

BRITISH SOCIETY FOR POPULATION STUDIES

England & Wales · Charity number 266161

Details

Other names B S P S

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1973-09-14

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

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Activities

Objects: FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC TO FURTHER THE SCIENTIFIC STUDY OF BIOLOGICAL, ECONOMIC, HISTORICAL, MEDICAL, SOCIAL AND OTHER PROBLEMS CONNECTED WITH HUMAN POPULATIONS AND TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE PUBLIC AWARENESS OF THESE PROBLEMS.

Activities: To further the scientific study of biological, economic, historical, medical, social and other problems associated with human populations & to contribute to public awareness of these issues. Organises day meetings, workshops & an annual conference.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** Education/training
- **Who:** Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£92,300	£72,779	-	-
2023-12-31	£102,134	£102,692	-	-
2022-12-31	£67,190	£59,498	-	-
2021-12-31	£17,421	£15,433	-	-
2020-12-31	£16,177	£11,816	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Stephen William Smallwood	Chair	2023-09-12
Alyce Raybould		2025-09-03
Dr Lee Emma Palmer Williamson		2022-10-26
Dr Melanie Dawn Channon		2021-09-14
Dr Nitzan Peri-Rotem		2022-10-26
Dr Sarah Walters		2021-09-14
Francesca Fiori		2023-09-12
Kathrin Morosow		2025-09-03
Laura Sochas		2023-09-12
Oliver Duke-Williams		2025-09-03
Oliver Lance Barrett Dormon		2025-09-03
Professor Eric Schneider		2022-10-26
Selin Koksall		2025-09-03
Stuart Arthur Gietel-Basten		2025-09-03

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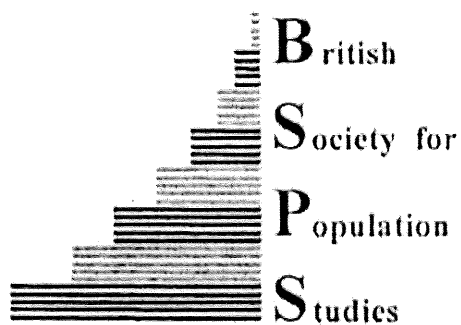
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ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 DECEMBER 2024

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BRITISH SOCIETY FOR POPULATION STUDIES**TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

We present our report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Report for 2024**1. Objectives**

The British Society for Population Studies is a society of persons who have demonstrated by their writings or otherwise a scientific interest in the study of human populations. The Society's objectives are to benefit the public by furthering the scientific study of biological, economic, historical, medical, social and other problems connected with human populations, and to contribute to public awareness of these problems. BSPS members work in academia, local and central government, and industry and include postgraduate students of demography and population studies.

Benefits of membership include first-call invitations to BSPS and other meetings, a Newsletter and circulations of time-dated material, a reduced registration fee to the annual BSPS Conference (when held physically), and a reduced-rate personal subscription to the Journal, *Population Studies*. Members are invited to participate in BSPS consultations and networks with academic and government research. The Society maintains a website at <http://www.bspb.org.uk/bbps>. It is anticipated that BSPS, in pursuit of its objectives and aims, will continue its programme of occasional day meetings and annual conferences and continue to provide travel and meeting grants to enable members to attend its events as well as relevant meetings organized by others.

2. Grant making policy

The Society aims to use surplus income from the previous year to fund meetings, travel grants to members, bursaries to the annual conference for student members, and to fund the annual Low- and Middle-Income countries initiative. Surplus income derives principally from the previous year's annual conference, where available.

3. Investment, reserves and risk management policy

The Society maintains reserves to meet any future deficits on its activities, any outstanding commitments should the Society be wound up, the liability ensuing if the usual annual conference were to be cancelled at short notice, and the likely costs of the Secretariat should the PIC withdraw its support. Therefore, the trustees consider that an appropriate level of reserves should cover appropriate charitable expenditure for one year.

Free reserves stand at £138,854 at 31 December 2024, although it should be noted that £19,144 (£18,721 at 31 December 2023), is held in COIF shares, whose value can be expected to fluctuate (original cost £10,000). It is anticipated that the excess over the required amount will be expended in future years, in furtherance of the Society's charitable activities.

A substantial part of the Society's reserves, £59,183 (£55,787 at 31 December 2023), are held in a COIF deposit account, which is not protected by any financial compensation scheme. However, the trustees believe it unlikely that the UK Government would let charities suffer the consequences of the failure of a Charity Commission-approved deposit scheme such as COIF. It has also been noted that common deposit funds spread their investments between a number of banks, so it is unlikely that all deposits would be lost in the event of a single bank failure. The trustees closely monitor both the COIF shares and the COIF deposit account to protect the finances of the Society.

4. Review of financial transactions

The financial statements summarise the Society's transactions during 2024. Staff of the Population Investigation Committee (PIC) carried out the general administrative work, accounting and bookkeeping functions, maintenance of the website, and administration of the conference at cost. With the unrealized

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gain on the COIF shareholding of £423 taken into account, the amount held in the General Fund increased by £19,944 in the year, after the surplus on the 2024 Conference Account was transferred (Note 16). Council Expenses amounted to £14, consisting of reimbursement for the prize in the BSPS Pub Quiz. Expenditure on day meetings was modest, with support given for one meeting in June. Membership Subscriptions income was stable, with the increase in headline price offset by a reduced rate for 2024 designed to incentivize adoption of direct debit payments. There was a surplus of £14,123 on the Conference and a surplus of £5,428 in general income and expenditure. The Balance of the General Fund at the end of 2024 was £138,854 (See Note 16).

5. Funds

- a) The Society's funds derive from members' subscriptions, from investment income, from the PIC grant to BSPS and from any surpluses on the annual conference. Apart from grants for specific purposes, all funds are unrestricted. Conferences are intended to be self-financing, although Council may choose to support e.g. student bursaries at a deficit supported by the General Fund. Similarly, when any surplus remains, this is added to the General Fund.
- b) Membership of the Society: For 2024 Council took the decision to increase membership rates from £25 to £30 for full membership, £7.50 to £15 for reduced memberships, and to cease to offer a separate 'country' membership owing to the increasing popularity of online or hybrid events. This followed many years of holding membership fees at the same level. Membership subscription rates are per calendar year, as follows:

• Full membership	£30.00
• Student members	£15.00
• Members in LMICs	£15.00
• Retired members	£15.00

At 31 December 2024 there were 382 members, compared with 367 at the end of 2023.

6. Activities during the year

- a) Meetings. There was one BSPS-supported day meeting in the year:
- b) Annual Conference. The 2024 Annual Conference was held at the University of Bath from 9-11 September. Over 260 attended the event, and a total of 170 presentations were given across 50 sessions. Heidi Colleran of the Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology spoke on *Deconstructing natural fertility*, while Ian Diamond (National Statistician) and Alice Reid (University of Cambridge) continued the popular *in conversation* format. Alina Pelikh (University College London) gave the early-career plenary session on *Changing life course trajectories of young people in England and Wales during the transition to adulthood*. There was also a postgraduate and early career session on how to get work published, with editors of the PIC journal *Population Studies*.
- c) BSPS Prize. An annual prize is awarded for the best submitted Master's dissertation from the previous year on a demographic topic, for which two or three independent judges are selected by Council. The prize was awarded to Lucy Goodfellow for the dissertation *Using mathematical modelling to predict COVID-19 clinical case numbers by socio-economic status in England*. There was a cash prize of £300.
- d) Early career award. The winner of the 2024 Early Career Award was Dr Alina Pelikh of University College London. Dr Pelikh gave the early-career plenary session on *Changing life course trajectories of young people in England and Wales during the transition to adulthood*.

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7. Council members and officers

In 2024 Council membership remained as in 2023 as no members were up for election.

All new Trustees receive an induction pack, containing the Charity Commission booklet on the responsibilities of Trustees (<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-essential-trustee-what-you-need-to-know-cc3>), Minutes of the previous year's Council meetings, and the Minutes of the AGM. Further help can be offered to any Trustee who requires it.

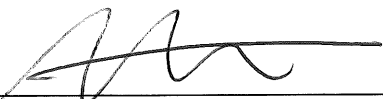
8. Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

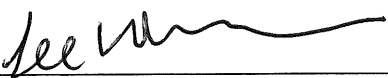
Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing those financial statements, giving a true and fair view, the trustees should follow best practice and:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments 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;
- prepare financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue to operate.

Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and which enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with relevant legislation and the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:


Trustee


Trustee

Date: 2 SEP 2025

N SHELTON
L WILLIAMSON

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

1. Full name of charity: British Society for Population Studies (BSPS)
2. Charity Registration Number: 266161
3. Address: at the London School of Economics and Political Science

POR.2.01
Houghton Street
London
WC2A 2AE
4. The BSPS is governed by the Constitution (Appendix 2), registered by the Charity Commission on 26 July 1973 and as subsequently amended in 1991, 2001 and 2014.
5. A list of the Trustees is given in Appendix 1.
6. Independent Examiner:

Knox Cropper LLP
65 Leadenhall Street
London
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7. Bankers:

NatWest Bank PLC
Fleet Street (C) Branch
PO Box 281
156 Fleet Street
London
EC4A 2DX

Santander PLC
Bootle
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L30 4GB
8. The income of the Society is used solely to further the aims as laid down by the Constitution.
9. Staff of the Society:
The Population Investigation Committee (PIC) provides the Secretariat for the BSPS at cost, and an allowance of £12,000 was again made by the PIC to the BSPS in 2023 to set against the cost of running the Secretariat. The PIC looks after all administrative and accounting functions and drafts the Society's final accounts, in addition to maintaining the Society's website and carrying out the organizational work for the annual conference.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF**BRITISH SOCIETY FOR POPULATION STUDIES**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the British Society for Population Studies for the year ended 31 December 2024. This report is made to the Trustees, as a body, in accordance with the terms of my engagement. My work has been undertaken so that I might carry out an Independent Examination of the financial statements in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charity and the Charity's Trustees as a body for my work or for this report.

