

FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

England & Wales · Charity number 274727

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 1977-08-31

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

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Activities

Objects: THE PROMOTION AND DEVELOPMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND TO BRING ABOUT THE GREATER EFFICIENCY OF THE INDUSTRY OF THE UNITED KINGDOM. THE PROMOTION OF RESEARCH IN FURTHERANCE OF THE ABOVE OBJECTS AND THE PUBLICATION OF THE USEFUL RESULTS OF ANY SUCH RESEARCH.

Activities: The Foundation is a neutral body set up to facilitate debate on policy issues that have a science, engineering, technology or medical element. The Foundation publishes a journal and a website that communicates to the public the outcomes of the debates - see www.foundation.org.uk . The Foundation also provides guidance to learned and professional societies.

Classification

- **How:** Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Education/training, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Northern Ireland
- Scotland
- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£328,137	£346,492	-	-
2023-12-31	£294,326	£300,663	-	-
2022-12-31	£302,452	£331,409	-	-
2021-12-31	£303,844	£281,228	-	-
2020-12-31	£280,638	£290,366	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Daniel Shah		2024-07-10
Dr Horia Alexandru Maior		2022-11-16
Dr Julia Katherine Maxton		2019-07-23
Dr Sarah Main		2019-07-23
JOHN STUART NEILSON		2018-05-02
Jonathan Neale		2022-08-26
Lord Ajay Kumar Kakkar		2021-03-24
Stephen Michael Wedgwood Benn		2022-05-17
The Rt Hon the Lord David Willetts FRS		2018-12-05

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THE FOUNDATION
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**TRUSTEES REPORT
AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

Registered CIO No. 031049
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FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

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FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
CHARITY INFORMATION AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

CHARITY INFORMATION

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FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY TRUSTEES REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

The Trustees present the forty-fifth annual report and unaudited financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2024. The legal and administrative information set out on page 1 forms part of this Report. The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Constitution, 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 (issued January 2019).

The objects of the charitable incorporated organisation are:

- (a) The promotion and development of science and technology and to bring about the greater efficiency of the industry of the United Kingdom; and
- (b) The promotion of research in furtherance of the above object and the publication of the useful results of any such research.

In order to achieve the above objects, the Foundation's main activity is the organising of discussion events in an impartial forum for representatives of both Houses of Parliament, officials from Whitehall and the Devolved Administrations, business leaders, academics and others to debate policy issues with a scientific, engineering, technological or medical element. Events are filmed and videos of speakers, presentation slides and debate reports are uploaded to a website (www.foundation.org.uk), and social media is used to communicate the content of the discussion events to as wide a range of people as possible. A Journal, published three times a year, a weekly blog and a weekly podcast are used to explore the issues in further depth. The Foundation also runs a Future Leaders Scheme, for a cadre of mid-career professionals from the civil service, industry and academia. Separately, the Foundation publishes guidelines and newsletters to assist learned and professional societies to improve their governance and their administrative efficiency, and to advise them individually on such matters.

REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES

Ten discussion events were organised on a wide range of themes including quantum technologies, research integrity, industrial strategy, fusion, and the regulation of AI. In addition, the Foundation organised three invitation-only roundtables and co-organised a science and technology election hustings event.

Year 5 of the Foundation Future Leaders Scheme ran from January to December 2024, with a cohort of 35 mid-career professionals from universities, industry, the civil service and others, involved in a programme of meetings (in-person and online), visits, events, and a one-day conference in Birmingham. A sixth cohort of Future Leaders was recruited at the end of 2024 for a programme of activities in 2025.

In January 2024, the Foundation recruited a permanent Communications Officer (0.6 FTE) for the first time, Charlotte Raynsford. Charlotte has taken over the work we previously contracted out to a production editor for the Journal, plus the social media work for which we previously employed student intern. She has professionalised and now leads our communications activities. As part of this, we have recorded and released 25 episodes of the FST Podcast in 2024, with a range of guests from across government, industry, academia and beyond. There were 6,521 individual listens to the podcast during 2024. The Foundation also published a number of blogs. Together, the podcasts and blogs have added a greater exploration and set of perspectives to the issues being discussed in the main events, as well as giving opportunities to discuss other issues. The Foundation also produced three copies of the FST Journal in 2024, reporting on the discussion events and activities of our work, and it continued to use social media actively to draw people to its content online.

The Foundation's previous Learned and Professional Society Officer, Keith Lawrey, retired in February 2024 after more than 25 years working for the Foundation. The Trustees would like to record their huge thanks to him for his many years of service. The Foundation recruited Lori Frecker to replace Keith, and she has continued his work, providing guidance to a large number of societies on issues of governance, regulation and best practice, and produced regular newsletters.

The Foundation is grateful to the Society of Operations Engineers for leasing office space at 22 Greencoat Place.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Foundation raises funds from grant giving bodies, sponsorship of events and from subscriptions from Associate Members and Learned Society Members, along with a donation from an individual. The trustees are most grateful to the many companies, organisations and departments who support the work of the Foundation.

Donations and sponsorship totalling £133,717 (2023: £120,718) were made to the Foundation from The Royal Society, UKRI, The Academy of Medical Sciences, the Peter Jost Memorial Trust and others. Subscriptions totalled £180,361 (2023: £172,560). Income from Learned Society activities and the Journal was £345 (2023: £8,509).

FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY TRUSTEES REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

FINANCIAL REVIEW (continued)

The net income and expenditure of the Foundation at the year-end was a surplus of £252 (2023: deficit of £4,623) after an unrealised gain on the equity investments of £18,607 (2023 gain: £1,715). The total reserves of the Foundation at the end of the financial year increased from £496,794 to £497,046. Of these, £483,806 (2023: £483,554) were unrestricted and free reserves (unrestricted reserves not tied up in fixed assets) amounted to £483,345 (2023: £482,282).

The ten-year time series of the surplus/(deficit) for each year is shown in the table below.

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Surplus/(deficit) before equity gain or loss	(1,091)	(26,927)	(45,199)	(36,691)	2,680	(9,728)	22,616	(28,957)	(6,338)	(18,355)
Surplus/(deficit)	(1,680)	(12,653)	(30,104)	(67,464)	35,988	(46,214)	65,287	(57,710)	(4,623)	252

CORPORATE AND CHARITABLE STATUS

The Foundation was originally incorporated on 31st August 1977 as a private Company Limited by Guarantee (Registered in England Number 01327814). Authorisation to dispense with the word “Limited” was granted on 1st February 1978, and the Foundation for Science and Technology was also registered as a charity (Registered Charity Number 274727). A Memorandum and Articles of Association were adopted, with periodic updates over the years.

