

Charity registration number 273365

BRITISH SOCIETY OF PAEDIATRIC DENTISTRY
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

BRITISH SOCIETY OF PAEDIATRIC DENTISTRY

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees	Dr Urshla Devalia Ms Jennifer Harris	(Resigned 12 September 2024)
	Dr Hannah Walsh Prof Christopher Vernazza Dr David Johnson Prof Paula Waterhouse Dr Shannu Bhatia Dr Fiona Sotir Dr Rachael Nichol	(Appointed 12 September 2024)
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TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

The Trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the Trust's constitution, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)".

Objectives and activities

The primary objective of the British Society of Paediatric Dentistry (BSPD) is to advocate for high-quality and accessible oral health care for children and young people from birth to sixteen in the United Kingdom. This mission is carried out through various initiatives and engagements with the dental profession, political decision-makers, and other special interest groups.

Key activities for the year include:

1. Educational Meetings and Professional Development: The 13 regional branches have organized numerous educational meetings and study days to further the Society's objectives and provide continuing professional development for its members. These events have been pivotal in disseminating current knowledge and best practices in paediatric dentistry.
2. Annual National Conference: The National Conference continues to be a significant event, drawing substantial attendance from members and attracting sponsorship from dental companies. This event provides a platform for sharing research, innovations, and advancements in the field of paediatric dentistry.
3. Awards and Bursaries: The Society awarded the Max Horsnell Travel Bursary and Student Elective Prize as well as the BSPD Outstanding Innovation Award. Regional branches also support and fund various local prizes, encouraging excellence in paediatric dentistry.

The Trustees have adhered to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission in determining the activities undertaken by the Trust.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

Achievements and performance

During the past year, BSPD has achieved significant milestones in various strategic domains:

1. **Wellbeing and Safeguarding:** The Society has promoted good safeguarding practices within the dental profession, supported training and research, and campaigned for a reduction in oral health inequalities.
2. **Oral Health Advice:** High-quality, evidence-based resources for patients and carers have been developed, ensuring they are child-friendly, inclusive and accessible. The involvement of children in the co-design and co-production of these resources has been actively encouraged.
3. **Preventive Philosophy:** BSPD has championed prevention-based oral health initiatives, promoted measures to address oral health inequalities, and collaborated with other healthcare agencies to raise awareness about the importance of children's oral health.
4. **Policy and Advocacy:** The Society has engaged at the highest levels in the reconfiguration and transformation of dental services, supported oral health improvement initiatives, and worked with health and social care bodies to highlight the integral role of oral health in overall health.
5. **Professional Development:** National guidelines and curricula have been contributed to, supporting the teaching, training, and continuous development of a high-quality dental workforce. A programme of continuing professional development has been delivered through scientific conferences and branch meetings.
6. **Research and Evidence:** BSPD has initiated and supported national quality improvement projects, promoted collaborative research, and campaigned for high-quality national surveys related to children's oral health.
7. **Membership and Advocacy:** Efforts have been made to ensure the dental profession is aware of BSPD's purpose and benefits of membership. The Society has communicated key messages to diverse audiences and delivered an Annual Scientific Conference showcasing members' work.

Financial review

The Society remains in a sound financial position, with membership standing at approximately 769 members. The income and expenditure details are provided in the financial statements. Funds are held as cash, managed through a National account and individual regional branch accounts. The performance of these accounts is regularly reviewed to ensure financial stability.

The policy remains to keep reserves sufficient to cover two years of running costs for the Society.

Plans for future periods

Looking ahead, the Society plans to continue its commitment to improving children's oral health in the United Kingdom. This will involve ongoing advocacy, professional development, research support, and community engagement to ensure high standards of paediatric dental care.

Structure, governance and management

The charity is governed by its constitution, with any amendments requiring agreement by the membership at an AGM and approval by the Charity Commission of England & Wales. The constitution stipulates a minimum of three trustees, forming the Society's Executive, including the President, Honorary Secretary, and Honorary Treasurer. Other key members include the Past President, Vice-President, Vice-President Designate, Honorary Membership Secretary, and the Honorary Editor of the International Journal of Paediatric Dentistry.

Trustees and executive members serve varying terms, with a structured process for nominations and elections at the AGM. A risk management register is maintained to identify and review potential risks to the Society annually.

This report reflects our ongoing dedication to advancing paediatric oral health and supporting the dental profession in achieving these goals.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

The Trustees who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

Dr Urshla Devalia

Ms Jennifer Harris

(Resigned 12 September 2024)

Dr Hannah Walsh

Prof Christopher Vernazza

Dr David Johnson

Prof Paula Waterhouse

Dr Shannu Bhatia

Dr Fiona Sotir

Dr Rachael Nichol

(Appointed 12 September 2024)

The Trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.



Dr David Johnson

Trustee

28 October 2025

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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Trust and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the Trust for that year.

In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

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

The Trustees are responsible for keeping sufficient accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Trust and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Trust and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF BRITISH SOCIETY OF PAEDIATRIC DENTISTRY

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the financial statements of British Society of Paediatric Dentistry (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act 2011.

Independent examiner's statement

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

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Charities Act 2011; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of financial statements set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the financial statements 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 financial statements to be reached.

