchester Food Bank.
- ❖ Providing residential 'breaks' for individuals under stress.
- ❖ Continuing the dialogue with our sister charity, The Grail Society (Waxwell) UK, on a discernment process to examine the way forward for the Grail movement in this country.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (continued)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The statement of financial activities on page 7 shows a slight decrease in income from £235,596 to £201,623. Expenditure increased to £408,684 from £262,680 due to increased costs in support of the Charity's Ministries. This resulted in a net deficit of £207,061 in 2022 (2021 net deficit £27,084).

Investment power, policy and performance

In accordance with the trust deed, the trustees have power to invest in stocks, shares and investments and property as they see fit.

One of the considerations of the trustees in the appointment of Epworth Investment Management was their ethical investment mission which promises:

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Since 1 October 2013 the mandate has been one of discretionary management and the trustees review the portfolio with reference to bespoke bench marks.

The board are planning to meet with Epworth Investments in 2023 to refresh the advice given at the start of their discretionary relationship with them, review progress and consider future plans. During 2020 the trustees transferred a substantial element of their investments into a newly established fund divested from fossil fuels.

The trustees are satisfied with the performance of the investments in the year.

Reserves policy

The society has designated funds for welfare and long-term maintenance. Details of these can be found in note 8 to the accounts. The welfare funds provide for the long-term care and support of the members of the community. The trustees have considered the level of provision taking into account the number, age profile and state of health of the members and keep under constant review the sums required to meet their needs. Long-term maintenance sets aside funds to cover large maintenance expenditure of a non-routine nature. It is the policy of the Society to maintain unrestricted funds, which are the free reserves of the society, at a level, which provides for the day-to-day activities of the society. The undesignated balance of the unrestricted funds (excluding Tangible Fixed Assets) represents approximately 5 years of annual expenditure. The trustees believe that given the economic climate and their current consideration of how best to further the Society's mission in and to the world, this is an appropriate level of free reserves to retain for the purposes set out above under the heading of Objectives and Activities.

Risk management

The trustees continue to assess on a regular basis the risks to which the charity is exposed. They are satisfied that the systems in place are adequate to mitigate our exposure to major risks. A risk register is in place and is reviewed regularly at their meetings.

Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

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

SOCIETY OF THE WOMEN OF NAZARETH
(also known as Ladies of the Grail)

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (continued)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

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

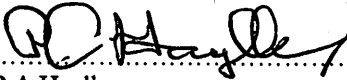
- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed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

Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements (continued)

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and reports) Regulations 2008 and with the Trust Deeds dated 24 October 1962 and 20 September 1968. 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.

For and behalf of

TRUSTEES OF THE SOCIETY OF THE WOMEN OF NAZARETH



P A Hayllar
Trustee



Moira Leigh
Trustee

Date: 22/8/2023

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE SOCIETY OF THE WOMEN OF NAZARETH

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Society of The Women Of Nazareth (the Charity) for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Charity Trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act'),

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

- 1, accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Adam Halsey FCA DChA
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10 Queen Street Place
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Date: 4 September 2023

SOCIETY OF THE WOMEN OF NAZARETH
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (Incorporating the income and expenditure account)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Notes	Total Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Total Unrestricted Funds 2021 £
INCOME FROM			
Donations and legacies		44,469	83,395
Royalties		12,746	37,922
Charitable activities			
Conferences and fees		0	0
Investment income			
Dividends and interest		144,408	144,279
TOTAL INCOME		<u>201,623</u>	<u>235,596</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
- Support of the Charity's Ministers		408,684	262,680
- Books and publications		0	0
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	2	<u>408,684</u>	<u>262,680</u>
NET INCOME (EXPENDITURE) BEFORE GAINS/(LOSSES) ON INVESTMENTS		(207,061)	(27,084)
Unrealised (losses) gains on investments assets	5	<u>(645,284)</u>	<u>545,171</u>
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		(852,345)	518,087
FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD		<u>7,064,831</u>	<u>6,546,744</u>
FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>£6,212,486</u>	<u>£7,064,831</u>

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses in the year and therefore a statement of total recognised gains and losses has not been prepared.

All of the above amounts relate to continuing activities.

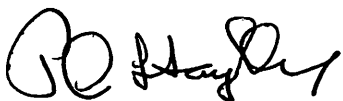
The accompanying notes form part of these accounts.

SOCIETY OF THE WOMEN OF NAZARETH
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BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Notes	2022		2021	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible fixed assets	4	2,205,054		2,205,670	
Investments	5	<u>3,892,351</u>		<u>4,374,060</u>	
			6,097,405		6,579,730
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	6	2,349		1,502	
Cash at bank, building societies, and in hand		<u>188,650</u>		<u>514,751</u>	
		190,999		516,253	
CREDITORS: amounts due within one year	7	<u>(75,918)</u>		<u>(31,152)</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			<u>115,081</u>		<u>485,101</u>
			<u>6,212,486</u>		<u>7,064,831</u>
FUNDS					
UNRESTRICTED					
Designated	8	1,941,716		2,176,673	
Other charitable funds		<u>4,270,770</u>		<u>4,888,158</u>	
			<u>6,212,486</u>		<u>7,064,831</u>

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



P A Hayllar
Trustee



Moira Leigh Trustee
Trustee

The accompanying notes form part of these accounts.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies adopted, judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

Preparation of financial statements on a going concern basis

The Trustees consider there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern. The review of the financial position, reserves levels and future plans gives Trustees confidence the Charity remains a going concern for the foreseeable future.