On 30 December 2022, following resolutions passed unanimously by members of the Foundation for Science and Technology at an EGM, the charity "Foundation for Science and Technology" became a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, and as part of this transfer, the associated company “Foundation for Science and Technology” was closed. The Memorandum and Articles of Association were replaced with a new Constitution, following Charity Commission best practice.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

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

Charity law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable incorporated organisation and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

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

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charity’s website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

TRUSTEES REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

GOVERNANCE

The Foundation for Science and Technology is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). It is governed by a Board of Trustees who are appointed for a term of 4 years, normally renewable once.

The Trustee Board meets three or more times a year to oversee the work of the charity and delegate day-to-day management of the Foundation to the Chief Executive, Gavin Costigan. During the year, when members were appointed as a Trustee as part of their induction they were informed of the activities of the Foundation and the working procedure of the Trustees as well as provided with relevant strategy papers and financial statements.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

The Foundation has considered the guidance published on public benefit duties by the Charities Commission and considers that it has delivered public benefit through the aims of the Foundation which are delivered through organising debates about key policy issues while maintaining an impartial platform, by running the Foundation Future Leaders Programme, by publishing podcasts and blogs, and by assisting the administrators of learned and professional societies who through their activities also deliver public benefit. The recordings of meetings and journal reports for the discussion events hosted by the Foundation are widely distributed and freely available to the public on the website (www.foundation.org.uk), as are all podcasts and blogs. The website provides valuable educational material for universities and schools.

RESERVES POLICY

The Trustees reviewed the financial position of the Foundation during the year and judged that the level of reserves is sufficient to underpin the Members' guarantee and to enable the Foundation to commit to the forward programme with confidence, usually before sponsorship or other sources have been arranged or assured and to organise topical events at short notice. Also, adequate financial resources ensure that the Foundation remains independent of, and not reliant on, the financial support of any one organisation or interest. Independence and neutrality are crucial to the fulfilment of the Foundation's charitable objectives.

The May 2018 Trustee Board meeting considered the Reserves Policy in conjunction with the Investment Policy and, in so doing, confirmed the four main purposes of holding financial reserves. These are:

(a) *To ensure the Foundation can cover administrative and operating costs.* The Foundation depends on earning a surplus on sponsorship and on investment income to cover any deficit. Both these sources are unpredictable and can be highly variable, moreover total dependence on sponsorship could on occasion weaken the Foundation's independent position.

(b) *To assure the Foundation's position of independence, and freedom and responsiveness of action.* It is important for the Foundation to be able to organise events which deal with controversial issues, which fail to attract sponsorship or for which sponsorship is intentionally eschewed or which are unexpectedly significant and merit rapid attention. It is equally important that the Foundation is not beholden to any pressure group or other body by reason of its dependence on their financial support. Sufficient financial resources are required for the Trustees to maintain such independence.

(c) *To provide financial headroom for the Foundation to develop its activities for future as well as current members.* The Foundation operates with minimal staff. The current programme absorbs practically all of the Chief Executive's time and any significant developments would call for the commitment of resources to cover extra staff and facilities. Such initiatives might take a year or two to become self-financing and the Foundation could not undertake them unless it could absorb the risk of failure without prejudice to the above purposes. The Foundation serves its members and the wider community; the management of reserves should recognise that future members may wish to pursue new initiatives or priorities and should not unduly restrict such possibilities.

(d) *To provide reassurance for suppliers.* Adequate reserves enable the Foundation to commit itself to activities such as booking event facilities and maintain confidence in its credit worthiness.

At the May 2018 Trustee Board meeting it was agreed that the Foundation should aim to keep a reserve of some £500,000.

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INVESTMENT POWERS AND POLICY

Under the constitution of the Foundation for Science and Technology, operating since 30 December 2022, the Foundation operates to an agreed Investment Policy. The investment policy was agreed in the Foundation's earlier incarnation as a Company Limited by Guarantee.

This is as follows:

1. The investment portfolio should be suitably diversified to mitigate risk, commensurate with the charitable status of the Foundation.
2. The maximum invested in any one commercial bank or building society should not exceed the limit of the savings guarantee of the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS) except for short periods to meet operational requirements.
3. Working capital in immediate access accounts including cash held by the payroll provider should not normally exceed £180,000.
4. Remaining funds, which are expected to be held for five years or more, are invested in a diversified portfolio of investment funds in line with an agreed risk level. The balance between UK/World, sectors and specific funds should be reviewed regularly by the Trustee Board.

TRUSTEE BOARD MEMBERS

The following served on the Trustee Board during the year ended 31 December 2024:

The Rt Hon the Lord Willetts FRS	Chair
Stephen Benn (Viscount Stansgate)	Trustee
Sir Donald Brydon CBE (until 29/10/2024)	Trustee
The Rt Hon Professor The Lord Kakkar PC FMedSci	Trustee
Dr Sarah Main	Trustee
Dr Horia Maior	Trustee
Dame Dr Julie Maxton	Trustee
Jonathan Neale	Trustee
John Neilson	Honorary Treasurer
Daniel Shah (from 10/07/2024)	Trustee
Isobel Stephen (until 27/03/2024)	Trustee

CHIEF EXECUTIVE

The Chief Executive is Gavin Costigan.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The Foundation trustees will continue to pursue the strategy of providing an impartial platform for discussion by Members of both Houses of Parliament, officials from Whitehall and Devolved Administrations, industrialists, academics and others about policy issues of importance and relevance to society involving science, engineering, technology and medicine. Most discussion events will be in-person/online discussions, and the recording posted on the website, with a report following in the FST Journal. Social media will be used to draw people to this material. Further exploration of the issues with a wider group of people will take place via the podcast, which will continue throughout the year. The podcasts, and the blogsite, will also allow exploration of issues beyond the main evening event programme.

Secondly, the Foundation will continue the Foundation Future Leaders Programme, developing knowledge, skills and connections for mid-career researchers from the civil service, industry and academia. It will also develop the alumni network of the Future Leaders.

Thirdly, the Foundation will provide guidance and support to Learned and Professional Society members to improve their governance and their administrative efficiency, and to advise them individually on such matters.

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TRUSTEES REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS (continued)

The Foundation will continue to invite companies, organisations and government bodies to join as Associate Members and will strive to maintain a balance between the interest, size and nature of the organisations represented while meeting a wider obligation to serve society.

