

BRITISH HEART RHYTHM SOCIETY  
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 273307

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND**  
**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED**  
**31-May-23**  
**FOR**  
**BRITISH HEART RHYTHM SOCIETY**

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<u>Trustees</u>	<u>Appointed</u>	<u>Removal</u>
Dr Alistair Slade	01/06/2014	
Cristiana Monteiro	05/10/2021	
Catherine Laventure	05/10/2020	
Stephen Murray	01/10/2020	
Dr Pier Lambaise	01/10/2020	
Dr Vivienne Ezzat	01/10/2020	
Jason Collinson	01/10/2016	05/10/2022
Holly Daw	05/10/2019	05/10/2022
Angela Hall	05/10/2019	05/10/2022
Dr Paul Foley	01/10/2019	
Dr Ross Hunter	01/10/2019	
Dr Ashley Nisbet	01/10/2019	
Ian James Wright	01/10/2016	05/10/2022
Sarah Clarke	Trustee	01/10/2019
Claire O'Neill	Trustee	01/10/2019
Dr Joseph de Bono	Trustee	09/10/2018
Eleri Gregory	Trustee	06/10/2018
Dr John Paisey	05/10/2017	
Amy Dutton	05/10/2022	
Philip Durkin	05/10/2022	
Chloe Howard	05/10/2022	
Bridgette Smith	05/10/2022	
Anya Murray	05/10/2022	
Honey Thomas	Trustee	25/09/2023
Sophie Robinson	Trustee	25/09/2023

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

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**BRITISH HEART RHYTHM SOCIETY**  
**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2023**

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 May 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015).

**OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

**Objectives and aims**

The British Heart Rhythm Society (BHRS) is dedicated to improving all aspects of arrhythmia care and electrical device-based therapies, along with uniting those professionals involved. The BHRS is a charitable society supporting clinical staff treating patients with cardiac rhythm disorders. Its mission is to support their members in their aim of providing care of the highest quality to all patients with cardiac rhythm disorders. The BHRS is dedicated to improving arrhythmia care and electrical device-based therapies by facilitating education and training to its members. The intention of the BHRS is to promote diversity and improved technology within the arrhythmia field.

**Significant activities**

The British Heart Rhythm Society hosted its annual general meeting in October 2022 remotely via Zoom with good attendance.

BHRS worked with Explain my Procedure to produce an animation for patients to explain how remote monitoring of implantable cardiac devices (pacemakers, defibrillators) work to support the increasing utilisation of remote monitoring which has been significantly impacted since the Covid pandemic.

The BHRS announced official disengagement from the Heart Rhythm Congress and subsequently supported the October 2022 meeting for the last time.

As a result of this desegregation, in order to provide the BHRS members with relevant, high standards of education, a BHRS Education Committee was formed of various multidisciplinary members including physicians, physiologists, nurses and trainees. The new committee organised an incredibly successfully symposium in March 2023 at the Royal College of Physicians, London for experienced professionals working in arrhythmia and device cardiology with state-of-the-art updates across the field. Over 200 senior professionals attended and the meeting was met with high praise.

The Arrhythmia Nurse Competency document was released which offers a comprehensive guidance for Arrhythmia Nurses and presents a wide range and scope of relevant competencies for nurses working in diverse areas and specialty services, within heart rhythm management.

Several webinars were hosted free of charge for BHRS members to support those wishing to achieve BHRS accreditation, those in training and those wishing to enhance their knowledge in their area of expertise. Monthly electrocardiogram case studies are published by the BHRS engaging with members over various communication platforms including social media.

The BHRS membership has continued to grow mainly influenced by the requirement of membership to sit the BHRS exam or for reaccreditation. This is recognised as an important element leading to career progression for allied health professionals, particularly cardiac physiologists. The BHRS is committed to continue to demonstrate the value of being a member of the professional society for heart rhythm.

Research is an important activity that is supported by BHRS. The BHRS Multicentre Trial Group continues to meet to discuss and support research proposals across the UK. BHRS has formal representation on the British Cardiovascular Society Academic & Research Committee and is part of the UK Cardiovascular trials funding application to the British Heart Foundation.

BHRS continues to support Audit and the collection of data on both device and ablation procedures. This is submitted by all centres to NICOR and is supported in the BHRS standards documents for both cardiac implantable devices and cardiac ablation.

## Public benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty under Section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

## Volunteers

The Charity utilises volunteers to assist in their work.