Income

All income is included in the statement of financial activities when the Charity is entitled to the income, it probable that income will be received and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

Donations and legacies

Donations and legacies are recognised when receivable or when the Charity becomes legally entitled to them Receipts of property, investments or other gifts in kind are included at market value at the time of receipt.

Expenditure

Charitable expenditure consists of all expenditure directly relating to the objects of the Charity. Certain central costs which cannot be directly apportioned are allocated between charitable expenditure and Governance costs on the basis of the Trustees' estimate of the time spent on the relevant functions.

Fundraising and publicity costs comprise expenditure incurred by the Charity in appealing for donations and in enhancing the Charity's public image.

Governance costs include expenditure on compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements.

Tangible fixed assets

The fixed assets owned by the Charity were valued at cost.

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates to write off each asset to its expected residual value over its expected useful life:

Land	Not depreciated
Buildings	Not depreciated
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	At rates between 10% and 20% on written down value
Motor vehicles	At 25% on written down values

Additions to fixed assets costing less than £2000 are written off in the year.

SOCIETY OF THE WOMEN OF NAZARETH
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Investments

Investments are a form of basic financial instruments and are initially shown in the financial statements at market value. Movements in the market values of investments are shown as unrealised gains and losses in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Profits and losses on the realisation of investments are shown as realised gains and losses in the Statement of Financial Activities. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated between sales proceeds and their opening carrying values or their purchase value if acquired subsequent to the first day of the financial year. Unrealised gains and losses are calculated as the difference between the fair value at the year end and their carrying value. Realised and unrealised investment gains and losses are combined in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Debtors

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

Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments.

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.

Funds

Unrestricted and designated funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objective of the Charity. The purpose and use of the designated funds is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Estimates and judgements

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Although these estimates are based on the Trustees' best knowledge of the amount, events or actions, actual results ultimately differ from these estimates. The Trustees do not consider there to be any estimates and judgements.

Financial instruments

The Charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments.

Basic financial instruments, including trade and other debtors and creditors are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value. The portfolio of investments held by the Charity is included at fair value.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

2 EXPENDITURE	Depreciation £	Other £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
Charitable expenditure:				
- Support of the charity's ministry	616	396,069	396,685	241,515
- Books and publications	-	0	0	0
- Governance of the Charity	-	11,998	11,998	21,165
	<u>616</u>	<u>408,067</u>	<u>408,683</u>	<u>262,680</u>

**EXPENDITURE
COMPARATIVE**

	Depreciation £	Other £	2021 Total £
Charitable expenditure:			
- Support of the charity's ministry	790	240,725	241,515
- Books and publications	-	-	-
- Governance of the Charity	-	21,165	21,165
	<u>790</u>	<u>261,890</u>	<u>262,680</u>

All other costs are directly attributable to the activities to which they relate.

	2022	2021
The Governance of the Charity includes		
Independent Examiner's remuneration	<u>4,320</u>	<u>3,600</u>

3 TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION

Trustees received reimbursement of expenses in connection with their duties as trustees. (2021: Nil)

4 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Land and Buildings £	Furniture & Fittings £	Motor Vehicle £	Total £
COST				
At 1 January 2022 and 31 December	<u>2,432,707</u>	<u>68,915</u>	<u>15,900</u>	<u>2,517,522</u>
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 January 2022	229,232	67,666	14,954	311,852
Charge for the year	<u>-</u>	<u>379</u>	<u>237</u>	<u>616</u>
At 31 December 2022	<u>229,232</u>	<u>68,045</u>	<u>15,191</u>	<u>312,468</u>
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 December 2022	<u>2,203,475</u>	<u>870</u>	<u>709</u>	<u>2,205,054</u>
At 31 December 2021	<u>2,203,475</u>	<u>1,249</u>	<u>946</u>	<u>2,205,670</u>

SOCIETY OF THE WOMEN OF NAZARETH
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

5	FIXED ASSETS INVESTMENT	2022	2021
		£	£
	Quoted Investments		
	Market value at 1 January 2022	4,374,060	3,821,889
	Additions at cost	505,314	3,769,672
	Disposals at market value	(341,739)	(3,762,672)
	Net (losses) / gains on revaluations	(645,284)	545,171
	Market value at 31 December 2022	<u>3,892,351</u>	<u>4,374,060</u>
	Historical cost at 31 December 2021	<u>4,374,060</u>	<u>3,821,889</u>
6	DEBTORS	2022	2021
		£	£
	Prepayments	979	1,502
	Other debtors	1,370	-
		<u>2,349</u>	<u>1,502</u>
7	CREDITORS	2022	2021
		£	£
	Creditors	67,715	12,552
	Accrued expenditure	8,203	18,600
		<u>75,918</u>	<u>31,152</u>
8	DESIGNATED FUNDS		

The following funds have been set aside by the Trustees, out of unrestricted funds, for specific purposes.