By Order of the Trustees

Date: 26 March 2025

The Rt Hon the Lord Willetts FRS
Chair

FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the CIO (CIO number 131049 and charity number 274727) for the year ended 31 December 2024 which are set out on pages 8 to 15.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act').

I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination, I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since the Charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

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:

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 accounting requirements of the Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

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.

Paul Windmill FCA

Dated:

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FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
 STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (Incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account)
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies		67,167	-	3,050	70,217	85,518
Charitable activities						
Sponsorship		63,500	-	-	63,500	35,200
Accreditation fees and subscriptions		180,361	-	-	180,361	172,560
Learned societies activities and journal		345	-	-	345	8,509
Other income from special projects		-	-	-	-	-
Investments						
Listed investment income		12,667	-	-	12,667	12,034
Bank deposit interest		1,022	-	-	1,022	906
Other income		25	-	-	25	99
Total		325,087	-	3,050	328,137	314,826
Expenditure on						
Raising funds		(33,617)	-	-	(33,617)	(28,634)
Charitable activities		(309,825)	-	(3,050)	(312,875)	(292,530)
Total	3	(343,442)	-	(3,050)	(346,492)	(321,164)
Net gains/(losses) on investments	6	18,607	-	-	18,607	1,715
Net income/(expenditure)	2	252	-	-	252	(4,623)
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		252	-	-	252	(4,623)
Retained funds brought forward		483,554	-	13,240	496,794	501,417
Retained funds carried forward		483,806	-	13,240	497,046	496,794

The notes on pages 10 to 15 form part of the financial statements.
 There are no recognised gains and losses other than those stated above.
 There were no discontinued operations in the year.

FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2024 £	2023 £	2023 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	5		461		1,272
Investments	6		<u>381,479</u>		<u>362,872</u>
			381,940		364,144
Current assets					
Debtors	7	16,454		27,029	
Cash at bank - on deposit		32,384		41,688	
- current account		69,679		66,300	
- The Harold Silman Fund		13,240		13,240	
Cash in hand		<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>	
		131,757		148,257	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	<u>(16,651)</u>		<u>(15,607)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>115,106</u>		<u>132,650</u>
Net assets			<u>497,046</u>		<u>496,794</u>
Financed by:					
Funds					
Restricted	9		13,240		13,240
Unrestricted			<u>483,806</u>		<u>483,554</u>
	11,12		<u>497,046</u>		<u>496,794</u>

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The Rt Hon the Lord Willetts FRS - Chair

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Mr J S Neilson - Honorary Treasurer

Dated: 26 March 2025

The notes on pages 10 to 15 form part of the financial statements.

FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

1 Accounting policies

(a) Basis of preparation and assessment of going concern

The financial statements 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. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland issued on 1 January 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland (FRS102).

The charity comprises a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

(b) Income recognition

Income is recognised 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. Income received in advance is deferred until the criteria for recognition are met.

Donations and sponsorship income are recognised when the charity has been notified of the amounts and settlement date. If a donation or sponsorship is given to support a specific event the income is deferred and not recognised until the event has taken place.

(c) Expenditure recognition and allocation of costs

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. All expenses including support costs and governance costs are allocated or apportioned to the applicable expenditure heading.

Direct costs comprise those costs that relate to the delivery of the charities activities or raising funds. These costs are allocated to the activity to which they relate.

Support costs are those costs incurred in support of these activities. Included in support costs are costs incurred in the governance of the charity which are primarily associated with the constitutional and statutory requirements.

Support costs are allocated to activities based on an estimate of staff time on each activity as follows:

Charitable activities - 85% Raising funds - 15%

(d) Depreciation of tangible assets

Items costing more than £500 are capitalised and valued at historic cost. Depreciation is provided on tangible assets at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life. For furniture, furnishings and office equipment a depreciation figure of 20% to 25% per annum on cost is used.

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

1 Accounting policies (continued)

(e) Fixed Asset Investments

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

The statement of financial activity includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluation and disposals throughout the year.

(f) Fund structure

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Designated funds are funds which are set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in note 9 to the financial statements.

2 Net incoming resources

	2024	2023
	£	£
This is stated after charging:		
Independent examiner's fee	4,850	4,650
Depreciation on tangible fixed assets	811	811

3a Total resources expended - current year

	Raising Funds £	Charitable Activities £	2024 £
Direct costs			
Event expenditure	-	(110,807)	(110,807)
Journals and publications	-	(11,576)	(11,576)
Other income from special projects	-	-	-
	-	(122,383)	(122,383)
Support costs			
Rent, rates and services	(2,060)	(11,672)	(13,732)
Salaries and national insurance	(28,140)	(159,457)	(187,597)
Accountancy and bookkeeping fees	(152)	(864)	(1,016)
Printing, computing, stationery, postage and telephone	(1,667)	(9,449)	(11,116)
Insurance	(87)	(496)	(583)
Sundry expenses	(6)	(34)	(40)
Legal expenses	(33)	(184)	(217)
Bank charges	(45)	(254)	(299)
Depreciation	(122)	(689)	(811)
Office move, storage and travel	(470)	(2,666)	(3,136)
Recruitment and training costs	(107)	(605)	(712)
Independent Examiners' fee	(728)	(4,122)	(4,850)
	(33,617)	(190,492)	(224,109)
Total	(33,617)	(312,875)	(346,492)

3b Total resources expended - prior year

	Raising Funds £	Charitable Activities £	2023 £
Direct costs			
Event expenditure	-	(109,400)	(109,400)
Journals and publications	-	(20,879)	(20,879)
Other income from special projects	-	-	-
	-	(130,279)	(130,279)
Support costs			
Rent, rates and services	(1,440)	(8,160)	(9,600)
Salaries and national insurance	(24,593)	(139,359)	(163,952)
Accountancy and bookkeeping fees	(92)	(521)	(613)
Printing, computing, stationery, postage and telephone	(1,199)	(6,790)	(7,989)
Insurance	(77)	(438)	(515)
Legal expenses	(31)	(177)	(208)
Bank charges	(26)	(147)	(173)
Depreciation	(122)	(689)	(811)
Office move costs and travel	(356)	(2,017)	(2,373)
Independent Examiners' fee	(698)	(3,953)	(4,650)
	(28,634)	(162,251)	(190,884)
Total	(28,634)	(292,530)	(321,163)

FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

4 Employee information	2024	2023
	£	£
Staff costs:		
Wages and salaries	115,943	116,407
Social security costs	5,958	6,564
Pension costs	65,696	40,981
	<u>187,597</u>	<u>163,952</u>
The average monthly number of employees during the year based on head count was made up as follows:	No.	No.
Chief Executive	1	1
Office staff	3	3
	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>
Number of employees whose emoluments fell within the following ranges for the year:		
£70,001 - £80,000	1	-
£60,001 - £70,000	-	1
	<u>-</u>	<u>1</u>
Key management salaries (including employer NI & employer pension contributions)	<u>87,673</u>	<u>84,924</u>
 5 Tangible fixed assets		Furniture, Furnishings and Office Equipment
Cost or valuation		£
At 1 January 2024		4,057
Disposals		-
Additions		-
		<u>-</u>
At 31 December 2024		4,057
Depreciation		
At 1 January 2024		2,785
Disposals		-
Charge for the year		811
		<u>811</u>
At 31 December 2024		3,596
Net book value		
At 31 December 2024		<u>461</u>
At 31 December 2023		<u>1,272</u>

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6 Fixed asset investments	Quoted	Unquoted	Total	Total
	£	£	2024	2023
	£		£	£
Market value brought forward	362,872	-	362,872	361,157
Movement on account	-	-	-	-
Net unrealised (losses)/gains	<u>18,607</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>18,607</u>	<u>1,715</u>
Market value carried forward	<u>381,479</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>381,479</u>	<u>362,872</u>
Historical cost at 31 December 2024	<u>255,254</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>255,254</u>	<u>255,254</u>

All investment assets are held within the United Kingdom.

The following investments represent holdings in excess of 5% of the portfolio value at 31 December 2024:

	2024	2023
	£	£
M&G Charifund	207,226	201,961
Black Rock Charities G&I Fund	174,253	160,911
7 Debtors	2024	2023
	£	£
Prepayments and accrued income	3,923	4,060
Other debtors	<u>12,531</u>	<u>22,969</u>
	<u>16,454</u>	<u>27,029</u>
8 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2024	2023
	£	£
Other taxes and social security costs	11,216	10,402
Other creditors	585	605
Accruals and deferred income	<u>4,850</u>	<u>4,600</u>
	<u>16,651</u>	<u>15,607</u>

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9 Restricted funds

Fund	Brought forward	Income	Expenditure	2024
	£	£	£	£
Harold Silman Fund	13,240	-	-	13,240
Specific Events	-	3,050	(3,050)	-
	13,240	3,050	(3,050)	13,240
Prior year				
Fund	Brought forward	Income	Expenditure	2023
	£	£	£	£
Harold Silman Fund	13,240	-	-	13,240
Specific Events	-	20,500	(20,500)	-
	13,240	20,500	(20,500)	13,240

The Harold Silman Fund was established in 1992 to provide support, especially to those from outside London, in travelling to the Foundation's events.

10 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Designated Funds	Total
	£	£	£	£
Current Year				
Tangible assets	461	-	-	461
Investments	381,479	-	-	381,479
Debtors	16,454	-	-	16,454
Cash at bank and in hand	102,063	13,240	-	115,303
Creditors	(16,651)	-	-	(16,651)
	<u>483,806</u>	<u>13,240</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>497,046</u>
Prior year				
Tangible assets	1,272	-	-	1,272
Investments	362,872	-	-	362,872
Debtors	27,029	-	-	27,029
Cash at bank and in hand	107,988	13,240	-	121,228
Creditors	(15,607)	-	-	(15,607)
	<u>483,554</u>	<u>13,240</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>496,794</u>

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11 Transactions with the Trustee Board and related party transactions

During the year the following payments were made to, or on behalf of, the Trustee Board members in respect of accommodation and travel expenses:

	no	2024 amount	no	2023 amount
Expenses reimbursed to the Trustee Board	1	£171	-	-
Expenditure on behalf of the Trustee Board	-	-	-	-

During the year, the charity received grants totalling £44,000 (2023: £42,000) from The Royal Society and incurred event expenditure totalling £88,005 (2023: £75,269) from The Royal Society where one of the trustees is Chief Executive. At the year end there were no amounts outstanding from/to The Royal Society.

During the year, the charity received subscription income of £58,433 (2023: £55,125) from UKRI, where one of the trustees is a board member. At the year end, there were no amounts outstanding from/to UKRI.

12 Prior year movement on funds

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £
Income and endowments from:					
Donations and legacies		65,018	-	20,500	85,518
Charitable activities					-
Sponsorship		35,200	-	-	35,200
Accreditation fees and subscriptions		172,560	-	-	172,560
Learned societies activities and journal		8,509	-	-	8,509
Investments					-
Listed investment income		12,034	-	-	12,034
Bank deposit interest		906	-	-	906
Other income		99	-	-	99
Total		294,326	-	20,500	314,826
Expenditure on					
Raising funds		(28,634)	-	-	(28,634)
Charitable activities		(272,030)	-	(20,500)	(292,530)
Total	3	(300,664)	-	(20,500)	(321,164)
Net gains/(losses) on investments	6	1,715	-	-	1,715
Net income/(expenditure)	2	(4,623)	-	-	(4,623)
Retained funds brought forward		488,177	-	13,240	501,417
Retained funds carried forward		483,554	-	13,240	496,794

13 Operating lease commitments

At 31 December 2024 the Foundation had the following annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases

	2024 £	2023 £
Land and buildings:		
Within one year	18,000	-
Between two and five years	27,145	-
	<u>45,145</u>	<u>-</u>

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**TRUSTEES REPORT
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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

Registered CIO No. 031049
Registered Charity No. 274727

FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

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CHARITY INFORMATION AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

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FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

TRUSTEES REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

The Trustees¹ present the forty-fourth annual report and unaudited financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2023. The legal and administrative information set out on page 1 forms part of this Report. The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Constitution, 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 (issued January 2019).

The objects of the charitable incorporated organisation are:

- (a) The promotion and development of science and technology and to bring about the greater efficiency of the industry of the United Kingdom; and
- (b) The promotion of research in furtherance of the above object and the publication of the useful results of any such research.