Responsibilities and basis for 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 Charity 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.

65 Leadenhall Street
London EC3A 2AD

Date: 29/9/2025



Greg Stevenson, F.C.A.
Knox Cropper LLP
Chartered Accountants

BRITISH SOCIETY FOR POPULATION STUDIES
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Notes	2024		2023		Total Funds
		Un-restricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Un-restricted Funds	Restricted Funds	
		£	£	£	£	£
INCOME FROM						
Grants, Donations and Subscriptions	3	19,120	1,500	18,645	1,500	20,145
Charitable Activities	4	68,291	-	79,183	-	79,183
Investment Income	5	3,389	-	2,806	-	2,806
Total Income		90,800	1,500	100,634	1,500	102,134
EXPENDITURE ON						
Raising Funds	6	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable Activities	7	71,279	1,500	101,192	1,500	102,692
Total Expenditure		71,279	1,500	101,192	1,500	102,692
		19,521	-	(558)	-	(558)
Net Gains on Investments	10	423	-	1,600	-	1,600
Net Income and Net Movement in Funds		19,944		1,042		1,042
Total Funds Brought Forward		118,910	-	117,868	-	117,868
Transfer Between Funds		-	-	-	-	-
Total Funds Carried Forward		£138,854	£ -	£118,910	£ -	£118,910

None of the Charity's activities was acquired or discontinued during the above two financial years. Unrestricted and Restricted Funds comprise both General and Conference Income and Expenditure which are analysed further in Note 16 to the Accounts.

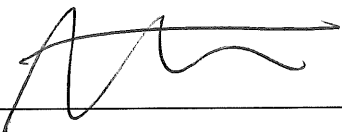
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BALANCE SHEET

AT 31 DECEMBER 2024


	Notes	2024		2023	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Investments	10		19,144		18,721
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	11	217		217	
Cash at Bank and in Hand		130,433		107,769	
		<u>130,650</u>		<u>107,986</u>	
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	12	<u>(10,940)</u>		<u>(7,797)</u>	
Net Current Assets			119,710		100,189
TOTAL NET ASSETS			<u>£138,854</u>		<u>£118,910</u>
FUNDS					
Restricted Funds	14		-		-
Unrestricted - General Fund			138,854		118,910
TOTAL FUNDS			<u>£138,854</u>		<u>£118,910</u>

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 2 SEP.....2025 and signed on its behalf by:



 Trustee

N. SHELTON



 Trustee

L. WILLIAMSON

BRITISH SOCIETY FOR POPULATION STUDIES

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

1. STATUS

British Society for Population Studies is an unincorporated charity, registered with the Charity Commission with registered number 266161. The Charity's registered address is BSPS Secretariat, LSE POR.2.01, Houghton Street, London, WC2A 2AE. A description of the Charity's operations and principal activities can be found in the Report of the Trustees.

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Basis of Accounting

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to these accounts. They have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) Second Edition issued in October 2019 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102 March 2018) and the Charities Act 2011. The Charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The accounts have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure involved following Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

The Trustees consider that there are no uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

The functional and presentational currency of the Charity is the £ Sterling.

(b) Income

Income is recognised in the year once the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

Donations, Subscriptions and Grants are recognised when the Charity receives the income. Investment Income is recognised on the date on which the dividend is payable or the interest arises.

Income is deferred only when the Charity has to fulfil conditions before becoming entitled to it or the donor has specified that the income has to be spent in a future period.

(c) Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the Charity to that expenditure, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis.

- **Costs of Raising Funds**
The cost of raising funds consists of investment management fees.
- **Charitable Activities**
Costs of Charitable Activities include Conference Costs, grants to individuals and direct costs associated with administration as well as an allocation of support costs.

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2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

- **Support Costs**
Support costs have been allocated between activities on the basis of staff time and include Governance costs, which comprises all costs involving the public accountability of the Charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

(d) **Fund Accounting**

(i) *Unrestricted Funds:*

The unrestricted funds may be used by the Charity in furtherance of its charitable objectives at the discretion of the Trustees. The Council may, at their discretion, set aside unrestricted funds for specific future purposes. These are shown as designated funds within unrestricted funds. Where such funds are no longer required for the intended purposes, they are released to general funds.

(ii) *Restricted Funds:*

Where income is received for purposes specified by the donor or the terms of appeal under which it was raised, that income is shown as restricted in the statement of financial activities. Expenditure for the specified purposes is shown as restricted fund expenditure. Any unexpended balance at the balance sheet date is carried forward as a restricted income fund.

(e) **Value Added Tax**

The Charity is not registered for VAT and accordingly where applicable, all expenditure incurred is inclusive of VAT.

(f) **Investments**

The Charity's 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. The statement of financial activities includes the net gains and losses arising on the revaluations and disposals throughout the year.

Realised gains and losses on investments are arrived at by comparing the net sale proceeds with the market value at the end of the previous financial year. Unrealised gains and losses represent the difference between the market value of investments still held at the end of the financial year with their value at the beginning of the year or with their cost if purchased subsequently.

(g) **Debtors**

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

(h) **Cash at Bank**

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

(i) **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 after allowing for any trade discounts due.

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3. GRANTS, DONATION AND SUBSCRIPTIONS

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	
			2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
CONFERENCE				
Grants – Adelphi Genetics	-	1,500	1,500	1,500
– PIC	7,500	-	7,500	7,500
	<u>7,500</u>	<u>1,500</u>	<u>9,000</u>	<u>9,000</u>
OTHER				
Grants – PIC	4,500	-	4,500	4,500
– Member Subscriptions	7,120	-	7,120	6,645
	<u>11,620</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,620</u>	<u>11,145</u>
TOTAL	<u>£19,120</u>	<u>£1,500</u>	<u>£20,620</u>	<u>£20,145</u>
2023	<u>£18,645</u>	<u>£1,500</u>	<u>£20,145</u>	

4. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	
			2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
CONFERENCE				
Conference Registration and Accommodation	£68,291	£ -	£68,291	£79,183
2023	<u>£79,183</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£79,183</u>	

5. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2024	2023
	£	£
Distributions from Investments	521	514
Interest	2,868	2,292
	<u>£3,389</u>	<u>£2,806</u>

6. COSTS OF RAISING FUNDS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Investment Managers Fees	-	-
	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ -</u>

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7. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	
			2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
CONFERENCE				
Secretariat	7,500	-	7,500	7,500
Conference Costs	45,744	1,500	47,244	73,476
Conference Bursaries	7,150	-	7,150	7,500
Conference Plenary Speakers	781	-	781	-
Conference Poster Prize	100	-	100	100
	<u>61,275</u>	<u>1,500</u>	<u>62,775</u>	<u>88,576</u>
OTHER				
Secretarial	4,500	-	4,500	4,500
Travel Grants	740	-	740	750
BSPS Prize	300	-	300	300
ACSS Membership	300	-	300	300
LMIC Initiative	2,028	-	2,028	1,741
Day Meetings	500	-	500	3,945
Miscellaneous Costs	-	-	-	838
Support Costs (Note 6)	1,636	-	1,636	1,742
	<u>10,004</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,004</u>	<u>14,116</u>
	<u>£71,279</u>	<u>£1,500</u>	<u>£72,779</u>	<u>£102,692</u>
2023	<u>£101,192</u>	<u>£1,500</u>	<u>£102,692</u>	

8. SUPPORT COSTS

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	
			2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Printing Postage & Stationery	72	-	72	245
Telephone	136	-	136	117
Independent Examination	1,428	-	1,428	1,380
	<u>1,636</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£1,636</u>	<u>£1,742</u>
2023	<u>£1,742</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£1,742</u>	

9. SALARIES

The Society covers the costs involved in administering the conference and other activities.

In 2024 total salary costs were as follows:

	£
General salaries, including NI costs	4,500
Conference salaries, including NI costs	7,500

Against which a grant of £12,000 was made by the PIC to the BSPS.

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10. INVESTMENTS

	2024	2023
	£	£
(a) Quoted Investments at Market Value	<u>19,144</u>	<u>18,721</u>
(b) Movement in Investments		
Market value as at 1 January 2024	18,721	17,121
Additions	-	-
Disposals	-	-
Investment Gains/(Losses)	<u>423</u>	<u>1,600</u>
Market value at 31 December 2024	<u>19,144</u>	<u>£18,721</u>

The carrying amount of financial assets measured at fair value through income and expenditure within Investments is £19,144 (2023: £18,721).

11. DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Prepayments and Other Debtors	<u>217</u>	<u>217</u>
	<u>£217</u>	<u>£217</u>

12. CREDITORS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Other Creditors	9,512	6,417
Accruals	<u>1,428</u>	<u>1,380</u>
	<u>£10,940</u>	<u>£7,797</u>

13. NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2024 Total
	£	£	£
Fixed Asset Investments	19,144	-	19,144
Current Assets	130,650	-	130,650
Current Liabilities	<u>(10,940)</u>	-	<u>(10,940)</u>
	<u>£138,854</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>£138,854</u>
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2023 Total
	£	£	£
Fixed Asset Investments	18,721	-	18,721
Current Assets	107,986	-	107,986
Current Liabilities	<u>(7,797)</u>	-	<u>(7,797)</u>
	<u>£118,910</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£118,910</u>

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14. RESTRICTED FUNDS

	Conference Grant Fund
	£
<u>2024</u>	
Balance B/F	-
Income	1,500
Expenditure	<u>(1,500)</u>
Balance C/F	<u>£ -</u>
<u>2023</u>	£
Balance B/F	-
Income	1,500
Expenditure	<u>(1,500)</u>
Balance C/F	<u>£ -</u>

The Society receives Grants from Adelphi Genetics in respect of the Annual Conference.

15. RELATED PARTIES

Members of the Council who are Trustees do not receive any remuneration. Expenses refunded to council members £14. (2023: £262).