	1 January 2022	Designated/ (Released) in the year	31 December 2022
	£	£	£
Welfare	2,114,173	(208,407)	1,905,766
Long term maintenance	62,500	(26,550)	35,950
	<u>2,176,673</u>	<u>(234,957)</u>	<u>1,941,716</u>

Welfare Fund

To provide funds for the long term care and maintenance of members of the community. A review was undertaken in 2019 and it was felt that the fund was at a realistic level. The fund will continue to be reviewed annually.

Long Term Maintenance Fund

To provide funds for the maintenance of the buildings owned by the Charity.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

9 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

	2022	2021
	£	£
Financial assets at fair value	<u>£ 3,892,351</u>	<u>£4,374,060</u>
Financial assets at amortised cost	<u>£-</u>	<u>£-</u>
Financial liabilities at amortised cost	<u>£-</u>	<u>£-</u>

Financial assets measured at fair value comprise investments.

THE SOCIETY OF THE WOMEN OF NAZARETH (KNOWN AS THE LADIES OF THE GRAIL)

England & Wales - Charity number 221076

Accounts

THE SOCIETY OF THE WOMEN OF NAZARETH
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THE SOCIETY OF THE WOMEN OF NAZARETH
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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION
 AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2021

STATUS: The Society is an unincorporated association registered with the Charity Commission under number 113774

NAME: The charity is registered as 'Society of the Women of Nazareth', and is also known as 'Ladies of the Grail'

TRUSTEES: The trustees who served during the year were and up to the time these accounts were signed:

- Philippa Lewis
- Mrs. Emma
- Philip Hildreth
- Mary Leary
- Mona East
- Suzanne O'Leary
- Christine Clark

THE SOCIETY OF THE WOMEN OF NAZARETH
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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

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INVESTMENT POWERS:

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Haysmacintyre LLP
 Chartered Accountants
 Registered Auditors

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Philippa Garety
Mary Grasar
Philip Hayllar
Mary Leavy
Moiria Leigh
Sarah O'Grady
Antony MacRow Wood
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THE SOCIETY OF THE WOMEN OF NAZARETH
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

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Public Benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have given due consideration to the charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit. These requirements are addressed in this report.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

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During 2021 we have expressed this purpose in a number of ways.

- ❖ The trustees continued their support to a local charity offering a service to support people who are homeless and vulnerably housed by agreeing a grant payable over two years. This funded to help towards general core funding in the light of their awareness of the difficulties being experienced during the ongoing pandemic and the additional strains being endured as they open their new accommodation block.
- ❖ A further donation was provided to a community of brothers in Kampala enabling them to renovate their community house thus ensuring they were able to continue their work supporting elderly lay people, vulnerable children and young people making sure they receive essential basic needs.
- ❖ A grant was provided to support the work of an NGO working in Pakistan for the benefit of women and girls in the highly deprived and conservative areas in the northwest of the country.
- ❖ Regular contributions to the Winchester Food Bank.
- ❖ Continuing the dialogue with our sister charity, The Grail Society (Waxwell) UK, on a discernment process to examine the way forward for the Grail movement in this country.
- ❖ The community member suffering from macular degeneration continues to attend groups in the locality that meet regularly to help maximise the support for people with this and other visual impairment. She also serves on the committee of Winchester Talking Newspaper.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The statement of financial activities on page 7 shows an increase in income from £182,323 to £235,596 mainly due to an increase in royalty income of £19,494 and investment income of £34,853 compared to 2020. Expenditure increased slightly to £262,680 from £251,760 due to increased costs in support of the Charity's Ministries predominantly due to additional welfare costs. This resulted in a net deficit of £27,084 in 2021 (2020 net deficit £69,669).

Investment power, policy and performance

In accordance with the trust deed, the trustees have power to invest in stocks, shares and investments and property as they see fit.

One of the considerations of the trustees in the appointment of Epworth Investment Management was their ethical investment mission which promises:

- to follow a discipline in which the ethical dimension is an integral part of all investment decisions
- to construct the investment portfolios consistent with the moral stance and teachings of the Christian faith
- to encourage strategic thinking on the ethics of investment
- to be a Christian witness in the investment community

Since 1 October 2013 the mandate has been one of discretionary management and the trustees review the portfolio with reference to bespoke bench marks.

The board met with Epworth Investments in November 2021 to consider their strategic objectives and consider any changes in the portfolio. As a result of this meeting and in the light of significant cash holdings a decision was taken to reinvest all dividends for the subsequent six months and subject to ongoing review.

The trustees are satisfied with the performance of the investments in the year.