In order to achieve the above objects, the Foundation's main activity is the organising of discussion events in an impartial forum for representatives of both Houses of Parliament, officials from Whitehall and the Devolved Administrations, business leaders, academics and others to debate policy issues with a scientific, engineering, technological or medical element. Events are filmed and videos of speakers, presentation slides and debate reports are uploaded to a website (www.foundation.org.uk), and social media is used to communicate the content of the discussion events to as wide a range of people as possible. A Journal, published three times a year, a weekly blog and a weekly podcast are used to explore the issues in further depth. The Foundation also runs a Future Leaders Scheme, for a cadre of mid-career professionals from the civil service, industry and academia. Separately, the Foundation publishes guidelines and newsletters to assist learned and professional societies to improve their governance and their administrative efficiency, and to advise them individually on such matters.

REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES

Discussion events were organised on a wide range of themes including the technical skills gap, net zero, the UK semiconductor strategy and the use of AI in the early detection of disease. Most events have been both in-person and online, with one event online only.

Year 4 of the Foundation Future Leaders Scheme ran from January to December 2023, with a cohort of 34 mid-career professionals from universities, industry, the civil service and others, involved in a programme of meetings (in-person and online), visits, events, and a one-day conference in Central London. A fifth cohort of Future Leaders was recruited at the end of 2023 for a programme of activities in 2024.

The Foundation recorded and released 22 episodes of the FST Podcast in 2023, with a range of guests from across government, industry, academia and beyond. There were 4,996 individual listens to the podcast during 2023. The Foundation also published a number of blogs. Together, the podcasts and blogs have added a greater exploration and set of perspectives to the issues being discussed in the main events, as well as giving opportunities to discuss other issues.

The Foundation produced three copies of the FST Journal in 2023, reporting on the discussion events and activities of our work. The Foundation continued to actively use social media to draw people to its content online.

The Foundation's Learned and Professional Society's Officer continued to provide guidance to a large number of societies on issues of governance, regulation and best practice, and produced regular newsletters.

The Foundation is grateful to the Society of Operations Engineers for leasing office space at 22 Greencoat Place.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Foundation raises funds from grant giving bodies, sponsorship of events and from subscriptions from Associate Members and Learned Society Members, along with a donation from an individual. The trustees are most grateful to the many companies, organisations and departments who support the work of the Foundation.

Donations and sponsorship totalling £120,718 (2022: £109,255) were made to the Foundation from The Royal Society, UKRI, The Academy of Medical Sciences, the Peter Jost Memorial Trust and others. Subscriptions totalled £172,560 (2022: £175,306). Income from Learned Society activities and the Journal was £8,509 (2022: £4,820).

¹ Throughout this document the term Trustees refers to the Trustees and Directors who govern the work of the Foundation for Science and Technology.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW (continued)

The net income and expenditure of the Foundation at the year-end was a deficit of £4,622 (2022: deficit of £57,710) after an unrealised gain on the equity investments of £1,715 (2022 loss: £28,753). The total reserves of the Foundation at the end of the financial year decreased from £501,417 to £496,794. Of these, £483,554 (2022: £488,176) were unrestricted and free reserves (unrestricted reserves not tied up in fixed assets) amounted to £482,282 (2022: £486,094).

The ten-year time series of the surplus/(deficit) for each year is shown in the table below.

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Surplus/(deficit) before equity gain or loss	(8,681)	(1,091)	(26,927)	(45,199)	(36,691)	2,680	(9,728)	22,616	(28,957)	(6,337)
Surplus/(deficit)	(8,819)	(1,680)	(12,653)	(30,104)	(67,464)	35,988	(46,214)	65,287	(57,710)	(4,622)

CORPORATE AND CHARITABLE STATUS

The Foundation was originally incorporated on 31st August 1977 as a private Company Limited by Guarantee (Registered in England Number 01327814). Authorisation to dispense with the word “Limited” was granted on 1st February 1978, and the Foundation for Science and Technology was also registered as a charity (Registered Charity Number 274727). A Memorandum and Articles of Association were adopted, with periodic updates over the years.

On 30 December 2022, following resolutions passed unanimously by members of the Foundation for Science and Technology at an EGM, the charity "Foundation for Science and Technology" became a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, and as part of this transfer, the associated company "Foundation for Science and Technology" was closed. The Memorandum and Articles of Association were replaced with a new Constitution, following Charity Commission best practice.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

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

Charity law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable incorporated organisation and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

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

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

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GOVERNANCE

The Foundation for Science and Technology is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). It is governed by a Board of Trustees who are appointed for a term of 4 years, renewable once.

The Trustee Board meets three or more times a year to oversee the work of the charity and delegate day-to-day management of the Foundation to the Chief Executive, Gavin Costigan. During the year, when members were appointed as a Trustee as part of their induction they were informed of the activities of the Foundation and the working procedure of the Trustees as well as provided with relevant strategy papers and financial statements.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

The Foundation has considered the guidance published on public benefit duties by the Charities Commission and considers that it has delivered public benefit through the aims of the Foundation which are delivered through organising debates about key policy issues while maintaining an impartial platform, by running the Foundation Future Leaders Programme, by publishing podcasts and blogs, and by assisting the administrators of learned and professional societies who through their activities also deliver public benefit. The recordings of meetings and journal reports for the discussion events hosted by the Foundation are widely distributed and freely available to the public on the website (www.foundation.org.uk), as are all podcasts and blogs. The website provides valuable educational material for universities and schools.

RESERVES POLICY

The Trustees reviewed the financial position of the Foundation during the year and judged that the level of reserves is sufficient to underpin the Members' guarantee and to enable the Foundation to commit to the forward programme with confidence, usually before sponsorship or other sources have been arranged or assured and to organise topical events at short notice. Also, adequate financial resources ensure that the Foundation remains independent of, and not reliant on, the financial support of any one organisation or interest. Independence and neutrality are crucial to the fulfilment of the Foundation's charitable objectives.

The May 2018 Trustee Board meeting considered the Reserves Policy in conjunction with the Investment Policy and, in so doing, confirmed the four main purposes of holding financial reserves. These are:

(a) *To ensure the Foundation can cover administrative and operating costs.* The Foundation depends on earning a surplus on sponsorship and on investment income to cover any deficit. Both these sources are unpredictable and can be highly variable, moreover total dependence on sponsorship could on occasion weaken the Foundation's independent position.

(b) *To assure the Foundation's position of independence, and freedom and responsiveness of action.* It is important for the Foundation to be able to organise events which deal with controversial issues, which fail to attract sponsorship or for which sponsorship is intentionally eschewed or which are unexpectedly significant and merit rapid attention. It is equally important that the Foundation is not beholden to any pressure group or other body by reason of its dependence on their financial support. Sufficient financial resources are required for the Trustees to maintain such independence.

