

Company Registration No. 739676 (England and Wales)

Charity Registration No. 260942 (England and Wales)

BRITISH POULTRY SCIENCE LIMITED

(COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

DIRECTORS' REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

Henderson Black & Co

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BRITISH POULTRY SCIENCE LIMITED (COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

DIRECTORS' REPORT (INCORPORATING THE TRUSTEES REPORT) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

The directors, also known as trustees, present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Companies Act 2006, The Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019) - Charities SORP (FRS102), and The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

Objectives and Activities for the Public Benefit

The principal objective and activity of the company continues to be the promotion of poultry science by disseminating research findings through the publication of a journal and the award of educational grants to individuals. The trustees confirm they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the aims and objectives and in planning future activities and setting the grant making policy for the year.

Achievements and Performance

The company has continued to promote poultry science by publishing research findings in its journal and by awarding travel grants to individuals and small project grants to other educational establishments. Details of subscriptions for the year are shown in note 3 to the accounts. Details of awards made are shown in note 5 to the accounts.

Financial Review

The Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2024 shows net income before gains or losses on investments of £33,200 (2023 net income before gains or losses on investments £13,113). The Statement of Financial Activities shows a net movement in funds of £37,699 (2023 net movement in funds of £8,960). Fixed asset investments are shown in the balance sheet at fair value as detailed in note 9. The directors consider the financial position of the company to be satisfactory.

Reserves Policy

The directors consider the reserve held should be maintained at around 3 to 5 times the amount of annual income. The amount of reserves held is £500,777 (2023 - £463,078) as detailed in the financial statements. Reserves are maintained to secure the future financial viability of the charity. All reserves are unrestricted.

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Investment Policy

The directors have considered their policy for investing funds and have concluded that the current investments, designed for the charity sector, continue to meet requirements, providing satisfactory levels of income and long term capital growth.

Risk Review

The directors have reviewed the major risks to which the company is exposed and the systems in place to mitigate these risks. Given the nature and aims of the company, it has concluded that there are no significant external funding risks at present. Authorisation and review procedures are in place to minimise internal risks and the council has concluded that these continue to operate satisfactorily.

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(COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)****DIRECTORS' REPORT (INCORPORATING THE TRUSTEES REPORT) (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024****Structure, Governance and Management****Governing Document**

British Poultry Science Limited is a private company limited by guarantee, not having a share capital and is governed by memorandum and articles of association and company law. It is registered as a charity with the Charity Commission, registration number 260942.

Organisational Structure

British Poultry Science Limited is controlled by the Board of Directors as elected by the members of the company. The Directors are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law. The Joint Editors and Scientific Copy Editor are not eligible to serve as Directors and matters such as their honoraria are decided by the Board of Directors. Directors remuneration is detailed in note 6. Administration of the charitable aspects of the company is controlled by the Council of Management, which consists of the Directors, Secretary plus the Joint Editors. Policy is set by these two bodies. Implementation of policy is then delegated to the business committee, which consists of some Directors, the Secretary and the Joint Editors.

Appointment of Directors

Directors are normally appointed at the AGM each year.

Reference and administrative details

<i>Company Registration Number:</i>	739676 (England and Wales)
<i>Charity Registration Number:</i>	260942 (England and Wales)
<i>Registered Office:</i>	British Poultry Science Limited International House 61 Mosley Street Manchester M2 3HZ
<i>Business Address:</i>	Roslin Institute University of Edinburgh Easter Bush, Midlothian EH25 9RG
<i>Independent Examiner:</i>	Matthew Struthers BA CA Henderson Black & Co 22 Crossgate Cupar Fife KY15 5HW
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

Directors

The following directors have held office since 1 January 2024:

*M M Bain
M R Bedford
J S Bentley
W Bessei
E Burton
A Butterworth
I C Dunn
D Guemene
P Konieczka
N Morgan
G M Pesti
V Pirgozliev
A B M Raj
J Roberts
B Rodenburg
V Sandilands
N A M Sleenckx
N H C Sparks
B Svihus
J Taylor-Pickard
R Zhao*

Company Secretary:

G A Mieras

Joint Editors:

S P Rose
O Matika

Scientific Copy Editor:

L Waldron

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DIRECTORS' REPORT (INCORPORATING THE TRUSTEES REPORT) (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

Statement of Trustees Responsibilities

The trustees (who are directors of British Poultry Science Limited for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the trustees' annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the trustees have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the income and expenditure of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

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

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charitable company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. 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.