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16. ANALYSIS OF GENERAL AND CONFERENCE INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

<u>2024</u>	Total Per SOFA	General	Conference
	£	£	£
Income From			
Grants, Donations & Subscriptions	20,620	11,620	9,000
Charitable Activities	68,291	-	68,291
Investment Income	3,389	3,389	-
TOTAL INCOME	<u>92,300</u>	<u>15,009</u>	<u>77,291</u>
Expenditure on			
Raising Funds	-	-	-
Charitable Expenditure	72,779	10,004	62,775
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	<u>72,779</u>	<u>10,004</u>	<u>62,775</u>
	19,521	5,005	14,516
Net Gains/(Losses) on Investments	423	423	-
Net Income/(Expenditure) and Net Movement in Funds	<u>19,944</u>	<u>5,428</u>	<u>14,516</u>
TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD	118,910	119,303	(393)
TRANSFER BETWEEN FUNDS	-	14,123	(14,123)
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>£138,854</u>	<u>£138,854</u>	<u>£ -</u>

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16. ANALYSIS OF GENERAL AND CONFERENCE INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

<u>2023</u>	Total Per SOFA £	General £	Conference £
Income From			
Grants, Donations & Subscriptions	20,145	11,145	9,000
Charitable Activities	79,183	-	79,183
Investment Income	2,806	2,806	-
TOTAL INCOME	<u>102,134</u>	<u>13,951</u>	<u>88,183</u>
Expenditure on			
Raising Funds	-	-	-
Charitable Expenditure	102,692	14,116	88,576
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	<u>102,692</u> (558)	<u>14,116</u> (165)	<u>88,576</u> (393)
Net Gains/(Losses) on Investments	1,600	1,600	-
Net Income/(Expenditure) and Net Movement in Funds	<u>1,042</u>	<u>1,435</u>	<u>(393)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD	117,868	114,719	3,149
TRANSFER BETWEEN FUNDS	-	3,149	(3,149)
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u><u>£118,910</u></u>	<u><u>£119,303</u></u>	<u><u>£(393)</u></u>

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APPENDIX 1

COUNCIL OFFICERS AND MEMBERS

Trustees:

Professor Nicola Shelton n.shelton@ucl.ac.uk	President September 2023 – September 2025
Steve Smallwood steve.smallwood@ons.gov.uk	Vice-President September 2023 – September 2025
Dr Lee Williamson lee.williamson@ed.ac.uk	Honorary Treasurer October 2022 – September 2026
Dr Melanie Channon mde51@bath.ac.uk	Honorary Secretary September 2021 – September 2025
Dr Francesca Fiori francesca.fiori@strath.ac.uk	September 2023 – September 2027
Dr Alice Goisis a.goisis@ucl.ac.uk	September 2021 – September 2025
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Philip Humby philip.humby@ons.gov.uk	September 2021 – September 2025
Professor Shireen Kanji s.kanji@brunel.ac.uk	September 2021 – September 2025
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Dr Nitzan Peri-Rotem n.peri-rottem@exeter.ac.uk	October 2022 – AGM 2026
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Dr Laura Sochas laura.sochas@ed.ac.uk	September 2023 – September 2027
Dr Sarah Walters sarah.walters@lshtrn.ac.uk	September 2021 – September 2025

Non-trustees:

Parth Pandya, Izzi Carter	Postgraduate representatives
BSPS Secretariat (Helen Spriggs) pic@lse.ac.uk Tel: +44(0)20 7955 7666	Address: POR.2.01, London School of Economics, London, WC2A 2AE

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APPENDIX 2

CONSTITUTION FOR THE BRITISH SOCIETY FOR POPULATION STUDIES

1. The British Society for Population Studies is a society of persons, who have demonstrated by their writings or otherwise a scientific interest in the study of human populations. The Society's object shall be for the benefit of the public to further the scientific study of biological, economic, historical, medical, social and other problems connected with human populations and to contribute to the public awareness of these problems.
2. In furtherance of the foregoing object the Society shall:
 - (i) provide facilities for studies and research into subjects connected with human populations and for the exchange and dissemination of information concerning such research;
 - (ii) arrange public meetings, lectures, conferences and seminars for the consideration and discussion of problems relating to human populations;
 - (iii) provide a forum for the discussion of issues connected with human population and act as a vehicle for the interchange of education ideas.
3. The income of the Society whencesoever derived shall be applied solely for the promotion of the objects set forth in the articles of this constitution.
4. The Society shall be managed by a Council, which may form committees to assist it, and the Council shall have power to make rules for the guidance of such committees. Membership of committees shall not be restricted to members of the Council.
5. The Council shall consist of a President, a Vice President, a Secretary, a Treasurer and ten elected members. They shall be elected in accordance with the provisions of Article 11 below. The President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer shall serve as such for two years, and the President and Vice President shall not be immediately re-eligible for the same office. Members of the Council shall serve for four years, and one-half of the members shall retire every two years. No ordinary members of Council shall serve as such for a consecutive period exceeding four years in all. No person shall serve consecutively on Council, whether in one or several capacities, for a period exceeding eight years.

(The Constitution was amended in 1991 to allow up to ten elected members to serve on Council. It was amended again in 2014 to limit the terms of office on the Hon. Treasurer and Hon. Secretary).

6. The founder members of the Society shall be the members of the Population Studies Group at the time of the foundation of the Society. Other persons may be admitted to membership of the Society by the Council, provided that they can satisfy the Council of their scientific interest in population problems.
7. Every member of the Society shall pay an annual subscription of an amount fixed by the Council. The annual subscription shall fall due on 1 January each year. Membership will lapse if an annual subscription is not received by 31 March until such time as a renewal subscription is received.

(The Constitution was amended in 2014 by the addition of the last two sentences.)

8. The first honorary officers and Council of the Society shall be the persons elected to the Committee of the Population Studies Group. One half of the members of the original Council to be chosen by lot shall retire on 31 December 1975. The original officers shall also retire on 31 December 1975.

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9. The Annual General Meeting of the Society shall be held on such a day and at such time and place as the Council may determine. The Council shall have power at any time to call a Special General Meeting, and such a meeting shall be called by the Council on receipt of a request to that effect signed by not less than 20 members. Not less than 21 days' notice shall be given of all General meetings of the Society. The quorum at a General Meeting of the Society shall be 12 members. (Previously 20 members; amended at the Society's AGM 12 July 2001.)
10. At the Annual General Meeting the Treasurer shall present the accounts of the Society for the previous year for approval.
11. Not less than three months before the Annual General Meeting the Secretary shall ask members to nominate candidates for any offices or seats on the Council which will fall vacant during the calendar year. If the number of nominations exceeds the number of vacancies a ballot shall be held of all the membership and the result declared at the Annual General Meeting.

(Amended 2014 to 'all the membership')

12. No member of the Council or honorary officer shall be permitted to receive any remuneration whatever for work done for the Society, provided nothing in this section shall prevent the reimbursement to such members of expenses incurred in conduction of the Society's affairs.
13. If upon dissolution of the Society there remains after the satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities, any property whatsoever, the same shall not be paid to or distributed among the members of the Society but shall be given or transferred to some charitable institution or institutions having objects similar to the objects of the Society, but failing this, to some other charitable object.
14. Changes in this constitution shall be made only at a General Meeting of the Society, and a month's notice in writing shall be given of such proposals. Any proposal for a change in the Constitution which would cause the Society to cease to be a charity in law, or any proposal to change Articles 1, 2, 3 or 13 of this Constitution, shall not become operative until it has been submitted to a ballot of all the membership and approved by a majority of at least two-thirds of those voting. Amendments to other articles of this Constitution shall become operative, if passed by a simple majority at the Annual General Meeting.

(Amended 2014 to remove requirement for postal ballot)

BRITISH SOCIETY FOR POPULATION STUDIES**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024****APPENDIX 3****GRANTS**

There were 26 Conference bursaries awarded in 2024, to:

1. Rosie Le Voir
2. David Bomark
3. Parth Pandya
4. Sarah Tanishka Nethan
5. Maria Gargiulo
6. Eirini Ktori
7. James T L Cruz
8. Zongpu Yue
9. Tianning Zhu
10. Edward Pomeroy
11. Adriana Scanteianu
12. Jasmin Abdel Ghany
13. Alice Wolfle
14. Shiyu Yuan
15. Midanna de Almada
16. Hampton Gaddy
17. Abhishek Gupta
18. Ruth Neville
19. Joseph Harrison
20. Nicholas Fitzhenry
21. Micol Matilde Morellini
22. Matt Mason
23. Kuoshi Hu
24. Bharti Singh
25. Shruti Acharya
26. Jiseon Baek

The LMIC visitor was Md Moinuddin Haider of the International Centre for Diarrhoeal Disease Research, Bangladesh (iccdr,b).

There were three international travel awards in the year:

- Joe Strong (QMUL) (£240)
- Maria Gargiulo (LSHTM) (£250)
- Midanna de Almada (LSE) (£250)

No grants were made for any other purposes.

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BRITISH SOCIETY FOR POPULATION STUDIES**TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

We present our report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Report for 2023**1. Objectives**

The British Society for Population Studies is a society of persons who have demonstrated by their writings or otherwise a scientific interest in the study of human populations. The Society's objectives are to benefit the public by furthering the scientific study of biological, economic, historical, medical, social and other problems connected with human populations, and to contribute to public awareness of these problems. BSPS members work in academia, local and central government, and industry and include postgraduate students of demography and population studies.

Benefits of membership include first-call invitations to BSPS and other meetings, a Newsletter and circulations of time-dated material, a reduced registration fee to the annual BSPS Conference (when held physically), and a reduced-rate personal subscription to the Journal, *Population Studies*. Members are invited to participate in BSPS consultations and networks with academic and government research. The Society maintains a website at <http://www.bspb.org.uk/bbps>. It is anticipated that BSPS, in pursuit of its objectives and aims, will continue its programme of occasional day meetings and annual conferences and continue to provide travel and meeting grants to enable members to attend its events as well as relevant meetings organized by others.