(c) *To provide financial headroom for the Foundation to develop its activities for future as well as current members.* The Foundation operates with minimal staff. The current programme absorbs practically all of the Chief Executive's time and any significant developments would call for the commitment of resources to cover extra staff and facilities. Such initiatives might take a year or two to become self-financing and the Foundation could not undertake them unless it could absorb the risk of failure without prejudice to the above purposes. The Foundation serves its members and the wider community; the management of reserves should recognise that future members may wish to pursue new initiatives or priorities and should not unduly restrict such possibilities.

(d) *To provide reassurance for suppliers.* Adequate reserves enable the Foundation to commit itself to activities such as booking event facilities and maintain confidence in its credit worthiness.

At the May 2018 Trustee Board meeting it was agreed that the Foundation should aim to keep a reserve of some £500,000.

FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY TRUSTEES REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

INVESTMENT POWERS AND POLICY

Under the constitution of the Foundation for Science and Technology, operating since 30 December 2022, the Foundation operates to an agreed Investment Policy. The investment policy was agreed in the Foundation's earlier incarnation as a Company Limited by Guarantee.

This is as follows:

1. The investment portfolio should be suitably diversified to mitigate risk, commensurate with the charitable status of the Foundation.
2. The maximum invested in any one commercial bank or building society should not exceed the limit of the savings guarantee of the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS) except for short periods to meet operational requirements.
3. Working capital in immediate access accounts including cash held by the payroll provider should not normally exceed £180,000.
4. Remaining funds, which are expected to be held for five years or more, are invested in a diversified portfolio of investment funds in line with an agreed risk level. The balance between UK/World, sectors and specific funds should be reviewed regularly by the Trustee Board.

TRUSTEE BOARD MEMBERS

The following served on the Trustee Board during the year ended 31 December 2023:

The Rt Hon the Lord Willetts FRS	Chair
Stephen Benn (Viscount Stansgate)	Trustee
Sir Donald Brydon CBE	Trustee
The Rt Hon Professor The Lord Kakkar PC FMedSci	Trustee
Dr Sarah Main	Trustee
Dr Horia Maior	Trustee
Dame Julie Maxton DBE	Trustee
Jonathan Neale	Trustee
John Neilson	Honorary Treasurer
Dr Hayaatun Sillem (resigned 31/07/2023)	Trustee
Isobel Stephen	Trustee

CHIEF EXECUTIVE

The Chief Executive is Gavin Costigan.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The Foundation trustees will continue to pursue the strategy of providing an impartial platform for discussion by Members of both Houses of Parliament, officials from Whitehall and Devolved Administrations, industrialists, academics and others about policy issues of importance and relevance to society involving science, engineering, technology and medicine. Most discussion events will be in-person/online discussions, and the recording posted on the website, with a report following in the FST Journal. Social media will be used to draw people to this material. Further exploration of the issues with a wider group of people will take place via the podcast, which will continue throughout the year. The podcasts, and the blogsite, will also allow exploration of issues beyond the main evening event programme.

Secondly, the Foundation will continue the Foundation Future Leaders Programme, developing knowledge, skills and connections for mid-career researchers from the civil service, industry and academia. As this work enters its fifth year, it will further develop an alumni network of previous Future Leaders.

Thirdly, the Foundation will provide guidance and support to Learned and Professional Society members to improve their governance and their administrative efficiency, and to advise them individually on such matters.

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FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS (continued)

The Foundation will continue to invite companies, organisations and government bodies to join as Associate Members and will strive to maintain a balance between the interest, size and nature of the organisations represented while meeting a wider obligation to serve society.

Following the conversion of the Foundation to a CIO, the Foundation will complete some further governance improvements, including seeking an amendment to its charitable objects to reflect its activities.

By Order of the Trustees

Date: 27 March 2024

The Rt Hon the Lord Willetts FRS
Chair

FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the CIO (CIO number 131049 and charity number 274727) for the year ended 31 December 2023 which are set out on pages 8 to 15.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act').

I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination, I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since the Charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

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:

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 accounting requirements of the Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

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.

Paul Windmill FCA

Dated:

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FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
 STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (Incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account)
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies		65,018	-	20,500	85,518	58,255
Charitable activities						
Sponsorship		35,200	-	-	35,200	51,000
Accreditation fees and subscriptions		172,560	-	-	172,560	175,306
Learned societies activities and journal		8,509	-	-	8,509	4,820
Other income from special projects		-	-	-	-	1,000
Investments						
Listed investment income		12,034	-	-	12,034	11,681
Bank deposit interest		906	-	-	906	153
Other income		99	-	-	99	237
Total		294,326	-	20,500	314,826	302,452
Expenditure on						
Raising funds		(28,633)	-	-	(28,633)	(28,838)
Charitable activities		(272,030)	-	(20,500)	(292,530)	(302,571)
Total	3	(300,663)	-	(20,500)	(321,163)	(331,409)
Net gains/(losses) on investments	6	1,715	-	-	1,715	(28,753)
Net income/(expenditure)	2	(4,622)	-	-	(4,622)	(57,710)
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		(4,622)	-	-	(4,622)	(57,710)
Retained funds brought forward		488,176	-	13,240	501,417	559,127
Retained funds carried forward		483,554	-	13,240	496,794	501,417

The notes on pages 10 to 15 form part of the financial statements.
 There are no recognised gains and losses other than those stated above.
 There were no discontinued operations in the year.

FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Notes	2023 £	2023 £	2022 £	2022 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	5		1,272		2,082
Investments	6		<u>362,872</u>		<u>361,158</u>
			364,144		363,240
Current assets					
Debtors	7	27,029		50,782	
Cash at bank - on deposit		41,688		29,433	
- current account		66,300		66,964	
- The Harold Silman Fund		13,240		13,240	
Cash in hand		-		-	
		148,257		160,419	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	<u>(15,607)</u>		<u>(22,243)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>132,650</u>		<u>138,176</u>
Net assets			<u>496,794</u>		<u>501,416</u>
Financed by:					
Funds					
Restricted	9		13,240		13,240
Unrestricted			<u>483,554</u>		<u>488,176</u>
	11,12		<u>496,794</u>		<u>501,416</u>

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The Rt Hon the Lord Willetts FRS - Chair

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Mr J S Neilson - Honorary Treasurer

Dated: 27 March 2024

The notes on pages 10 to 15 form part of the financial statements.

FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

1 Accounting policies

(a) Basis of preparation and assessment of going concern

The financial statements 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. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland issued on 1 January 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland (FRS102).