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2023

## FINANCIAL REVIEW

### Reserves policy

The reserves policy was amended to maintain a minimum of £45,000 in the bank current account as a reserve to meet any unforeseen expenditure requirements. The Trustees are satisfied that the organisation continues to expand its activities in pursuit of its agreed missions and that the use of the Charity's resources has been sensible and effective. The Trustees consider the current level of unrestricted reserves to be adequate.

### Operating and Financial Review

During the year, the Charity's total incoming resources was £156,728. Expenditure for the year was £177,662. The Charity's net income for the year was -£20,934 and the total funds carried forward were £197,372.

The Trustees are satisfied that the organisation continues to expand its activities in pursuit of its agreed missions and that the use of the Charity's resources has been sensible and effective. The trustees have carried out an assessment and are happy that the charity is a going concern.

## STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

### Governing Document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

### Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The management of the charity is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Trust deed. There must at all times be a minimum of three Trustees in office. The first Trustees are entitled to hold office for life. New Trustees are appointed by a resolution passed by the Trustees in special meeting.

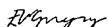
### Organisational Structure

The activities of British Heart Rhythm Society (BHRS) are organised by the Council of this group (see list of Trustees).

### Induction and training of new trustees

New Trustees undergo an orientation process to brief them on their legal obligations under charity law, the charity's governing documents, the committee and decision making process, the business plan and recent financial performance of the charity. During the induction process they meet key employees and other trustees. Trustees are encouraged to attend appropriate external and internal training events which will assist them in carrying out their role.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 18/04/24 and signed on its behalf by:



Eleri Gregory

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TRUSTEE

**BRITISH HEART RHYTHM SOCIETY**  
**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF**  
**BRITISH HEART RHYTHM SOCIETY**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of British Heart Rhythm Society report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the British Heart Rhythm Society (the Trust) for the year ended 31 May 2023.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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:

Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or

The accounts do not accord with those records; or

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.

*Jacqueline Ford*

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29 Apr 2024

Date: .....

**BRITISH HEART RHYTHM SOCIETY**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2023**

		2023 Unrestricted Fund £	2022 Total Funds £
<b>Income and Endowment From</b>	<b>Notes</b>		
Other Trading Activities	2	156,728	206,963
<b>Total</b>		156,728	206,963
<b>Expenditure On</b>			
Charitable Activities	3		
Cost of Generating Funds		177,662	102,318
Other		-	-
<b>Total</b>		177,662	102,318
<b>Net Income/(Expenditure)</b>		(20,934)	104,645
<b>Reconciliation of Funds</b>			
<b>Total Funds Brought Forward</b>		218,306	113,661
<b>Total Funds Carried Forward</b>		197,372	218,306



**BRITISH HEART RHYTHM SOCIETY**  
**BALANCE SHEET as at 31st May 2023**

		2023 Unrestricted Fund £	2022 Total Funds £
<b>Current Assets</b>	<b>Notes</b>		
Debtors		7,240	-
Cash at Bank		<u>191,721</u>	<u>229,886</u>
		198,961	229,886
<b>Creditors</b>			
Amount falling due within one year	8	- 1,589.20	(11,580)
		<u>197,372</u>	<u>218,306</u>
<b>Net Current Assets</b>			
		197,372	218,306
<b>Total Assets Less Current Liabilities</b>			
		197,372	218,306
<b>Net Assets</b>		<u>197,372</u>	<u>218,306</u>
<b>Funds</b>	9		
Unrestricted Funds		197,372	218,306
<b>Total Funds</b>		<u>197,372</u>	<u>218,306</u>

**BRITISH HEART RHYTHM SOCIETY**

**YEAR ENDED 31ST MAY 2023**

**Notes to the financial statements**

2	2023 Unrestricted Fund £	2022 Total Funds £
<b>Other Trading Activities</b>		
Conference, exam fees & sponsorship	95,285	46,630
Subscriptions	60,369	56,256
Donations and Grants	1,074	104,077
	<u>156,728</u>	<u>206,963</u>

3	Direct Costs (see Note 4) £	Support Costs (See Note 5) £	Totals £
<b>Charitable Activities Costs</b>			
Cost of Generating Funds	<u>174,864</u>	<u>2,798</u>	<u>177,662</u>

4	2023 Unrestricted Fund £	2022 Total Funds £
<b>Direct Costs of Charitable Activities</b>		
Conference and Examination	72,598	28,569
Council Meeting Expenses	17,077	232
Insurance	571	558
Sundry Expenses	1,161	917
Admin Charges and Accountancy	66,562	69,218
Website Costs	16,895	
<b>Total</b>	<u>174,864</u>	<u>99,493</u>

**BRITISH HEART RHYTHM SOCIETY**  
**YEAR ENDED 31ST MAY 2023**  
**Notes to the financial statements**

			Totals
5	Finance	Governance Costs	
<b>Support Costs</b>	£	£	£
Other Resources Expended	1748	1,050	2,798
Cost of Generating Funds			-
	<u>1748</u>	<u>1,050</u>	<u>2,798</u>

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**Trustees remuneration and benefits**

There were no trustee remuneration or other benefits in the year ended 31st May 2023.