Small company exemption

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to small companies within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

By order of the board on 16 June 2025.


J Taylor - Pickard (Chairman)
Director


G A Mieras
Secretary

BRITISH POULTRY SCIENCE LIMITED (COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF BRITISH POULTRY SCIENCE LIMITED

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2024 which are set out on pages 6 to 13.

Respective responsibilities of the trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

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

This report is made to the trustees in accordance with the terms of my engagement. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the trustees for my work or for this report.

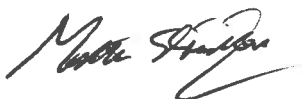
Basis of independent examiner's report

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

- 1 Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charitieshave not been met; or
- 2 To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Matthew Struthers, BA CA
Partner
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Chartered Accountants

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES AND INCOME AND
EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted and Total funds 2024 £	Unrestricted and Total funds 2023
Income from:			
Charitable activities			
Royalties and commission	3	79,222	71,557
Contributions towards costs		7,000	4,010
Investment income	4		
Dividends received		10,824	10,283
Bank interest received		6,123	3,028
Total income	13	103,169	88,878
Expenditure on:			
Charitable activities			
Grants and donations	5	4,700	11,596
Other charitable expenditure		65,269	64,169
Total expenditure	13	69,969	75,765
Net income before gains and losses on investments		33,200	13,113
Net (loss)/gain on investments		4,499	(4,153)
Net income and net movement in funds		37,699	8,960
Reconciliation of funds:			
Total funds brought forward		463,078	454,118
Total funds carried forward		500,777	463,078

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

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

**BRITISH POULTRY SCIENCE LIMITED
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**BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024**

	Notes	2024 £	£	2023
Fixed assets				
Tangible assets	7		5	5
Investments	8		177,080	172,581
			<u>177,085</u>	<u>172,586</u>
Current assets				
Debtors	9	50,578	48,445	
Cash at bank and in hand		274,804	248,237	
		<u>325,382</u>	<u>296,682</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	(1,690)	(6,190)	
Net current assets			<u>323,692</u>	<u>290,492</u>
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>500,777</u>	<u>463,078</u>
Reserves				
Fair value reserve	11	85,960	81,461	
General fund		414,817	381,617	
Members' funds			<u>500,777</u>	<u>463,078</u>

For the financial year ended 31 December 2024 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476;
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on 16 June 2025 and are signed on its behalf by:

I C Dunn
Director

J Taylor-Pickard
Director

Company Registration No. 739676

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

1 Accounting policies

Company information

British Poultry Science Ltd is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is International House, 61 Mosley Street, Manchester, M2 3HZ. The business address is Roslin Institute, Midlothian, EH25 9RG.

1.1 Accounting convention

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) (effective 1 January 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006 as applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

British Poultry Science Limited constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The directors consider that there are no material uncertainties that would lead them to question the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, the functional currency of the company, and the amounts are rounded to the nearest £.

1.2 Funds

Unrestricted funds are available to use for any purpose in the furtherance of the charitable activities. Designated funds are unrestricted funds which the trustees have decided, at their discretion, to set aside for a specific purpose. Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donor.

All funds held by the charity are unrestricted.

1.3 Income recognition

Income is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable the income will be received and the amount of income can be reliably measured.

1.4 Expenditure

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. Grants payable are payments made to third parties in the furtherance of the charitable objectives. Expenditure includes irrecoverable VAT as the charity is no longer registered for VAT.

1.5 Support costs

Support costs have not been separately identified as the trustees consider there is only one charitable activity.

1.6 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Provision is made for depreciation on all tangible assets, other than freehold land, at rates calculated to write off the cost or valuation, less estimated residual value, of each asset over its expected useful life.

Fixtures, fittings & equipment

33% Straight line method

1.7 Financial instruments

The company only has financial assets and liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

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

1 Accounting policies

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1.8 Investments

Investments are a form of basic financial instrument and are initially recognised at their transaction value and subsequently measured at their fair value as at the balance sheet date using the closing quoted market price.

All gains and losses are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities as they arise. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between sales proceeds and their opening carrying value or their purchase value if acquired during 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.

2 Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of the company's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

In preparing these financial statements the trustees have made the following judgement:

Trustees estimate the requirement for accruals using post year end information. This identifies costs that are expected to be incurred for third party services relating to the accounting year but that are not invoiced until after the year end.