The charity comprises a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

(b) Income recognition

Income is recognised 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. Income received in advance is deferred until the criteria for recognition are met.

Donations and sponsorship income are recognised when the charity has been notified of the amounts and settlement date. If a donation or sponsorship is given to support a specific event the income is deferred and not recognised until the event has taken place.

(c) Expenditure recognition and allocation of costs

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. All expenses including support costs and governance costs are allocated or apportioned to the applicable expenditure heading.

Direct costs comprise those costs that relate to the delivery of the charities activities or raising funds. These costs are allocated to the activity to which they relate.

Support costs are those costs incurred in support of these activities. Included in support costs are costs incurred in the governance of the charity which are primarily associated with the constitutional and statutory requirements.

Support costs are allocated to activities based on an estimate of staff time on each activity as follows:

Charitable activities - 85% Raising funds - 15%

(d) Depreciation of tangible assets

Items costing more than £500 are capitalised and valued at historic cost. Depreciation is provided on tangible assets at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life. For furniture, furnishings and office equipment a depreciation figure of 20% to 25% per annum on cost is used.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

1 Accounting policies (continued)

(e) Fixed Asset Investments

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

The statement of financial activity includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluation and disposals throughout the year.

(f) Fund structure

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Designated funds are funds which are set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in note 9 to the financial statements.

2 Net incoming resources

	2023	2022
	£	£
This is stated after charging:		
Independent examiner's fee	4,650	4,250
Depreciation on tangible fixed assets	811	811
	<u>5,461</u>	<u>5,061</u>

3a Total resources expended - current year

	Raising Funds	Charitable Activities	2023
	£	£	£
Direct costs			
Event expenditure	-	(109,400)	(109,400)
Journals and publications	-	(20,879)	(20,879)
Other income from special projects	-	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>(130,279)</u>	<u>(130,279)</u>
Support costs			
Rent, rates and services	(1,440)	(8,160)	(9,600)
Salaries and national insurance	(24,593)	(139,359)	(163,952)
Accountancy and bookkeeping fees	(92)	(521)	(613)
Printing, computing, stationery, postage and telephone	(1,199)	(6,790)	(7,989)
Insurance	(77)	(438)	(515)
Legal expenses	(31)	(177)	(208)
Bank charges	(26)	(147)	(173)
Depreciation	(122)	(689)	(811)
Office move, storage and travel	(356)	(2,017)	(2,373)
Independent Examiners' fee	(698)	(3,953)	(4,650)
	<u>(28,633)</u>	<u>(162,251)</u>	<u>(190,884)</u>
Total	<u>(28,633)</u>	<u>(292,530)</u>	<u>(321,163)</u>

3b Total resources expended - prior year

	Raising Funds	Charitable Activities	2022
	£	£	£
Direct costs			
Event expenditure	-	(113,321)	(113,321)
Journals and publications	-	(25,239)	(25,239)
Other income from special projects	-	(600)	(600)
	<u>-</u>	<u>(139,160)</u>	<u>(139,160)</u>
Support costs			
Rent, rates and services	(1,440)	(8,160)	(9,600)
Salaries and national insurance	(24,898)	(141,088)	(165,986)
Accountancy and bookkeeping fees	(117)	(663)	(780)
Printing, computing, stationery, postage and telephone	(1,160)	(6,570)	(7,730)
Insurance	(107)	(607)	(714)
Bank charges	(53)	(303)	(356)
Depreciation	(122)	(689)	(811)
Office move costs and travel	(303)	(1,718)	(2,021)
Independent Examiners' fee	(638)	(3,613)	(4,251)
	<u>(28,838)</u>	<u>(163,411)</u>	<u>(192,249)</u>
Total	<u>(28,838)</u>	<u>(302,571)</u>	<u>(331,409)</u>

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4 Employee information	2023	2022
	£	£
Staff costs:		
Wages and salaries	116,407	118,389
Social security costs	6,564	7,254
Pension costs	40,981	40,344
	<u>163,952</u>	<u>165,987</u>
The average monthly number of employees during the year based on head count was made up as follows:	No.	No.
Chief Executive	1	1
Office staff	3	3
	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>
Number of employees whose emoluments fell within the following ranges for the year:		
£60,001 - £70,000	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
Key management salaries (including employer NI & employer pension contributions)	<u>84,924</u>	<u>89,389</u>
5 Tangible fixed assets		Furniture, Furnishings and Office Equipment
Cost or valuation		£
At 1 January 2023		4,057
Disposals		-
Additions		<u>-</u>
At 31 December 2023		<u>4,057</u>
Depreciation		
At 1 January 2023		1,974
Disposals		-
Charge for the year		<u>811</u>
At 31 December 2023		<u>2,785</u>
Net book value		
At 31 December 2023		<u>1,272</u>
At 31 December 2022		<u>2,083</u>

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6 Fixed asset investments	Quoted	Unquoted	Total	Total
	£	£	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Market value brought forward	361,157	-	361,157	389,910
Movement on account	-	-	-	-
Net unrealised (losses)/gains	<u>1,715</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,715</u>	<u>(28,753)</u>
Market value carried forward	<u>362,872</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>362,872</u>	<u>361,157</u>
Historical cost at 31 December 2023	<u>255,254</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>255,254</u>	<u>255,254</u>

All investment assets are held within the United Kingdom.

The following investments represent holdings in excess of 5% of the portfolio value at 31 December 2023:

	2023	2022
	£	£
M&G Charifund	201,961	206,779
Black Rock Charities G&I Fund	160,911	154,378
7 Debtors	2023	2022
	£	£
Prepayments and accrued income	4,060	1,182
Other debtors	<u>22,969</u>	<u>49,600</u>
	<u>27,029</u>	<u>50,782</u>
8 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2023	2022
	£	£
Other taxes and social security costs	10,402	13,537
Other creditors	605	4,456
Accruals and deferred income	<u>4,600</u>	<u>4,250</u>
	<u>15,607</u>	<u>22,243</u>

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9 Restricted funds

Fund	Brought forward	Income	Expenditure	2023
	£	£	£	£
Harold Silman Fund	13,240	-	-	13,240
Specific Events	-	20,500	(20,500)	-
	13,240	20,500	(20,500)	13,240

Prior year

Fund	Brought forward	Income	Expenditure	2022
	£	£	£	£
Harold Silman Fund	13,240	-	-	13,240
	13,240	-	-	13,240

The Harold Silman Fund was established in 1992 to provide support, especially to those from outside London, in travelling to the Foundation's events.