Reserves policy

The society has designated funds for welfare and long-term maintenance. Details of these can be found in note 8 to the accounts. The welfare funds provide for the long-term care and support of the members of the community. The trustees have considered the level of provision taking into account the number, age profile and state of health of the members and keep under constant review the sums required to meet their needs. Long-term maintenance sets aside funds to cover large maintenance expenditure of a non-routine nature. It is the policy of the Society to maintain unrestricted funds, which are the free reserves of the society, at a level, which provides for the day-to-day activities of the society. The undesignated balance of the unrestricted funds (excluding Tangible Fixed Assets) represents approximately 10 years of annual expenditure. The trustees believe that given the economic climate and their current consideration of how best to further the Society's mission in and to the world, this is an appropriate level of free reserves to retain for the purposes set out above under the heading of Objectives and Activities.

Risk management

The trustees continue to assess on a regular basis the risks to which the charity is exposed. They are satisfied that the systems in place are adequate to mitigate our exposure to major risks. A risk register is in place and is reviewed regularly at their meetings. In November 2020 after taking professional advice the trustees adopted a new Safeguarding Policy. At the same meeting the Board undertook a briefing/training session on Data Protection and Information Governance prepared in conjunction with a legal representative.

Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

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

THE SOCIETY OF THE WOMEN OF NAZARETH
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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (continued)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

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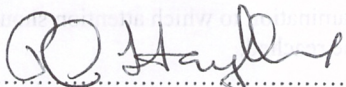
- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP;
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- prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

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For and behalf of

TRUSTEES OF THE SOCIETY OF THE WOMEN OF NAZARETH



P A Hayllar
Trustee



Moira Leigh
Trustee

Date: 11 August 2022

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE SOCIETY OF THE WOMEN OF NAZARETH

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Society of The Women of Nazareth (the Charity) for the year ended 31 December 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Charity Trustees of the Charity, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act'),

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
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I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Adam Halsey FCA DChA
Haysmacintyre LLP
10 Queen Street Place
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Date: 11 August 2022

THE SOCIETY OF THE WOMEN OF NAZARETH
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (Incorporating the income and expenditure account)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Notes	Total Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Total Unrestricted Funds 2020 £
INCOME FROM			
Donations and legacies		83,395	83,881
Royalties		37,922	18,428
Charitable activities			
Conferences and fees		-	588
Investment income			
Dividends and interest		114,279	79,426
TOTAL INCOME		<u>235,596</u>	<u>182,323</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
- Support of the Charity's Ministers		262,680	251,876
- Books and publications		-	116
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	2	<u>262,680</u>	<u>251,992</u>
NET INCOME (EXPENDITURE) BEFORE GAINS/(LOSSES) ON INVESTMENTS		(27,084)	(69,669)
Unrealised (losses) gains on investments assets	5	<u>545,171</u>	<u>(229,245)</u>
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		518,087	(298,914)
FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD		<u>6,546,744</u>	<u>6,845,658</u>
FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>£7,064,831</u>	<u>£6,546,744</u>

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses in the year and therefore a statement of total recognised gains and losses has not been prepared.

All of the above amounts relate to continuing activities.

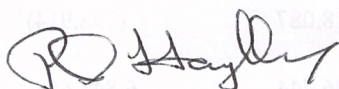
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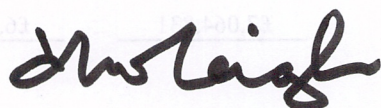
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Notes	2021		2020	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible fixed assets	4	2,205,670		2,206,460	
Investments	5	<u>4,374,060</u>		<u>3,821,889</u>	
			6,579,730		6,028,349
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	6	1502		9,596	
Cash at bank, building societies, and in hand		<u>514,751</u>		<u>523,232</u>	
		516,253		532,828	
CREDITORS: amounts due within one year	7	<u>(31,152)</u>		<u>(14,433)</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			<u>485,101</u>		<u>518,395</u>
			<u>7,064,831</u>		<u>6,546,744</u>
FUNDS					
UNRESTRICTED					
Designated	8	2,176,673		2,261,478	
Other charitable funds		<u>4,888,158</u>		<u>4,285,266</u>	
			<u>7,064,831</u>		<u>6,546,744</u>

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Trustees on 11 August 2022 and were signed below on its behalf by:



P A Hayllar
Trustee



Moira Leigh Trustee
Trustee

The accompanying notes form part of these accounts.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies adopted, judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)).

The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

Preparation of financial statements on a going concern basis

The Trustees consider there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern. The review of the financial position, reserves levels and future plans gives Trustees confidence the Charity remains a going concern for the foreseeable future.

Income

All income is included in the statement of financial activities when the Charity is entitled to the income, it is probable that income will be received and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

Donations and legacies

Donations and legacies are recognised when receivable or when the Charity becomes legally entitled to them Receipts of property, investments or other gifts in kind are included at market value at the time of receipt.

Expenditure

Charitable expenditure consists of all expenditure directly relating to the objects of the Charity. Certain central costs which cannot be directly apportioned are allocated between charitable expenditure and Governance costs on the basis of the Trustees' estimate of the time spent on the relevant functions.