7		<b>Office Equipment £</b>
<b>Tangible Fixed Assets</b>		
<b>Costs</b>		
At 1st June 2021 and 31st May 2022		570
<b>Depreciation</b>		
At 1st June 2021 and 31st May 2022		570
<b>Net Book Value</b>		
At 1st June 2021 and 31st May 2022		<u>-</u>

8	<b>2023 Unrestricted Fund £</b>	<b>2022 Total Funds £</b>
<b>Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year</b>		
Trade Creditors	599	10,740
Other Creditors	<u>990</u>	<u>840</u>
	<u>1,589</u>	<u>11,580</u>

**BRITISH HEART RHYTHM SOCIETY**

**YEAR ENDED 31ST MAY 2023**

**Notes to the financial statements**

	Net Movement in		At
9	At 1.6.2022	funds	31.5.2023
<b>Movements in Funds</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>			
General Fund	218,306	(20,934)	197,372
<b>Total Funds</b>	<u>218,306</u>	<u>(20,934)</u>	<u>197,372</u>

Net Movement in funds, included in above are as follows:

	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Movement
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	in funds
<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>			
General Fund	156,728	(177,662)	(20,934)
<b>Total Funds</b>	<u>156,728</u>	<u>(177,662)</u>	<u>(20,934)</u>

**Comparatives for movement in funds**

	Net movement in		At
	At 1.6.2021	funds	31.5.2022
<b>Movements in Funds</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>			
General Fund	113,661	104,645	218,306
<b>Total Funds</b>	<u>113,661</u>	<u>104,645</u>	<u>218,306</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows

	Incoming Resources	resources expended	Movement
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	in funds
<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>			
General Fund	206,963	(102,318)	104,645
<b>Total Funds</b>	<u>206,963</u>	<u>(102,318)</u>	<u>104,645</u>

**BRITISH HEART RHYTHM SOCIETY**  
**YEAR ENDED 31ST MAY 2023**  
**Notes to the financial statements**

**9. Movement in Funds - Continued**

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position as follows:

	At 1.6.2021	Net movement in funds	At 31.5.2023
	£	£	£
<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>			
General Fund	113,661	83,711	197,372
<b>Total Funds</b>	<u>113,661</u>	<u>83,711</u>	<u>197,372</u>

A Current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Movement in Funds
	£	£	£
<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>			
General Fund	363,691	(279,980)	83,711
<b>Total Funds</b>	<u>363,691</u>	<u>(279,980)</u>	<u>83,711</u>

**11. Reimbursed Expenses and Indemnity Cover**

£2861 in expenses have been reimbursed to 8 trustees during the year.

All travel expenses are checked and adhere to the expenses policy .

The charity's insurance provides trustee indemnity cover.

**12. Related party disclosure**

There are no related party transactions in the reporting period which require disclosure

**BRITISH HEART RHYTHM SOCIETY**  
**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 May 2023**

	2023 £	2022 £
<b>Income and Endowments</b>		
<b>Other Trading Activities</b>		
Conference, exam fees & Sponsorship	95,285	46,630
Subscriptions	60,369	56,256
Donations and grants	1,074	104,077
	<u>156,728</u>	<u>206,963</u>
<b>Total Incoming Resources</b>	156,728	206,963
<b>Expenditure</b>		
<b>Charitable Activities</b>		
Conference and Examination	72,598	28,569
Council Expenses	17,077	232
Insurance	571	558
Sundry expenses	1,161	917
Admin charges	83,458	69,218
	<u>174,864</u>	<u>99,493</u>
<b>Other</b>		
Depreciation of Office Equipment	-	-
<b>Support Costs</b>		
<b>Finance</b>		
Bank Charges	1,748	1,805
<b>Governance Costs</b>		
Independent examiner's fee	1,050	1,020
	<u>177,662</u>	<u>102,318</u>
<b>Total Resources expended</b>	177,662	102,318
<b>Net Income (expenditure)</b>	<u>(20,934)</u>	<u>104,645</u>



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