3 Royalties and commission

Gross subscription income for the year, being receipts from the sale of journals, accounted for by Taylor and Francis Limited amounted to £176,050 (2023 - £159,016). British Poultry Science Limited receives royalties amounting to 45% (2023 - 45%) of this total.

4 Grants and donations

During the year travel grants totalling £3,500 were made to 4 individuals (2023 - £6,096 to 6 individuals). No small project grants were awarded during the year (2023 - £4,500 to 1 institution). A charitable donation of £1,000 was paid to the Gordon Memorial Trust during the year (2023 - £1,000). Charitable donations of £200 were made in memoriam of Dr G.K. Baggott and in memoriam of Dr J. Kjaer (2023 - £nil).

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

5 Trustees expenses, remuneration and related party transactions	2024	2023
	£	£
Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging:		
Joint editors honoraria, fees, travel and computer software expenses	18,143	17,946
Company Secretary/Administrator fees and expenses (post, stationery and travel)	24,305	23,165
Independent examiner's fee	1,968	1,878

The company had no employees during the year.
No remuneration was paid to trustees.
No expenses were paid to trustees
Honoraria were paid as detailed above.

7 Taxation

The company is a registered charity and, as such, is exempt from taxation on any surplus.

7 Tangible fixed assets	Fixtures, fittings and equipment 2024 £	Fixtures, fittings and equipment 2023 £
Cost or valuation		
At 1 January 2024	2,162	2,162
Disposals	-	-
At 31 December 2024	2,162	2,162
Depreciation		
At 1 January 2024	2,157	2,157
On disposals	-	-
At 31 December 2024	2,157	2,157
Net book value		
At 31 December 2024	5	5
At 31 December 2023	5	5

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
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8 Fixed asset investments

	2024	2023
	£	£
Other investments other than loans	177,080	172,581

All investments are carried at their fair value. The basis of fair value for quoted investments is equivalent to the market value, using the quoted price. Purchases are recognised at the date of trade at their transaction value, that is cost.

The company's investments at 31 December 2024 consisted of 12,026 (2023 - 12,026) M & G Charifund income units. The original cost of these units was £91,120 (2023 - £91,120).

The significance of the investments to the ongoing financial sustainability of the charitable company is considered in the financial review and investment policy sections of the trustees' annual report

Movements in listed investments

	2024	2023
	£	£
Market value		
At 1 January 2024	172,581	176,734
Net gain /(loss) on investments	4,499	(4,153)
At 31 December 2024	177,080	172,581
Investments at fair value		
At 31 December 2024	177,080	172,581

9 Debtors

	2024	2023
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Royalties and commission	49,222	47,556
Other debtors	1,356	889
	50,578	48,445

10 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Trade creditors	540	5,040
Other creditors	1,150	1,150
	1,690	6,190

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
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11 Fair value reserve

	2024 £	2023 £
At the beginning of the year	81,461	85,614
Revaluation surplus arising in the year	4,499	(4,153)
At the end of the year	<u>85,960</u>	<u>81,461</u>

12 Detailed income and expenditure account

	2024 £	2023
Income		
Royalties and commission	79,222	71,557
Conference contribution	2,000	2,010
Travel contribution	3,000	-
Abstracts contribution	2,000	2,000
Investment income	10,824	10,283
Bank interest	6,123	3,028
Total income	<u>103,169</u>	<u>88,878</u>
Expenditure		
Grants and donations	4,700	11,596
Other charitable expenditure:		
Administrator costs	18,275	17,425
Editors' honoraria, fees and scientific copy costs	18,143	16,690
Other honoraria	11,080	9,420
Journal supplement and open access fee	7,483	10,483
Website costs	509	509
Bank charges	326	280
Post, stationery and sundry expenses	133	75
Travel and subsistence costs	-	1,256
Secretarial and administration fee	6,030	5,740
Consultancy	720	-
Independent examination fee	1,968	1,878
Other costs	602	413
	<u>65,269</u>	<u>64,169</u>
Total expenditure	<u>69,969</u>	<u>75,765</u>
Surplus	<u><u>33,200</u></u>	<u><u>13,113</u></u>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
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13 Members' liability

The company is limited by guarantee, not having a share capital and consequently the liability of members is limited, subject to an undertaking by each member to contribute to the net assets or liabilities of the company on winding up such amounts as may be required not exceeding £1.

14 Control

The company is controlled by the members.