Fundraising and publicity costs comprise expenditure incurred by the Charity in appealing for donations and in enhancing the Charity's public image.

Governance costs include expenditure on compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements.

Tangible fixed assets

The fixed assets owned by the Charity were valued at cost.

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates to write off each asset to its expected residual value over its expected useful life:

Land	Not depreciated
Buildings	Not depreciated
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	At rates between 10% and 20% on written down value
Motor vehicles	At 25% on written down values

Additions to fixed assets costing less than £2,000 are written off in the year.

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Investments

Investments are a form of basic financial instruments and are initially shown in the financial statements at market value. Movements in the market values of investments are shown as unrealised gains and losses in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Profits and losses on the realisation of investments are shown as realised gains and losses in the Statement of Financial Activities. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated between sales proceeds and their opening carrying values or their purchase value if acquired subsequent to the first day of the financial year. Unrealised gains and losses are calculated as the difference between the fair value at the year end and their carrying value. Realised and unrealised investment gains and losses are combined in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Debtors

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

Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments.

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.

Funds

Unrestricted and designated funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objective of the Charity. The purpose and use of the designated funds is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Estimates and judgements

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Although these estimates are based on the Trustees' best knowledge of the amount, events or actions, actual results ultimately differ from these estimates. The Trustees do not consider thereto be any estimates and judgements.

Financial instruments

The Charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments.

Basic financial instruments, including trade and other debtors and creditors are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value. The portfolio of investments held by the Charity is included at fair value.

THE SOCIETY OF THE WOMEN OF NAZARETH
(also known as Ladies of the Grail)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

2 EXPENDITURE

	Depreciation £	Other £	2021 Total £	2020 Total £
Charitable expenditure:				
- Support of the charity's ministry	790	240,725	241,515	239,625
- Books and publications	-	-	-	116
- Governance of the Charity	-	21,165	21,165	12,251
	<u>790</u>	<u>261,890</u>	<u>262,680</u>	<u>251,992</u>

**EXPENDITURE
COMPARATIVE**

	Depreciation £	Other £	2020 Total £
Charitable expenditure:			
- Support of the charity's ministry	1,424	238,201	239,625
- Books and publications	-	116	116
- Governance of the Charity	-	12,251	12,251
	<u>1,424</u>	<u>250,568</u>	<u>251,992</u>

All other costs are directly attributable to the activities to which they relate.

	2021	2020
The Governance of the Charity includes Independent Examiner's remuneration	<u>3,600</u>	<u>3,872</u>

3 TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION

Trustees received reimbursement of expenses in connection with their duties as trustees. (2020: Nil)

4 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Land and Buildings £	Furniture & Fittings £	Motor Vehicle £	Total £
COST				
At 1 January 2022 and 31 December	<u>2,432,707</u>	<u>68,915</u>	<u>15,900</u>	<u>2,517,522</u>
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 January 2021	229,232	67,192	14,638	311,062
Charge for the year	-	474	316	790
At 31 December 2021	<u>229,232</u>	<u>67,666</u>	<u>14,954</u>	<u>311,852</u>
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 December 2021	<u>2,203,475</u>	<u>1,249</u>	<u>946</u>	<u>2,205,670</u>
At 31 December 2020	<u>2,203,475</u>	<u>1,723</u>	<u>1,262</u>	<u>2,206,460</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

5	FIXED ASSETS INVESTMENT	2021	2020
		£	£
	Quoted Investments		
	Market value at 1 January 2021	3,821,889	4,014,023
	Additions at cost	3,769,672	1,904,857
	Disposals at market value	(3,762,672)	(1,867,746)
	Net (losses) / gains on revaluations	545,171	(229,245)
	Market value at 31 December 2021	<u>4,374,060</u>	<u>3,821,889</u>
	Historical cost at 31 December 2020	<u>3,821,889</u>	<u>2,959,000</u>
6	DEBTORS	2021	2020
		£	£
	Prepayments	1,502	5,566
	Other debtors	-	4,030
		<u>1,502</u>	<u>9,596</u>
7	CREDITORS	2021	2020
		£	£
	Creditors	12,552	5,833
	Accrued expenditure	18,600	8,600
		<u>31,152</u>	<u>14,433</u>
8	DESIGNATED FUNDS		

The following funds have been set aside by the Trustees, out of unrestricted funds, for specific purposes.

	1 January 2021 £	Designated/ (Released) in the year £	31 December 2021 £
Welfare	2,223,428	(109,255)	2,114,173
Long term maintenance	38,050	24,450	62,500
	<u>2,261,478</u>	<u>(84805)</u>	<u>2,176,673</u>

Welfare Fund

To provide funds for the long term care and maintenance of members of the community. A review was undertaken in 2019 and it was felt that the fund was at a realistic level. The fund will continue to be reviewed annually.

Long Term Maintenance Fund

To provide funds for the maintenance of the buildings owned by the Charity.