Neil.S.Young CA



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144 Nethergate
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Dated: 28 October 2025

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
Income from:							
Donations and legacies	3	53,623	-	53,623	54,932	-	54,932
Charitable activities	4	121,686	-	121,686	94,884	-	94,884
Total income		175,309	-	175,309	149,816	-	149,816
Expenditure on:							
Charitable activities	5	148,207	-	148,207	141,891	300	142,191
Total expenditure		148,207	-	148,207	141,891	300	142,191
Net income and movement in funds		27,102	-	27,102	7,925	(300)	7,625
Reconciliation of funds:							
Fund balances at 1 April 2024		293,483	4,100	297,583	285,558	4,400	289,958
Fund balances at 31 March 2025		320,585	4,100	324,685	293,483	4,100	297,583

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	2025 £	£	2024 £	£
Current assets					
Debtors	9	39,292		2,914	
Cash at bank and in hand		306,412		296,249	
		<u>345,704</u>		<u>299,163</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	(21,019)		(1,580)	
Net current assets			<u>324,685</u>		<u>297,583</u>
The funds of the Trust					
Restricted income funds	11		4,100		4,100
Unrestricted funds	12		320,585		293,483
			<u>324,685</u>		<u>297,583</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 28 October 2025



Dr David Johnson
Trustee

BRITISH SOCIETY OF PAEDIATRIC DENTISTRY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

The Charity is a registered charity in England and Wales, and is unincorporated. The address of the principal office is 45 The Avenue, Watford, Hertfordshire, London. WD17 4NU.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Trust's constitution, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)". The Trust is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The Trust has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure has involved following the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102 rather than the version of the Statement of Recommended Practice which is referred to in the Regulations but which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the Trust. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Trust has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors or grantors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the Trust is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the Trust has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the Trust has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

Donations and legacies received for general purposes of the Charity are included as unrestricted funds. Donations and legacies for activities restricted by the terms of the donation are taken to restricted funds where these wishes are legally binding on the Trustees.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

Investment income and bank interest is included in the year in which it is receivable.

1.5 Expenditure

All expenditure is included on an accruals basis. The Charity is not registered for VAT and accordingly expenditure is shown gross of irrecoverable VAT. The allocation of expenditure follows the policies below:

Costs of charitable activity comprise all the resources applied by the charity in undertaking its work to meet its charitable objectives, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity

1.6 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.7 Financial instruments

The Trust has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the Trust's balance sheet when the Trust becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the Trust's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1 Accounting policies (Continued)

1.8 Employee benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the Trust is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

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

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

3 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Donations and gifts	4,000	3,340
Membership fees	49,623	51,592
	<u>53,623</u>	<u>54,932</u>

4 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Charitable Income		
Study Day Income	14,221	14,692
Journal Income	87,145	53,214
Conference Surplus	19,818	24,396
Other income	502	2,582
	<u>121,686</u>	<u>94,884</u>

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5 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Total Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2024 £
Direct costs		
Branch Meetings	45,166	34,313
Cost of Wiley IJPD	23,670	22,890
Website Costs	3,389	3,021
Media Support	42,487	37,752
Bank Charges	274	343
Donations	500	1,200
Independent Examiner's Fee	1,650	1,580
Miscellaneous	1,129	2,374
Administering the Charity	19,369	18,990
Translation Services	-	402
Leaflets	-	2,700
RCS Pump Priming Grant	9,973	13,973
Legal Fees	600	600
Rights of the Child Factsheet Poster	-	2,053
	<u>148,207</u>	<u>142,191</u>
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	148,207	141,891
Restricted funds	-	300
	<u>148,207</u>	<u>142,191</u>

6 Trustees

None of the Trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the Trust during the year.

7 Taxation

The charity is exempt from taxation on its activities because all its income is applied for charitable purposes.

8 Heritage assets

The BSPD National body owns the following assets:

Presidential jewel, gavel and block valued at £7,933. (2024 £1,400). A revaluation of these assets was obtained in the year.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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9 Debtors

	2025 £	2024 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade debtors	2,914	2,914
Prepayments and accrued income	36,378	-
	<u>39,292</u>	<u>2,914</u>

10 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025 £	2024 £
Accruals and deferred income	<u>21,019</u>	<u>1,580</u>

11 Restricted funds

The restricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used.

	Balance at 1 April 2023 £	Resources expended £	Balance at 1 April 2024 £	Movement in funds Resources Expended 31 March 2025 £	Balance at 31 March 2025 £
Jane Goodman Prize	<u>4,400</u>	<u>(300)</u>	<u>4,100</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,100</u>

12 Unrestricted funds

The unrestricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants which are not subject to specific conditions by donors and grantors as to how they may be used. These include designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes.

	At 1 April 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	At 31 March 2025 £
General funds	<u>293,483</u>	<u>175,309</u>	<u>(148,207)</u>	<u>320,585</u>
Previous year:	At 1 April 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	At 31 March 2024 £
General funds	<u>285,558</u>	<u>149,816</u>	<u>(141,891)</u>	<u>293,483</u>

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13 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
	2025	2025	2025	2024	2024
	£	£	£	£	£
Fund balances at 31 March 2025 are represented by:					
Current assets/(liabilities)	320,585	4,100	324,685	293,483	297,583
	<u>320,585</u>	<u>4,100</u>	<u>324,685</u>	<u>293,483</u>	<u>297,583</u>

14 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2024 - none).