

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 21474.

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:

Philip Houghton
 Mary Eaves
 Mona Leigh
 Sandra Gledhill
 Anne-Marie Wood

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

REGISTERED OFFICE:

The Hermitage
 Wimblesbury
 SO23 9JW

BANKERS:

HSBC Bank plc
 2 Love Lane
 Farnham
 Middlesex
 TW14 9JG

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS:

Haysmacintyre
 Chartered Accountants
 20 Abchurch Lane
 London
 EC4N 3AG

INVESTMENT ADVISERS:

Edwards Investment Management Ltd
 8 Bonhill Street
 London
 EC2A 4PU

INVESTMENT POWERS:

The trustees have no limitations on the Trustees' powers of investment.

Haysmacintyre LLP
 Chartered Accountants
 Registered Auditors

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2021

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:	<p>The trustees who served during the year were and up to the time these accounts were signed:-</p> <p>Philippa Garety Mary Grasar Philip Hayllar Mary Leavy Moiria Leigh Sarah O'Grady Antony MacRow Wood</p>
REGISTERED OFFICE:	<p>The Hermitage Cheriton Road Winchester SO22 5HW</p>
BANKERS:	<p>HSBC Bank Plc 2 Love Lane Pinner Middlesex HA5 3EG</p>
INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS:	<p>Haysmacintyre Chartered Accountants 26 Red Lion Square London WC1R 4AG</p>
INVESTMENT ADVISERS:	<p>Epworth Investment Management Ltd. 9 Bonhill Street London EC2A 4PE</p>
INVESTMENT POWERS:	The Trust Deed places no limitations on the Trustees' powers of investment

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

The trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021. 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. As pointed out last year 2021 continued to prove 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. During the course of the year the trustees met on three occasions – twice virtually and once face to face. 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 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.

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

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).

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

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:

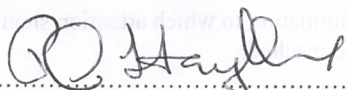
- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed 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: 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
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
Haysmacintyre LLP
10 Queen Street Place
London
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Date: **11 August 2022**

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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		235,596	182,323
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
- Support of the Charity's Ministers		262,680	251,876
- Books and publications		-	116
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	2	262,680	251,992
NET INCOME (EXPENDITURE) BEFORE GAINS/(LOSSES) ON INVESTMENTS		(27,084)	(69,669)
Unrealised (losses) gains on investments assets	5	545,171	(229,245)
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		518,087	(298,914)
FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD		6,546,744	6,845,658
FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		£7,064,831	£6,546,744

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.

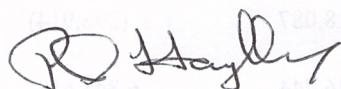
The accompanying notes form part of these accounts.

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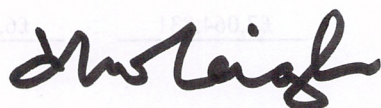
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	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.

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

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.

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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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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	4,374,060	3,821,889
	Historical cost at 31 December 2020	3,821,889	2,959,000
6	DEBTORS	2021	2020
		£	£
	Prepayments	1502	5,566
	Other debtors	-	4,030
		1,502	9,596
7	CREDITORS	2021	2020
		£	£
	Creditors	12,552	5,833
	Accrued expenditure	18,600	8,600
		31,152	14,433
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
	2,261,478	(84805)	2,176,673

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 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.