THE SOCIETY OF THE WOMEN OF NAZARETH
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

9 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

	2021	2020
	£	£
Financial assets at fair value	<u>£4,374,060</u>	<u>£3,821,889</u>
Financial assets at amortised cost	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ -</u>
Financial liabilities at amortised cost	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ -</u>

Financial assets measured at fair value comprise investments.

THE SOCIETY OF THE WOMEN OF NAZARETH (KNOWN AS THE LADIES OF THE GRAIL)

England & Wales - Charity number 221076

Accounts

SOCIETY OF THE WOMEN OF NAZARETH
(also known as Ladies of the Grail)

THE SOCIETY OF THE WOMEN OF NAZARETH
(also known as Ladies of the Grail)

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020

Haysmacintyre LLP
Chartered Accountants
Registered Auditors

SOCIETY OF THE WOMEN OF NAZARETH
(also known as Ladies of the Grail)

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2020

STATUS: The Society is an unincorporated charity, registered with the Charity Commission under number 221076.

NAME: The charity is registered as 'Society of the Women of Nazareth', and is also known as Ladies of the Grail.

TRUSTEES: The trustees who served during the year were and up to the time these accounts were signed:-

Philippa Garety
Mary Grasar
Philip Hayllar
Mary Leavy
Moira Leigh
Sarah O'Grady (appointed 18 February 2021)
Antony MacRow Wood (appointed 18 February 2021)

REGISTERED OFFICE: The Hermitage
Cheriton Road
Winchester
SO22 5HW

BANKERS: HSBC Bank Plc
2 Love Lane
Pinner
Middlesex
HA5 3EG

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS: Haysmacintyre
Chartered Accountants
26 Red Lion Square
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INVESTMENT ADVISERS: Epworth Investment Management Ltd.
9 Bonhill Street
London
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INVESTMENT POWERS: The Trust Deed places no limitations on the Trustees' powers of investment

SOCIETY OF THE WOMEN OF NAZARETH
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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020

The trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under Section 144 (2) of the Charities Act 2011 and that an independent examination is required.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The Society is governed by Trust Deeds dated 24 October 1962, 20 September 1968 and 12 November 2018 constitution and rules registered with the Charity Commission (Number 221076).

Organisation

The Trust is managed by the board of trustees which meets regularly and takes all decisions relating to policy matters.

Trustees

The trustees who served during the year are set out on the charity information page at the front of these accounts. The trustees are responsible for the administration and investment policy of the charity. The number and expertise of members is kept under constant review and it will be noted that additional trustees were appointed early in 2021 in order to facilitate succession planning and maintain our skills. As pointed out last year 2020 proved to be a disconcerting and difficult period for the community and the governance of the charity. Covid-19 presented major disruption to community life – shielding and distancing within an ageing community is not easy to manage or experience. Visiting the two members in care has been severely restricted. To date the trustees have met on five occasions – all virtually. They have kept in contact with the previous recipients of grants as they were aware that Covid-19 had affected their planned projects and, where appropriate, have agreed to alterations in their work when necessary.

Public Benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have given due consideration to the charity Commission’s general guidance on public benefit. These requirements are addressed in this report.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The Trust Deed specifies the objects of the charity to be “the advancement of any charitable work for the time being carried on by or under the direction of the Grail by such lawful charitable means as the trustees think fit”.

“As a Society we are aware of God’s presence around us in living creation, in each other and all we meet. We are committed to sharing our Christian inspiration and values in and for the world today”.

During 2020 we have expressed this purpose in a number of ways.

- ❖ An additional sum was agreed and paid to support the initiative of a local worshipping community in improving and expanding their facilities in order that they may be better able to serve the local community.
- ❖ The second instalment of a grant, payable in three annual instalments, to a group exploring innovative ways of responding to the spiritual needs of older people as they seek to build on the progress made previously in producing an information pack was delayed due to the interruption in their plans to appoint a Lay Chaplain for Older People due to limitations imposed by Covid – 19.
- ❖ A grant was made to a community sponsorship group in the south of England as they seek, in conjunction with the Home Office to welcome a refugee family into their neighbourhood.
- ❖ A donation was granted to a night shelter project to assist with necessary equipment, heating and catering.
- ❖ Support was provided towards the living costs of a volunteer working in an orphanage in the Lebanon.
- ❖ Money was provided to a training institute in Uganda for computer lab equipment and networking. The institute is sustainable for their operating costs but were finding it nigh on impossible to continue their training programmes as well as meet their mission and objective of empowering the disadvantaged and vulnerable groups in their society with their existing equipment – especially as COVID – 19 meant all training had to be virtual.
- ❖ Regular contributions to the Winchester Food Bank.
- ❖ Providing residential ‘breaks’ for individuals under stress.
- ❖ Continuing the dialogue with our sister charity, The Grail Society (Waxwell) UK, on a discernment process to examine the way forward for the Grail movement in this country.
- ❖ The community member suffering from macular degeneration continues to attend groups in the locality that meet regularly to help maximise the support for people with this and other visual impairment. She also serves on the committee of Winchester Talking Newspaper.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (continued)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The statement of financial activities on page 6 shows a decrease in income from £290,880 to £182,323 mainly due to decreases in royalty income of £105,995 and investment income of £39,712 compared to 2019 offset by an increase of £36,796 in donations and legacies received. Expenditure increased to £251,991 from £244,159 due to increased costs in support of the Charity's Ministries. This resulted in a net deficit of £69,668 in 2020 (2019 net surplus £46,721).