2. Grant making policy

The Society aims to use surplus income from the previous year to fund meetings, travel grants to members, bursaries to the annual conference for student members, and to fund the annual Low- and Middle-Income countries initiative, which resumed in 2023. Surplus income derives principally from the previous year's annual conference, where available, though a small deficit is reported in 2023 owing to the popularity of this year's student bursary scheme. As 2023 is the Society's Anniversary, expenditure was made on three Commemorative events during the year, in addition to the Conferences.

3. Investment, reserves and risk management policy

The Society maintains reserves to meet any future deficits on its activities, any outstanding commitments should the Society be wound up, the liability ensuing if the usual annual conference were to be cancelled at short notice, and the likely costs of the Secretariat should the PIC withdraw its support. Therefore, the trustees consider that an appropriate level of reserves should cover appropriate charitable expenditure for one year. However, as 2023 is the Society's 50th Anniversary and events are planned to mark this, including an anniversary conference, it was thought prudent to maintain higher than usual reserves for 2023. This is to cover the eventualities of income not meeting the costs of the commemorative events for which higher than usual budgets have been allowed. Reserves required are, therefore, set at £95,000 for 2023.

Free reserves stand at £118,910 at 31 December 2023, although it should be noted that £18,721 (£17,121 at 31 December 2022), is held in COIF shares, whose value can be expected to fluctuate (original cost £10,000). It is anticipated that the excess over the required amount will be expended in future years, in furtherance of the Society's charitable activities.

A substantial part of the Society's reserves, £55,787 (£52,943 at 31 December 2022), are held in a COIF deposit account, which is not protected by any financial compensation scheme. However, the trustees believe it unlikely that the UK Government would let charities suffer the consequences of the failure of a Charity Commission-approved deposit scheme such as COIF. It has also been noted that common deposit funds spread their investments between a number of banks, so it is unlikely that all deposits would be lost in the event of a single bank failure. The trustees closely monitor both the COIF shares and the COIF deposit account to protect the finances of the Society.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

4. Review of financial transactions

The financial statements summarise the Society's transactions during 2023. Staff of the Population Investigation Committee (PIC) carried out the general administrative work, accounting and bookkeeping functions, maintenance of the website, and administration of the conference at cost. With the unrealized gain on the COIF Shareholding of £1,600 taken into account, the amount held in the General Fund increased by £4,958 in the year, after the £3,149 surplus on the 2022 Conference Account was transferred (Note 16). Council Expenses amounted to £262, consisting of travel expenses relating to their service as speakers at day meetings. Expenditure on day meetings on special topics resumed, and three were held during the course of this 50th Anniversary year of BFPS with costs amounting to £3,945. Although the numbers of Members decreased, Membership Subscriptions increased from £5,283 in 2022 to £6,645 in 2023, due to a substantial effort to follow up payment. There was a small deficit of £393 on the Conference and a surplus of £1,809 in general income and expenditure. The Balance of the General Fund at the end of 2023 was £119,303 (See Note 16).

5. Funds

- a) The Society's funds derive from members' subscriptions, from investment income, from the PIC grant to BPS and from any surpluses on the annual conference. Apart from grants for specific purposes, all funds are unrestricted. Conferences are intended to be self-financing, although Council may choose to support e.g. student bursaries at a deficit supported by the General Fund. Similarly, when any surplus remains, this is added to the General Fund.
- b) Membership of the Society: During 2023 there were seven categories of membership, as in previous years, and no increase in membership subscriptions. Membership subscription rates are per calendar year, except for lifetime membership for retired members:

• Full membership	£25.00
• Country membership – beyond the Network Southeast Region or overseas	£20.00
• Student members	£7.50
• Members in LEDCs	£7.50
• Retired members	£7.50
• Lifetime membership for retired members – single payment	£75.00
• Honorary membership, awarded by Council to members of the Society who have not only given long and distinguished service to the Society, but have also made significant contributions to the development of population studies in the UK. There are currently no honorary members.	

At 31 December 2023 there were 367 subscription-paying members, compared with 400 at the end of 2022. Income is nonetheless up, as the secretariat devoted substantial effort to ensuring members were paid up to date, including introducing a direct debit scheme for that purpose.

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6. Activities during the year

- a) Meetings. There were three well attended BSPS & BSPS-supported meetings in the year, connected by the theme of the BSPS 50th Anniversary Looking Backwards, Looking Forwards, which was also the theme of the Conference:
- Workshop on interdisciplinary perspectives on research and teaching in Historical Demography, 17-18 April (LSE)
 - Talking about population: A BSPS 50 Anniversary public event, 7 July (LSE)
 - Local population change and policy challenges, 6 November (British Academy)
- b) Annual Conference. The 2023 Annual Conference was held at Keele University from 11-13 September. Over 290 attended the event, and a total of 239 presentations were given. Professor Tony Champion FAcSS of Newcastle University gave a plenary offering some personal reflections from a geographical perspective whilst a second plenary was a conversation between Professor Ridhi Kashyap (University of Oxford), Dr Bernice Kuang (University of Southampton) and Dr Louisa Blackwell (ONS) on New and future developments in British population studies. Additionally Dr Laura Sochas of the University of Edinburgh gave the early-career plenary session on Quantitative approaches for critical & feminist population studies: Structure & heterogeneity. There was also a postgraduate and early career mentoring session.
- c) BSPS Prize. An annual prize is awarded for the best submitted Master's dissertation from the previous year on a demographic topic, for which two or three independent judges are selected by Council. The prize was awarded to Jiyeong Seo (LSE) for their dissertation: Understanding the role of socioeconomic position and life-style related risk factors in determining the speed of cognitive decline: Korean Longitudinal Study of Ageing. There was a cash prize of £300.
- d) Early career award. The winner of the 2023 Early Career Award was Dr Laura Sochas of the University of Edinburgh. Dr Sochas gave the early-career plenary session on Quantitative approaches for critical & feminist population studies: Structure & heterogeneity.
- e) Anne Shepherd, who as General Secretary of the Population Investigation Committee (PIC) ran the BSPS Secretariat for over 20 years, retired at the end of 2023. In honour of and with gratitude for all her work, the BSPS Early Career Award will be renamed the Anne Shepherd New Investigator Award from 2024 onward.

7. Council members and officers

Three new Council members were elected in 2023, to replace those who had completed their 4-year terms. Additionally, a committee of postgraduate students was established to fulfil the role previously occupied by the non-trustee postgraduate representative on Council, i.e. to promote and represent the interests of postgraduate students in the Society and in turn to promote the Society among this constituency. See listing in Appendix A1.

All new Trustees receive an induction pack, containing the Charity Commission booklet on the responsibilities of Trustees (<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-essential-trustee-what-you-need-to-know-cc3>), Minutes of the previous year's Council meetings, and the Minutes of the AGM. Further help can be offered to any Trustee who requires it. The Secretariat forwards all Charity Commission briefings for Trustees to the BSPS Trustees as received.

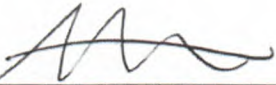
BRITISH SOCIETY FOR POPULATION STUDIES**TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023****8. Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities**

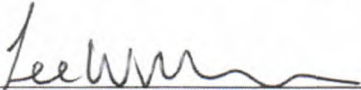
Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing those financial statements, giving a true and fair view, the trustees should follow best practice and:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments 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;
- prepare financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue to operate.

Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and which enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with relevant legislation and the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:


Trustee NICOLA SHELTON


Trustee LEE WILLIAMSON

Date: 9 SEP 2024

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
BRITISH SOCIETY FOR POPULATION STUDIES**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the British Society for Population Studies for the year ended 31 December 2023. This report is made to the Trustees, as a body, in accordance with the terms of my engagement. My work has been undertaken so that I might carry out an Independent Examination of the financial statements in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charity and the Charity's Trustees as a body for my work or for this report.

Responsibilities and basis for 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 Charity 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.

65 Leadenhall Street
London EC3A 2AD

Date: 24/9/2024



Greg Stevenson, F.C.A.
Knox Cropper LLP
Chartered Accountants

BRITISH SOCIETY FOR POPULATION STUDIES
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Notes	2023			2022		
		Un- restricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £	Un- restricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £
INCOME FROM							
Grants, Donations and Subscriptions	3	18,645	1,500	20,145	13,783	1,500	15,283
Charitable Activities	4	79,183	-	79,183	50,891	-	50,891
Investment Income	5	2,806	-	2,806	1,016	-	1,016
Total Income		<u>100,634</u>	<u>1,500</u>	<u>102,134</u>	<u>65,690</u>	<u>1,500</u>	<u>67,190</u>
EXPENDITURE ON							
Raising Funds	6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable Activities	7	101,192	1,500	102,692	57,998	1,500	59,498
Total Expenditure		<u>101,192</u>	<u>1,500</u>	<u>102,692</u>	<u>57,998</u>	<u>1,500</u>	<u>59,498</u>
		(558)	-	(558)	7,692	-	7,692
Net Gains/(Losses) on Investments	10	1,600	-	1,600	(2,253)	-	(2,253)
Net Income/(Expenditure) and Net Movement in Funds		<u>1,042</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,042</u>	<u>5,439</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,439</u>
Total Funds Brought Forward		117,868	-	117,868	112,429	-	112,429
Transfer Between Funds		-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Funds Carried Forward		<u>£118,910</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£118,910</u>	<u>£117,868</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£117,868</u>

None of the Charity's activities was acquired or discontinued during the above two financial years. Unrestricted and Restricted Funds comprise both General and Conference Income and Expenditure which are analysed further in Note 16 to the Accounts.