Investment power, policy and performance

In accordance with the trust deed, the trustees have power to invest in stocks, shares and investments and property as they see fit.

One of the considerations of the trustees in the appointment of Epworth Investment Management was their ethical investment mission which promises:

- to follow a discipline in which the ethical dimension is an integral part of all investment decisions
- to construct the investment portfolios consistent with the moral stance and teachings of the Christian faith
- to encourage strategic thinking on the ethics of investment
- to be a Christian witness in the investment community

Since 1 October 2013 the mandate has been one of discretionary management and the trustees review the portfolio with reference to bespoke benchmark.

The board are planning to meet with Epworth Investments in November 2020 to refresh the advice given at the start of their discretionary relationship with them, review progress and consider future plans. During 2020 the trustees transferred a substantial element of their investments into a newly established fund divested from fossil fuels.

The trustees are satisfied with the performance of the investments in the year.

Reserves policy

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Risk management

The trustees continue to assess on a regular basis the risks to which the charity is exposed. They are satisfied that the systems in place are adequate to mitigate our exposure to major risks. A risk register is in place and is reviewed regularly at their meetings.

Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (continued)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020

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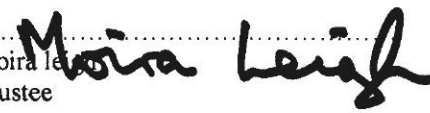
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For and behalf of

TRUSTEES OF THE SOCIETY OF THE WOMEN OF NAZARETH


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P A Hayllar
Trustee

18/11/2020


.....
Moira Leigh
Trustee

Date: 18/11/2020

SOCIETY OF THE WOMEN OF NAZARETH
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE SOCIETY OF THE WOMEN OF NAZARETH

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I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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Date: 23 November 2021

SOCIETY OF THE WOMEN OF NAZARETH
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (Incorporating the income and expenditure account)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Notes	Total Unrestricted Funds 2020 £	Total Unrestricted Funds 2019 £
INCOME FROM			
Donations and legacies		83,881	47,386
Royalties		18,428	124,423
Charitable activities			
Conferences and fees		588	234
Investment income			
Dividends and interest		79,426	118,837
TOTAL INCOME		182,323	290,880
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
- Support of the Charity's Ministers		251,876	244,012
- Books and publications		116	147
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	2	251,992	244,159
NET INCOME (EXPENDITURE) BEFORE GAINS/(LOSSES) ON INVESTMENTS		(69,669)	46,721
Unrealised (losses) gains on investments assets	5	(229,245)	458,874
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		(298,914)	505,595
FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD		6,845,658	6,340,063
FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		£6,546,744	£6,845,658

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses in the year and therefore a statement of total recognised gains and losses has not been prepared.

All of the above amounts relate to continuing activities.

The accompanying notes form part of these accounts.

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BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Notes	2020		2019	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible fixed assets	4	2,206,460		2,209,266	
Investments	5	<u>3,821,889</u>		<u>4,014,023</u>	
			6,028,349		6,223,289
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	6	9,596		8,381	
Cash at bank, building societies, and in hand		<u>523,232</u>		<u>623,052</u>	
		532,828		631,433	
CREDITORS: amounts due within one year	7	<u>(14,433)</u>		<u>(9,064)</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			<u>518,395</u>		<u>622,369</u>
			<u>6,546,744</u>		<u>6,845,658</u>
FUNDS					
UNRESTRICTED					
Designated	8	2,261,478		2,360,978	
Other charitable funds		<u>4,285,266</u>		<u>4,484,680</u>	
			<u>6,546,744</u>		<u>6,845,658</u>

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Trustees on 18th November 2021 and were signed below on its behalf by:

P A Hayllar
 Trustee



Moira Leigh Trustee
 Trustee

The accompanying notes form part of these accounts.

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies adopted, judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

Preparation of financial statements on a going concern basis

The Trustees consider there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern. The review of the financial position, reserves levels and future plans gives Trustees confidence the Charity remains a going concern for the foreseeable future.

Income

All income is included in the statement of financial activities when the Charity is entitled to the income, it probable that income will be received and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

Donations and legacies

Donations and legacies are recognised when receivable or when the Charity becomes legally entitled to them Receipts of property, investments or other gifts in kind are included at market value at the time of receipt.

Expenditure

Charitable expenditure consists of all expenditure directly relating to the objects of the Charity. Certain central costs which cannot be directly apportioned are allocated between charitable expenditure and Governance costs on the basis of the Trustees' estimate of the time spent on the relevant functions.

Fundraising and publicity costs comprise expenditure incurred by the Charity in appealing for donations and in enhancing the Charity's public image.