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BALANCE SHEET

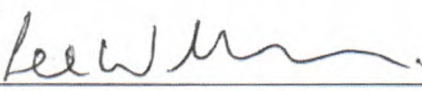
AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Notes	2023		2022	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Investments	10		18,721		17,121
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	11	217		1,236	
Cash at Bank and in Hand		107,769		105,257	
		<u>107,986</u>		<u>106,493</u>	
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	12	<u>(7,797)</u>		<u>(5,746)</u>	
Net Current Assets			100,189		100,747
TOTAL NET ASSETS			<u>118,910</u>		<u>117,868</u>
FUNDS					
Restricted Funds	14		-		-
Unrestricted - General Fund			118,910		117,868
TOTAL FUNDS			<u>£118,910</u>		<u>£117,868</u>

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 9 SEP 2024 and signed on its behalf by:



 Trustee



 Trustee

BRITISH SOCIETY FOR POPULATION STUDIES

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

1. STATUS

British Society for Population Studies is an unincorporated charity, registered with the Charity Commission with registered number 266161. The Charity's registered address is BPS Secretariat, LSE POR.2.01, Houghton Street, London, WC2A 2AE. A description of the Charity's operations and principal activities can be found in the Report of the Trustees.

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Basis of Accounting

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to these accounts. They have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) Second Edition issued in October 2019 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102 March 2018) and the Charities Act 2011. The Charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The accounts have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure involved following Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

The Trustees consider that there are no uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

The functional and presentational currency of the Charity is the £ Sterling.

(b) Income

Income is recognised in the year once the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

Donations, Subscriptions and Grants are recognised when the Charity receives the income. Investment Income is recognised on the date on which the dividend is payable or the interest arises.

Income is deferred only when the Charity has to fulfil conditions before becoming entitled to it or the donor has specified that the income has to be spent in a future period.

(c) Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the Charity to that expenditure, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis.

- **Costs of Raising Funds**
The cost of raising funds consists of investment management fees.
- **Charitable Activities**
Costs of Charitable Activities include Conference Costs, grants to individuals and direct costs associated with administration as well as an allocation of support costs.

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2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

- **Support Costs**
Support costs have been allocated between activities on the basis of staff time and include Governance costs, which comprises all costs involving the public accountability of the Charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

(d) Fund Accounting**(i) Unrestricted Funds:**

The unrestricted funds may be used by the Charity in furtherance of its charitable objectives at the discretion of the Trustees. The Council may, at their discretion, set aside unrestricted funds for specific future purposes. These are shown as designated funds within unrestricted funds. Where such funds are no longer required for the intended purposes, they are released to general funds.

(ii) Restricted Funds:

Where income is received for purposes specified by the donor or the terms of appeal under which it was raised, that income is shown as restricted in the statement of financial activities. Expenditure for the specified purposes is shown as restricted fund expenditure. Any unexpended balance at the balance sheet date is carried forward as a restricted income fund.

(e) Value Added Tax

The Charity is not registered for VAT and accordingly where applicable, all expenditure incurred is inclusive of VAT.

(f) Investments

The Charity's 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. The statement of financial activities includes the net gains and losses arising on the revaluations and disposals throughout the year.

Realised gains and losses on investments are arrived at by comparing the net sale proceeds with the market value at the end of the previous financial year. Unrealised gains and losses represent the difference between the market value of investments still held at the end of the financial year with their value at the beginning of the year or with their cost if purchased subsequently.

(g) Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

(h) Cash at Bank

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

(i) 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 after allowing for any trade discounts due.

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3. GRANTS, DONATION AND SUBSCRIPTIONS

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	
			2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
CONFERENCE				
Grants – Adelphi Genetics	-	1,500	1,500	1,500
– PIC	7,500	-	7,500	4,000
	<u>7,500</u>	<u>1,500</u>	<u>9,000</u>	<u>5,500</u>
OTHER				
Grants – PIC	4,500	-	4,500	4,500
– Member Subscriptions	6,645	-	6,645	5,283
	<u>11,145</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,145</u>	<u>9,783</u>
TOTAL	<u>£18,645</u>	<u>£1,500</u>	<u>£20,145</u>	<u>£15,283</u>
2022	<u>£13,783</u>	<u>£1,500</u>	<u>£15,283</u>	

4. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	
			2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
CONFERENCE				
Conference Registration and Accommodation	£79,183	£ -	£79,183	£50,891
2022	<u>£50,891</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£50,891</u>	

5. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2023	2022
	£	£
Distributions from Investments	514	432
Interest	2,292	584
	<u>£2,806</u>	<u>£1,016</u>

6. COSTS OF RAISING FUNDS

	2023	2022
	£	£
Investment Managers Fees	-	-
	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ -</u>

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7. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	
			2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
CONFERENCE				
Secretariat	7,500	-	7,500	4,000
Conference Costs	71,976	1,500	73,476	44,280
Conference Bursaries	7,500	-	7,500	4,725
Conference Plenary Speakers	-	-	-	135
Conference Poster Prize	100	-	100	100
	<u>87,076</u>	<u>1,500</u>	<u>88,576</u>	<u>53,240</u>
OTHER				
Secretarial	4,500	-	4,500	4,500
Travel Grants	750	-	750	500
BSPS Prize	300	-	300	300
ACSS Membership	300	-	300	300
LMIC Initiative	1,741	-	1,741	-
Day Meetings	3,945	-	3,945	-
Miscellaneous Costs	838	-	838	-
Support Costs (Note 6)	1,742	-	1,742	658
	<u>14,116</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14,116</u>	<u>6,258</u>
	<u>£101,192</u>	<u>£1,500</u>	<u>£102,692</u>	<u>£59,498</u>
2022	<u>£57,998</u>	<u>£1,500</u>	<u>£59,498</u>	

8. SUPPORT COSTS

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	
			2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Printing Postage & Stationery	245	-	245	64
Telephone	117	-	117	84
Independent Examination	1,380	-	1,380	510
	<u>£1,742</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£1,742</u>	<u>£658</u>
2022	<u>£658</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£658</u>	

9. SALARIES

The Society covers the costs involved in administering the conference and other activities.

In 2023 total salary costs were as follows:

	£
General salaries, including NI costs	4,500
Conference salaries, including NI costs	7,500

Against which a grant of £12,000 was made by the PIC to the BSPS.

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10. INVESTMENTS

	2023	2022
	£	£
(a) Quoted Investments at Market Value	<u>18,721</u>	<u>17,121</u>
(b) Movement in Investments		
Market value as at 1 January 2023	17,121	19,374
Additions	-	-
Disposals	-	-
Investment Gains/(Losses)	<u>1,600</u>	<u>(2,253)</u>
Market value at 31 December 2023	<u>£18,721</u>	<u>£17,121</u>

The carrying amount of financial assets measured at fair value through income and expenditure within Investments is £18,721 (2022: £17,121).

11. DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS

	2023	2022
	£	£
Prepayments and Other Debtors	<u>217</u>	<u>1,236</u>
	<u>£217</u>	<u>£1,236</u>

12. CREDITORS

	2023	2022
	£	£
Other Creditors	6,417	5,746
Accruals	<u>1,380</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>£7,797</u>	<u>£5,746</u>

13. NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2023 Total
	£	£	£
Fixed Asset Investments	18,721	-	18,721
Current Assets	107,986	-	107,986
Current Liabilities	<u>(7,797)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(7,797)</u>
	<u>£118,910</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£118,910</u>
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2022 Total
	£	£	£
Fixed Asset Investments	17,121	-	17,121
Current Assets	106,493	-	106,493
Current Liabilities	<u>(5,746)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(5,746)</u>
	<u>£117,868</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£117,868</u>

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14. RESTRICTED FUNDS

	Conference Grant Fund
<u>2023</u>	£
Balance B/F	-
Income	1,500
Expenditure	<u>(1,500)</u>
Balance C/F	<u>£ -</u>
<u>2022</u>	£
Balance B/F	-
Income	1,500
Expenditure	<u>(1,500)</u>
Balance C/F	<u>£ -</u>

The Society receives Grants from Adelphi Genetics in respect of the Annual Conference.

15. RELATED PARTIES

The following Trustees were refunded costs in relation to Day Meetings- Professor Alice Reid £51.39, Dr Melanie Channon £124.50, Dr Francesca Fiori £182.96 and Dr Nitzam Peri-Rotem £86.09. (2022 £Nil)

Members of the Council who are Trustees do not receive any remuneration. Expenses refunded to council members £262 (2022: £Nil).

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16. ANALYSIS OF GENERAL AND CONFERENCE INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

<u>2023</u>	Total Per SOFA	General	Conference
	£	£	£
Income From			
Grants, Donations & Subscriptions	20,145	11,145	9,000
Charitable Activities	79,183	-	79,183
Investment Income	2,806	2,806	-
TOTAL INCOME	<u>102,134</u>	<u>13,951</u>	<u>88,183</u>
Expenditure on			
Raising Funds	-	-	-
Charitable Expenditure	102,692	14,116	88,576
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	<u>102,692</u> (558)	<u>14,116</u> (165)	<u>88,576</u> (393)
Net Gains/(Losses) on Investments	1,600	1,600	-
Net Income/(Expenditure) and Net Movement in Funds	1,042	1,435	(393)
TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD	117,868	114,719	3,149
TRANSFER BETWEEN FUNDS	-	3,149	(3,149)
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>£118,910</u>	<u>£119,303</u>	<u>£(393)</u>

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16. ANALYSIS OF GENERAL AND CONFERENCE INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

<u>2022</u>	Total Per SOFA	General	Conference
	£	£	£
Income From			
Grants, Donations & Subscriptions	15,283	9,783	5,500
Charitable Activities	50,891	-	50,891
Investment Income	1,016	1,016	-
TOTAL INCOME	<u>67,190</u>	<u>10,799</u>	<u>56,391</u>
Expenditure on			
Raising Funds	-	-	-
Charitable Expenditure	59,498	6,256	53,242
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	<u>59,498</u>	<u>6,256</u>	<u>53,242</u>
	7,692	4,543	
Net Gains/(Losses) on Investments	(2,253)	(2,253)	-
Net Income/(Expenditure) and Net Movement in Funds	5,439	2,290	3,149
TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD	112,429	117,917	(5,488)
TRANSFER BETWEEN FUNDS	-	(5,488)	5,488
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>£117,868</u>	<u>£114,719</u>	<u>£3,149</u>

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COUNCIL OFFICERS AND MEMBERS**APPENDIX 1****Trustees:**

Professor Alice Reid amr1001@cam.ac.uk	President September 2021 – September 2023
Professor Nicola Shelton n.shelton@ucl.ac.uk	Vice-President September 2021 – September 2023 President September 2023 – 6 September 2025
Steve Smallwood steve.smallwood@ons.gov.uk	Vice-President September 2023 – September 2025
Dr Lee Williamson lee.williamson@ed.ac.uk	Honorary Treasurer from October 2022 – September 2026
Dr Melanie Channon mde51@bath.ac.uk	Honorary Secretary from September 2021 – September 2025
Dr Francesca Fiori francesca.fiori@strath.ac.uk	September 2023 – September 2027
Dr Mark Fransham mark.fransham@spi.ox.ac.uk	September 2019 – September 2023
Dr Alice Goisis a.goisis@ucl.ac.uk	September 2021 – September 2025
Dr Jason Hilton j.d.hilton@soton.ac.uk	September 2021 – September 2025
Philip Humby philip.humby@ons.ac.uk	September 2021 – September 2025
Professor Shireen Kanji s.kanji@brunel.ac.uk	September 2021 – September 2025
Dr Julia Mikolai julia.mikolai@st-andrews.ac.uk	September 2019 – September 2023
Dr Rishita Nandagiri rishita.nandagiri@kcl.ac.uk	From October 2022 – AGM 2026
Dr Nitzan Peri-Rotem n.peri-rottem@exeter.ac.uk	October 2022 – AGM 2026
Professor Eric Schneider e.b.schneider@lse.ac.uk	October 2022 – AGM 2026
Dr Laura Sochas laura.sochas@ed.ac.uk	September 2023 – September 2027
Dr Sarah Walters sarah.walters@lshtm.ac.uk	September 2021 – September 2025
Non-trustees:	
Joe Strong j.strong3@lse.ac.uk	Postgraduate student representative from September 2021 – September 2023
Parth Pandya, Hampton Gaddy, Nilofer Sait, Izzi Carter	Postgraduate Committee September 2023 onwards
BSPS Secretariat (Helen Spriggs) pic@lse.ac.uk Tel: +44(0)20 7955 7666	Address: POR.2.01, London School of Economics, London, WC2A 2AE

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APPENDIX 2

CONSTITUTION FOR THE BRITISH SOCIETY FOR POPULATION STUDIES

1. The British Society for Population Studies is a society of persons, who have demonstrated by their writings or otherwise a scientific interest in the study of human populations. The Society's object shall be for the benefit of the public to further the scientific study of biological, economic, historical, medical, social and other problems connected with human populations and to contribute to the public awareness of these problems.
2. In furtherance of the foregoing object the Society shall:
 - (i) provide facilities for studies and research into subjects connected with human populations and for the exchange and dissemination of information concerning such research;
 - (ii) arrange public meetings, lectures, conferences and seminars for the consideration and discussion of problems relating to human populations;
 - (iii) provide a forum for the discussion of issues connected with human population and act as a vehicle for the interchange of education ideas.
3. The income of the Society whencesoever derived shall be applied solely for the promotion of the objects set forth in the articles of this constitution.
4. The Society shall be managed by a Council, which may form committees to assist it, and the Council shall have power to make rules for the guidance of such committees. Membership of committees shall not be restricted to members of the Council.
5. The Council shall consist of a President, a Vice President, a Secretary, a Treasurer and ten elected members. They shall be elected in accordance with the provisions of Article 11 below. The President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer shall serve as such for two years, and the President and Vice President shall not be immediately re-eligible for the same office. Members of the Council shall serve for four years, and one-half of the members shall retire every two years. No ordinary members of Council shall serve as such for a consecutive period exceeding four years in all. No person shall serve consecutively on Council, whether in one or several capacities, for a period exceeding eight years.

(The Constitution was amended in 1991 to allow up to ten elected members to serve on Council. It was amended again in 2014 to limit the terms of office on the Hon. Treasurer and Hon. Secretary).

6. The founder members of the Society shall be the members of the Population Studies Group at the time of the foundation of the Society. Other persons may be admitted to membership of the Society by the Council, provided that they can satisfy the Council of their scientific interest in population problems.
7. Every member of the Society shall pay an annual subscription of an amount fixed by the Council. The annual subscription shall fall due on 1 January each year. Membership will lapse if an annual subscription is not received by 31 March until such time as a renewal subscription is received.

(The Constitution was amended in 2014 by the addition of the last two sentences.)

8. The first honorary officers and Council of the Society shall be the persons elected to the Committee of the Population Studies Group. One half of the members of the original Council to be chosen by lot shall retire on 31 December 1975. The original officers shall also retire on 31 December 1975.

BRITISH SOCIETY FOR POPULATION STUDIES**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

APPENDIX 2**CONSTITUTION FOR THE BRITISH SOCIETY FOR POPULATION STUDIES (CONTINUED)**

9. The Annual General Meeting of the Society shall be held on such a day and at such time and place as the Council may determine. The Council shall have power at any time to call a Special General Meeting, and such a meeting shall be called by the Council on receipt of a request to that effect signed by not less than 20 members. Not less than 21 days' notice shall be given of all General meetings of the Society. The quorum at a General Meeting of the Society shall be 12 members. (Previously 20 members; amended at the Society's AGM 12 July 2001.)
10. At the Annual General Meeting the Treasurer shall present the accounts of the Society for the previous year for approval.
11. Not less than three months before the Annual General Meeting the Secretary shall ask members to nominate candidates for any offices or seats on the Council which will fall vacant during the calendar year. If the number of nominations exceeds the number of vacancies a ballot shall be held of all the membership and the result declared at the Annual General Meeting.

(Amended 2014 to 'all the membership')

12. No member of the Council or honorary officer shall be permitted to receive any remuneration whatever for work done for the Society, provided nothing in this section shall prevent the reimbursement to such members of expenses incurred in conduction of the Society's affairs.
13. If upon dissolution of the Society there remains after the satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities, any property whatsoever, the same shall not be paid to or distributed among the members of the Society but shall be given or transferred to some charitable institution or institutions having objects similar to the objects of the Society, but failing this, to some other charitable object.
14. Changes in this constitution shall be made only at a General Meeting of the Society, and a month's notice in writing shall be given of such proposals. Any proposal for a change in the Constitution which would cause the Society to cease to be a charity in law, or any proposal to change Articles 1, 2, 3 or 13 of this Constitution, shall not become operative until it has been submitted to a ballot of all the membership and approved by a majority of at least two-thirds of those voting. Amendments to other articles of this Constitution shall become operative, if passed by a simple majority at the Annual General Meeting.

(Amended 2014 to remove requirement for postal ballot)

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APPENDIX 3**GRANTS**

There were 30 Conference bursaries awarded in 2023, awarded to:

1. Andrea Aparicio-Castro
2. Brian Buh
3. Christoph Hess
4. Caroline Kienast-von Einem
5. Cristina Suero
6. Damith Chandrasenage
7. Ellie Jane Kearton
8. Edward Pomeroy
9. Hampton Gaddy
10. Ilona Pinter
11. Ignacio Franco Vega
12. Joe Strong
13. Joseph Harrison
14. Kuoshi Hu
15. Magda Muter
16. Mary-Alice Doyle
17. Michaela Šedovič
18. Maria Palma
19. Micol Matilde Morellini
20. Michaela Stastna
21. Mengxing Ma
22. Nathaniel Darling
23. Oki Krisnadevi
24. Parth Pandya
25. Rosanna Le Voir
26. Ruth Neville
27. Ursula Gazeley
28. Yingzi Shen
29. Yu-Chin Her
30. Mihir Adhikary

The LMIC visitor was Professor Jesman Chintsanya of the University of Malawi.

There were three international travel awards in the year of £250 each:

- Mary Abed Al Ahad (University of St Andrews)
- Joseph Harrison (University of St Andrews)
- Michaela Kyclova (University of St Andrews)

No grants were made for any other purposes.

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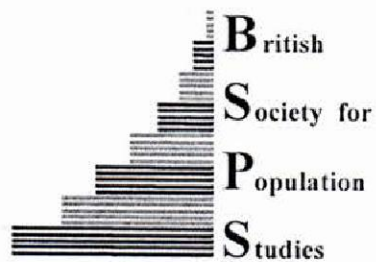
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I Legal and administrative information

1. Full name of charity: British Society for Population Studies (BSPS)
2. Charity registration Number: 266161
3. Address: at the London School of Economics and Political Science
POR.2.01
Houghton Street
London WC2A 2AE
4. The BSPS is governed by the Constitution (Appendix A2), registered by the Charity Commission on 26 July 1973 & as subsequently amended in 1991, 2001 and 2014.
5. A list of the Trustees is given in Appendix A1
6. Independent examiner:

Gundry Stone Accountants
1 Artist Terrace
Heartlands, Robinsons Shaft, Pool
Redruth,
Cornwall TR15 3FE

7. Bankers:

NatWest Bank PLC
Fleet Street (C) Branch
PO Box 281
156 Fleet Street
London EC4A 2DX

Santander PLC
Bootle
Merseyside
L30 4GB

8. The income of the Society is used solely to further the aims as laid down by the Constitution.
9. Staff of the Society:
The Population Investigation Committee (PIC) provides the Secretariat for the BSPS at cost, and an allowance of £8,500 was again made by the PIC to the BSPS in 2022 to set against the cost of running the Secretariat. The PIC looks after all administrative and accounting functions and drafts the Society's final accounts, in addition to maintaining the Society's website and carrying out the organisational work for the annual conference.

II Report for 2022

1. Objectives.

The British Society for Population Studies is a society of persons who have demonstrated by their writings or otherwise a scientific interest in the study of human populations. The Society's objectives are to benefit the public by furthering the scientific study of biological, economic, historical, medical, social and other problems connected with human populations, and to contribute to public awareness of these problems. BSPS members work in academia, local and central government, and industry and include postgraduate students of demography and population studies.