Governance costs include expenditure on compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements.

Tangible fixed assets

The fixed assets owned by the Charity were valued at cost.

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates to write off each asset to its expected residual value over its expected useful life:

Land	Not depreciated
Buildings	Not depreciated
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	At rates between 10% and 20% on written down value
Motor vehicles	At 25% on written down values

Additions to fixed assets costing less than £2,000 are written off in the year.

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Investments

Investments are a form of basic financial instruments and are initially shown in the financial statements at market value. Movements in the market values of investments are shown as unrealised gains and losses in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Profits and losses on the realisation of investments are shown as realised gains and losses in the Statement of Financial Activities. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated between sales proceeds and their opening carrying values or their purchase value if acquired subsequent to the first day of the financial year. Unrealised gains and losses are calculated as the difference between the fair value at the year end and their carrying value. Realised and unrealised investment gains and losses are combined in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Debtors

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

Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments.

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.

Funds

Unrestricted and designated funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objective of the Charity. The purpose and use of the designated funds is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Estimates and judgements

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Although these estimates are based on the Trustees' best knowledge of the amount, events or actions, actual results ultimately differ from these estimates. The Trustees do not consider there to be any estimates and judgements.

Financial instruments

The Charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments.

Basic financial instruments, including trade and other debtors and creditors are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value. The portfolio of investments held by the Charity is included at fair value.

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2 EXPENDITURE	Depreciation £	Other £	2020 Total £	2019 Total £
Charitable expenditure:				
- Support of the charity's ministry	1,424	238,201	239,625	226,680
- Books and publications	-	116	116	147
- Governance of the Charity	-	12,251	12,251	17,332
	<u>1,424</u>	<u>250,568</u>	<u>251,992</u>	<u>244,159</u>

**EXPENDITURE
COMPARATIVE**

	Depreciation £	Other £	2019 Total £
Charitable expenditure:			
- Support of the charity's ministry	30,970	195,710	226,680
- Books and publications	-	147	147
- Governance of the Charity	-	17,332	17,332
	<u>30,970</u>	<u>213,189</u>	<u>244,159</u>

All other costs are directly attributable to the activities to which they relate.

	2020	2019
The Governance of the Charity includ		
Independent Examiner's remunera	<u>3,872</u>	<u>3,580</u>

TRUSTEES'

3 REMUNERATION

No trustee received any remuneration in connection with their duties as trustees. No expenses were reimbursed to Trustees in 2020 (2019: Nil)

4 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Land and Buildings £	Furniture & Fittings £	Motor Vehicle £	Total £
COST				
At 1 January 2020	2,432,707	68,915	23,875	2,525,407
Disposal	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(7,885)</u>	<u>-</u>
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 January 2020	229,232	66,600	20,309	316,141
Disposal depreciation	-	-	(6,503)	-
Charge for the year	-	592	832	1,424
At 31 December 2020	<u>229,232</u>	<u>67,192</u>	<u>14,638</u>	<u>311,062</u>
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 December 2020	<u>2,203,475</u>	<u>1,723</u>	<u>1,262</u>	<u>2,206,460</u>
At 31 December 2019	<u>2,203,475</u>	<u>2,315</u>	<u>3,476</u>	<u>2,209,266</u>

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5	FIXED ASSETS INVESTMENT	2020	2019
		£	£
	Quoted Investments		
	Market value at 1 January 2020	4,014,023	3,654,464
	Additions at cost	1,904,857	694,685
	Disposals at market value	(1,867,746)	(794,000)
	Net (losses) / gains on revaluations	(229,245)	458,874
	Market value at 31 December 2020	<u>3,821,889</u>	<u>4,014,023</u>
	Historical cost at 31 December 2019	<u>2,959,000</u>	<u>2,959,000</u>
6	DEBTORS	2020	2019
		£	£
	Prepayments	5,566	5,866
	Other debtors	4,030	2,515
		<u>9,596</u>	<u>8,381</u>
7	CREDITORS	2020	2019
		£	£
	Creditors	5,833	-
	Accrued expenditure	8,600	9,064
		<u>14,433</u>	<u>9,064</u>

8 DESIGNATED FUNDS

The following funds have been set aside by the Trustees, out of unrestricted funds, for specific purposes.

	1 January 2020	Designated/ (Released) in the year	31 December 2020
	£	£	£
Welfare	2,314,928	(91,500)	2,223,428
Long term maintenance	46,050	(8,000)	38,050
	<u>2,360,978</u>	<u>(99,500)</u>	<u>2,261,478</u>

Welfare Fund

To provide funds for the long-term care and maintenance of members of the community.

Long Term Maintenance Fund

To provide funds for the maintenance of the buildings owned by the Charity.

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9 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

	2020	2019
	£	£
Financial assets at fair value	<u>£3,821,889</u>	<u>£4,014,023</u>
Financial assets at amortised cost	<u>£-</u>	<u>£-</u>
Financial liabilities at amortised cost	<u>£-</u>	<u>£-</u>

Financial assets measured at fair value comprise investments.