Benefits of membership include first-call invitations to BSPS and other meetings, a Newsletter and circulations of time-dated material, a reduced registration fee to the annual BSPS Conference (when held physically), and a reduced-rate personal subscription to the Journal, *Population Studies*. Members are invited to participate in BSPS consultations and networks with academic and government research. The Society maintains a website at <http://www.bsps.org.uk/bsps>. It is anticipated that BSPS, in pursuit of its objectives and aims, will continue its programme of occasional day meetings and annual conferences and continue to provide travel and meeting grants to enable members to attend its events as well as relevant meetings organised by others.

2. Grant making policy.

The Society aims to use surplus income from the previous year to fund meetings, travel grants to members, bursaries to the annual conference for student members, and to fund the annual Low- and Middle-Income countries initiative, which was not resumed in 2022 owing to continuing Covid-19-related travel restrictions. Surplus income derives principally from the previous year's annual conference, and a small surplus is reported in 2022. There was no grant expenditure in 2022, but as 2023 will be the Society's 50th Anniversary it is expected that there will be substantial expenditure on commemorative events.

3. Investment, reserves, and risk management policy.

The Society maintains reserves to meet any future deficits on its activities, any outstanding commitments should the Society be wound up, the liability ensuing if the usual annual conference were to be cancelled at short notice, and the likely costs of the Secretariat should the PIC withdraw its support. Therefore, the trustees consider that an appropriate level of reserves should cover appropriate charitable expenditure for one year. However, as 2023 will be the Society's 50th anniversary & events are planned to mark this, including an anniversary conference, it is thought prudent to maintain higher than usual reserves for 2023. This is to cover the eventualities of income not meeting the costs of the commemorative events for which higher than usual budgets have been allowed. Reserves required are, therefore, set at £95,000 for 2023.

Free reserves stand at £114,719 at 31 December 2022, although it should be noted that £17,121 (£19,374 at 31 December 2021), is held in COIF shares, whose value can be expected to fluctuate (original cost £10,000). It is anticipated that the excess over the required amount will be expended in future years, in furtherance of the Society's charitable activities.

A substantial part of the Society's reserves, £52,943 (£51,922 at 31 December 2021), are held in a COIF deposit account, which is not protected by any financial compensation scheme. However, the trustees believe it unlikely that the UK Government would let charities suffer the consequences of the failure of a Charity Commission-approved deposit scheme such as COIF. It has also been noted that common deposit funds spread their investments between a number of banks, so it is unlikely that all deposits would be lost in the event of a single bank failure. At the start of the year deposit account interest rates were very low, and had been for some time, with an average of 0.1% interest being paid on the COIF deposit account holding: this rose slightly during 2022 to 2.5%. The trustees closely monitor both the COIF shares and the COIF deposit account to protect the finances of the Society.

4. Review of financial transactions.

The financial statements set out in Appendix A3 summarise the Society's transactions during 2022. Staff of the Population Investigation Committee (PIC) carried out the general administrative work, accounting and book-keeping functions, maintenance of the website, and administration of the conference at cost. With the unrealised loss on the COIF shareholding of £2,253 taken into account, the amount held in the General Fund decreased by £3,198 in the year, after the £5,488 deficit on the 2021 Conference account was deducted. There were no Council expenses in the year as all Council meetings were held virtually. There was again no expenditure on day meetings, and no expenditure on meeting grants to other groups. Overall expenditure in the year was minimal. There was a decrease in membership subscriptions owing to the return to a physical Conference where those participating were not obliged to join the Society. There was a small surplus of £3,149 on the Conference and a surplus of £4,542 in general income and expenditure. The balance of the General Fund at the end of 2022 was £114,719.

5. Funds.

a) The Society's funds derive from members' subscriptions, from investment income, from the PIC grant to BSPS, and from any surpluses on the annual conference. Apart from grants for specific purposes, all funds are unrestricted. Conferences are intended to be self-financing, although a deficit has arisen occasionally, as in 2021, which has been covered from the General Fund. Similarly, when any surplus remains, this is added to the General Fund after a year or held in reserve for future conferences.

b) Membership of the Society: During 2021 there were seven categories of membership, as in previous years, & no increase in membership subscriptions. Membership subscription rates are per calendar year, except for lifetime membership for retired members:

- Full membership £25.00
- Country membership – beyond the Network Southeast
Region or overseas £20.00
- Student members £7.50
- Members in LEDCs £7.50
- Retired members £7.50
- Lifetime membership for retired members- single payment £75.00
- Honorary membership, awarded by Council to members of the Society who have not only given long and distinguished service to the Society, but have also made significant contributions to the development of population studies in the UK. There are currently no honorary members.

At 31 December 2022 there were 400 subscription-paying members, compared with 502 at the end of 2021 with a subsequent decrease in subscription income.

6. Activities during the year.

- a) **Newsletter.** The Newsletter appeared once in 2022 to coincide with the annual Conference. Otherwise there was not sufficient material to produce any further issues. However, the Secretariat sent out email circulations throughout the year, to disseminate time-dated information of interest to members.
- b) **Meetings.** There were no BSPS & BSPS-supported meetings in the year.
 - **Popfest**, the annual conference organised by and for postgraduate students in demography & population studies, took place at the European University Institute in Florence. BSPS provided £2185 from PopFest funds to the Institute to cover some of the costs.
 - **Annual Conference.** The 2022 Annual Conference was held at the University of Winchester from 5-7 September. Over 270 attended the event. There were nine sets of 90-minute sessions of submitted papers, with five or six sessions in each time slot. Additionally, there was a plenary discussion session on *The changing data ecosystem in demography: non-traditional data sources*, with Professor Rachel Franklin and Professor Andy Tatum. Professor Sir Ian Diamond, the National Statistician, gave a plenary on *Measuring populations and their characteristics: past, present and future*. Additional Dr Diego Alburez-Gutierrez gave the early-career plenary session on *'Kinequality': studies at the intersection of demography, kinship and inequality*. There was also a postgraduate and early career mentoring session.
- c) **BSPS Prize.** An annual prize is awarded for the best submitted Master's dissertation from the previous year on a demographic topic, for which two or three independent judges are selected by Council. The prize was awarded to Rosanna Le Voir (LSE) for her dissertation: *Measurement of modern contraceptive use among displacement-affected populations using cross-sectional household survey data*. There was a cash prize of £300.
- d) **Early career award.** The winner of the 2022 Early Career Award was Dr Diego Alburez-Gutierrez (Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research (MPIDR)). Dr Alburez-Gutierrez gave the early-career plenary at the 2022I Conference on *'Kinequality': studies at the intersection of demography, kinship and inequality*.

7. Council members and officers. Two new Council members were elected in 2022, to replace those who had completed their 4-year terms. See listing in Appendix A1. Additionally, Dr Dermot Grenham resigned as Hon. Treasurer and was replaced by Dr Lee Williamson.

8. Responsibilities of the trustees. Charity law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the Charity's affairs, and of the surplus or deficit for that period. In preparing these financial statements, trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis, unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue to exist.

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 Charity law. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity, and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

All new Trustees receive an induction pack, containing the Charity Commission booklet on the responsibilities of Trustees (<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-essential-trustee-what-you-need-to-know-cc3>), Minutes of the previous year's Council meetings, and the Minutes of the AGM. Further help can be offered to any Trustee who requires it. The Secretariat forwards all Charity Commission briefings for Trustees to the BSPS Trustees as received.

Approved by:

..... *Alice Reid* ALICE REID

Trustee:

..... *Lee Walsh*

Trustee:

Date... *4/9/2023*

Appendix A1

Council officers and members

Trustees:

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Appendix A2

CONSTITUTION FOR THE BRITISH SOCIETY FOR POPULATION STUDIES

1. The British Society for Population Studies is a society of persons, who have demonstrated by their writings or otherwise a scientific interest in the study of human populations. The Society's object shall be for the benefit of the public to further the scientific study of biological, economic, historical, medical, social and other problems connected with human populations and to contribute to the public awareness of these problems.
2. In furtherance of the foregoing object the Society shall:
 - (i) provide facilities for studies and research into subjects connected with human populations and for the exchange and dissemination of information concerning such research;
 - (ii) arrange public meetings, lectures, conferences and seminars for the consideration and discussion of problems relating to human populations;
 - (iii) provide a forum for the discussion of issues connected with human population and act as a vehicle for the interchange of education ideas.
3. The income of the Society whencesoever derived shall be applied solely for the promotion of the objects set forth in the articles of this constitution.
4. The Society shall be managed by a Council, which may form committees to assist it, and the Council shall have power to make rules for the guidance of such committees. Membership of committees shall not be restricted to members of the Council.
5. The Council shall consist of a President, a Vice President, a Secretary, a Treasurer and ten elected members. They shall be elected in accordance with the provisions of Article 11 below. The President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer shall serve as such for two years, and the President and Vice President shall not be immediately re-eligible for the same office. Members of the Council shall serve for four years, and one-half of the members shall retire every two years. No ordinary members of Council shall serve as such for a consecutive period exceeding four years in all. No person shall serve consecutively on Council, whether in one or several capacities, for a period exceeding eight years.

(The Constitution was amended in 1991 to allow up to ten elected members to serve on Council. It was amended again in 2014 to limit the terms of office of the Hon. Treasurer and Hon. Secretary).
6. The founder members of the Society shall be the members of the Population Studies Group at the time of the foundation of the Society. Other persons may be admitted to membership of the Society by the Council, provided that they can satisfy the Council of their scientific interest in population problems.
7. Every member of the Society shall pay an annual subscription of an amount fixed by the Council. The annual subscription shall fall due on 1 January each year. Membership will lapse if an annual subscription is not received by 31 March until such time as a renewal subscription is received.

(The Constitution was amended in 2014 by the addition of the last two sentences)

8. The first honorary officers and Council of the Society shall be the persons elected to the Committee of the Population Studies Group. One half of the members of the original Council to be chosen by lot shall retire on 31 December 1975. The original officers shall also retire on 31 December 1975.
9. The Annual General Meeting of the Society shall be held on such a day and at such time and place as the Council may determine. The Council shall have power at any time to call a Special General Meeting, and such a meeting shall be called by the Council on receipt of a request to that effect signed by not less than 20 members. Not less than 21 days' notice shall be given of all General meetings of the Society. The quorum at a General Meeting of the Society shall be 12 members. (Previously 20 members. Amended at the Society's AGM 12 July 2001.)
10. At the Annual General Meeting the Treasurer shall present the accounts of the Society for the previous year for approval.
11. Not less than three months before the Annual General Meeting the Secretary shall ask members to nominate candidates for any offices or seats on the Council which will fall vacant during the calendar year. If the number of nominations exceeds the number of vacancies a ballot shall be held of all the membership and the result declared at the Annual General Meeting.

(Amended 2014 to 'all the membership')

12. No member of the Council or honorary officer shall be permitted to receive any remuneration whatever for work done for the Society, provided nothing in this section shall prevent the reimbursement to such members of expenses incurred in conduction of the Society's affairs.
13. If upon dissolution of the Society there remains after the satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities, any property whatsoever, the same shall not be paid to or distributed among the members of the Society but shall be given or transferred to some charitable institution or institutions having objects similar to the objects of the Society, but failing this, to some other charitable object.
14. Changes in this constitution shall be made only at a General Meeting of the Society, and a month's notice in writing shall be given of such proposals. Any proposal for a change in the Constitution which would cause the Society to cease to be a charity in law, or any proposal to change Articles 1, 2, 3 or 13 of this Constitution, shall not become operative until it has been submitted to a ballot of all the membership and approved by a majority of at least two-thirds of those voting. Amendments to other articles of this Constitution shall become operative, if passed by a simple majority at the Annual General Meeting.

(Amended 2014 to remove requirement for postal ballot)

Appendix A3

Notes on the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022

Accounting policies:

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the guidelines for charities on the basis of the accruals concept and summarise the transactions and net assets of the various funds of the Charity. The principal accounting policies adopted are:

Accounting for income and expenditure

All income and expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis.

Designated funds

Designated funds represent amounts set aside by the Council for specific purposes. If the funds are no longer required for those specific purposes, the balances are transferred to general funds.

Restricted funds

Where income is received for purposes specified by the donor or the terms of appeal under which it was raised, that income is shown as restricted in the statement of financial activities. Expenditure for the specified purposes is shown as restricted fund expenditure. Any unexpended balance at the balance sheet date is carried forward as a restricted income fund.

The Council may, at their discretion, set aside unrestricted funds for specific future purposes. These are shown as designated funds within unrestricted funds. Where such funds are no longer required for the intended purposes, they are released to general funds.

Cashflow statement

No statement of cash or funds flow is presented as the Council do not believe such a statement adds to the understanding of the Society's transactions and its present financial position.

Investments

Investments are shown at market value.

The Society purchased 943.36 COIF Investment Fund shares on 14 May 1998 at a cost of £10,000.

At 1 January 2022	£ 19,374
Unrealised loss on year	£ 2,252
Value at 31 December 2022	£ 17,121

This investment pays quarterly dividends which are paid directly into the COIF deposit account. These dividends totalled £432 (£501 in 2021) on the year, a better rate of return than the COIF deposit account.

Council

Members of the Council who are Trustees do not receive any remuneration. No expenses were refunded to Council members in 2022.

Grants

There were 28 Conference bursaries awarded in 2022, awarded to:

- Benjamin-Samuel Schlüter
- Brian Buh
- Damith Chathuranga
- Micol Morellini
- Grace Chang
- Hampton Gaddy
- Ignacio Franco Vega
- Joan Damiens
- Joe Strong
- Kristijan Fidanovski
- Kuoshi Hu
- Mallika Snyder
- Marco Santacroce
- Mary Abed Al Ahad
- Mengxing Ma
- Michaela Kyclova
- Michaela Šedovič
- Momoko Nishikido
- Muter Magda
- Orsola Torrisi
- Payal Hathi
- Rosanna Le Voir
- Sally Sonia Simmons
- Thiago Leite Cruz
- Xizi Luo
- Yiyang Gao
- Yu-Chin Her
- Zuzana Dancikova

There was no LMIC visitor.

There were two international travel awards in the year of £250 each:

- Hampton Gaddy (University of Oxford)
- Joe Strong (LSE)

No grants were made for any other purposes.

Salaries

The Society covers the costs involved in administering the conference and other activities.

In 2022 total salary costs were as follows:

General salaries, including NI costs	£4,500
Conference salaries, including NI costs	£4,000

against which a grant of £8,500 was made by the PIC to the BSPS.

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BRITISH SOCIETY FOR POPULATION STUDIES

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

Subject to the limitations upon the scope of our work in connection with our examination, we can confirm that:-

This is a report in respect of an examination carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 in accordance with general directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act which may be applicable and that no matter has come to our attention in connection with our examination which would not give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity as at 31 December 2022

DATE 30/8/2023



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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES

We, as Trustees, approve the accounts, which consist of the Income and Expenditure Account, Statement of Financial activity (SOFA) and the Balance sheet and we acknowledge our responsibility for the accounts.

Signed Alice Reid

Date 4 September 2023

Trustee ALICE REID

Signed Lee Williamson

Date 12 September 2023

Trustee Lee Williamson

BSPS Statement of financial activity 2022

Income	General	Conference 2022	Total	
			2022	2021 a/c
Grants: Adelphi Genetics		£1,500.00	£1,500.00	£0.00
PIC	£4,500.00	£4,000.00	£8,500.00	£8,500.00
Membership subscriptions	£5,283.00		£5,283.00	£8,414.00
Investment income	£1,016.00		£1,016.00	£507.00
Sundries	£0.00		£0.00	£0.00
Conference registration		£29,904.00	£29,904.00	£0.00
Conference accommodation		<u>£20,987.00</u>	£20,987.00	<u>£0.00</u>
	<u>£10,799.00</u>	<u>£56,391.00</u>	<u>£67,190.00</u>	<u>£17,421.00</u>

Expenditure	General	Conference 2022	Total	
			2022	2021
Secretariat	£4,500.00	£4,000.00	£8,500.00	£8,500.00
Postage	£0.00		£0.00	£0.00
Telephone	£84.00		£84.00	£70.00
Printing/stationery	£63.00		£63.00	£64.00
Day meetings	£0.00		£0.00	£0.00
Meeting contribution	£0.00		£0.00	£0.00
Council expenses	£0.00		£0.00	£0.00
Audit	£510.00		£510.00	£510.00
Travel grants	£500.00		£500.00	£0.00
Popfest	£0.00		£0.00	£0.00
BSPS Prize	£300.00		£300.00	£400.00
LMIC initiative	£0.00		£0.00	£0.00
AcSS membership	£300.00		£300.00	£300.00
Poster Prize		£100.00	£100.00	£0.00
Conference expenses		£5,287.00	£5,287.00	£5,488.00
Conference accommodation		£38,994.00	£38,994.00	£0.00
Conference student bursaries		£4,725.00	£4,725.00	£0.00
Conference plenary speakers		£135.00	£135.00	£0.00
Sundries	£0.00		£0.00	£101.00
Domain name renewal		<u>£0.00</u>	£0.00	<u>£0.00</u>
	<u>£6,257.00</u>	<u>£53,241.00</u>	<u>£59,498.00</u>	<u>£15,433.00</u>

BSPS Statement of financial activity 2022

	General	Conference 2022 a/c	Conference 2021 a/c	2022	2021
Incoming resources					
Grants: Adelphi Genetics		£1,500.00		£1,500.00	£0.00
Grants: Galton Institute	£4,500.00	£4,000.00		£8,500.00	£8,500.00
PIC	£5,283.00			£5,283.00	£8,414.00
Membership subscriptions	1016			£1,016.00	£507.00
Investment income	0			£0.00	£0.00
Sundries				£0.00	£0.00
Conference registration		£29,904.00		£29,904.00	£0.00
Conference accommodation		<u>£20,987.00</u>		£20,987.00	£0.00
	<u>£10,799.00</u>	<u>£56,391.00</u>		<u>£67,190.00</u>	<u>£17,421.00</u>
Resources expended					
Own activities	£6,257.00	£53,241.00		£59,499.00	£15,433.00
Net Income/Expenditure					
Net resources for year	£4,542.00	£3,149.00		£7,691.00	£1,988.00
Transfers between funds	-£5,488.00		-£5,488.00		£0.00
Other gains (losses) recognised	<u>-£2,252.00</u>			-£2,252.00	<u>£2,416.00</u>
Net movement in funds	<u>-£3,198.00</u>	<u>£3,149.00</u>	<u>-£5,488.00</u>	<u>£5,439.00</u>	<u>£4,404.00</u>
Balance at 31/12/21	£117,917.00		-£5,488.00	£112,429.00	£108,025.00
Balance at 31/12/22	£114,719.00	£3,149.00		£117,869.00	<u>£112,429.00</u>

BSPS Statement of financial activity 2022

	2022	2022	2021 a/c	2021
Investments				
COIF shares		£17,121.00		£19,374.00
Current Assets				
NatWest Bank				
Current account	£50,273.00		£46,866.00	
Santander	£2,013.00		£2,013.00	
Cash in Hand	£28.00		£28.00	
COIF Deposit Account	£52,943.00		£51,922.00	
Sundry Debtors	£1,236.00		£42.00	
	<u>£106,493.00</u>		<u>£100,871.00</u>	
		£123,614.00		£120,245.00
Less: Sundry Creditors	£5,746.00		£7,816.00	
Net current assets		<u>£117,868.00</u>		<u>£112,429.00</u>
Represented By:				
General Fund		£114,719.00		£117,917.00
2021 Conference account				-£5,488.00
2022 Conference Account		£3,149.00		
		<u>£117,868.00</u>		<u>£112,429.00</u>