10 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Designated Funds	Total
	£	£	£	£
Current Year				
Tangible assets	1,272	-	-	1,272
Investments	362,872	-	-	362,872
Debtors	27,029	-	-	27,029
Cash at bank and in hand	107,988	13,240	-	121,228
Creditors	(15,607)	-	-	(15,607)
	<u>483,554</u>	<u>13,240</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>496,794</u>
Prior year				
Tangible assets	2,082	-	-	2,082
Investments	361,157	-	-	361,157
Debtors	50,782	-	-	50,782
Cash at bank and in hand	96,398	13,240	-	109,638
Creditors	(22,243)	-	-	(22,243)
	<u>488,176</u>	<u>13,240</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>501,416</u>

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11 Transactions with the Trustee Board and related party transactions

During the year the following payments were made to, or on behalf of, the Trustee Board members in respect of accommodation and travel expenses:

	no	2023 amount	no	2022 amount
Expenses reimbursed to the Trustee Board	-	-	1	£154
Expenditure on behalf of the Trustee Board	-	-	1	£415

During the year, the charity received grants totalling £42,000 (2022: £36,500) from The Royal Society and incurred event expenditure totalling £75,269 (2022: £79,613) from The Royal Society where one of the trustees is Chief Executive. At the year end there were no amounts outstanding from/to The Royal Society.

During the year, the charity incurred expenditure on an event in the Royal Academy of Engineering / Prince Philip House totalling £nil (2022: £8,791) where a former trustee is Chief Executive. At the year end there were no amounts outstanding from/to the Royal Academy of Engineering / Prince Philip House.

During the year, the charity received subscription income of £55,125 (2022: £52,500) from UKRI, where one of the trustees is a board member. At the year end, there were no amounts outstanding from/to UKRI.

12 Prior year movement on funds

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £
Income and endowments from:					
Donations and legacies		58,255	-	-	58,255
Charitable activities					-
Sponsorship		51,000	-	-	51,000
Accreditation fees and subscriptions		175,306	-	-	175,306
Learned societies activities and journal		4,820	-	-	4,820
Investments					-
Listed investment income		11,681	-	-	11,681
Bank deposit interest		153	-	-	153
Other income		237	-	-	237
Other income from special projects		1,000	-	-	1,000
Total		302,451	-	-	302,451
Expenditure on					
Raising funds		(28,838)	-	-	(28,838)
Charitable activities		(302,571)	-	-	(302,571)
Total	3	(331,410)	-	-	(331,410)
Net gains/(losses) on investments	6	(28,753)	-	-	(28,753)
Net income/(expenditure)	2	(57,711)	-	-	(57,711)
Retained funds brought forward		545,886	-	13,240	559,127
Retained funds carried forward		488,175	-	13,240	501,415

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**TRUSTEES REPORT
AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

Registered Company No. 01327814
Registered Charity No. 00274727

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CHARITY INFORMATION AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

CHARITY INFORMATION

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FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY TRUSTEES REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

The Trustees¹ present the forty-third annual report and unaudited financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2022. The legal and administrative information set out on page 1 forms part of this Report. The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Constitution, 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 (issued January 2019).

The objects of the charitable incorporated organisation are:

- (a) The promotion and development of science and technology and to bring about the greater efficiency of the industry of the United Kingdom; and
- (b) The promotion of research in furtherance of the above object and the publication of the useful results of any such research.

In order to achieve the above objects, the Foundation's main activity is the organising of discussion events in an impartial forum for representatives of both Houses of Parliament, officials from Whitehall and the Devolved Administrations, business leaders, academics and others to debate policy issues with a scientific, engineering, technological or medical element. Events are filmed and videos of speakers, presentation slides and debate reports are uploaded to a website (www.foundation.org.uk), and social media is used to communicate the content of the discussion events to as wide a range of people as possible. A Journal, published three times a year, a weekly blog and a weekly podcast are used to explore the issues in further depth. The Foundation also runs a Future Leaders Scheme, for a cadre of mid-career professionals from the civil service, industry and academia. Separately, the Foundation publishes guidelines and newsletters to assist learned and professional societies to improve their administrative efficiency.

REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES

Discussion events were organised on a wide range of themes including UK-China research collaboration, delivering the AI Strategy, Climate Policy and COP27, and Tackling Racism in UK Science and Technology. Most events have been both in-person and online, with one event online only.

Year 3 of the Foundation Future Leaders Scheme ran from January to December 2022, with a cohort of 34 mid-career professionals from universities, industry, the civil service and others, involved in a programme of meetings (in-person and online), visits, events, and a one-day conference in Central London. A fourth cohort of Future Leaders was recruited at the end of 2022 for a programme of activities in 2023.

The Foundation recorded and released 27 episodes of the FST Podcast in 2022, with a range of guests from across government, industry, academia and beyond. There were 5,102 individual listens to the podcast during 2022. The Foundation also published a number of blogs. Together, the podcasts and blogs have added a greater exploration and set of perspectives to the issues being discussed in the main events, as well as giving opportunities to discuss other issues.

The Foundation continued to use social media actively to draw people to its content online.

The Foundation's Learned and Professional Society's Officer continued to provide guidance to a large number of societies on issues of governance, regulation and best practice, and produced regular newsletters.

The Foundation is grateful to the Society of Operations Engineers for leasing office space at 22 Greencoat Place.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Foundation raises funds from grant giving bodies, sponsorship of events and from subscriptions from Associate Members and Learned Society Members. The trustees are most grateful to the many companies, organisations and departments who support the work of the Foundation.

Donations and sponsorship totalling £109,255 (2021: £74,303) were made to the Foundation from The Royal Society, the Research Councils, Research England, InnovateUK (now UKRI), the Royal Academy of Engineering, the British Academy, The Academy of Medical Sciences, the Peter Jost Memorial Trust and others. Subscriptions totalled £179,868 (2021: £188,140). Income from Learned Society activities and the Journal was £4,820 (2021: £1,275).

¹ Throughout this document the term Trustees refers to the Trustees and Directors who govern the work of the Foundation for Science and Technology.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW (continued)

The net income and expenditure of the Foundation at the year-end was a deficit of £53,147 (2021: surplus of £65,287) after an unrealised loss on the equity investments of £28,753 (2021 gain: £42,670). The total reserves of the Foundation at the end of the financial year decreased from £559,127 to £505,978. Of these, £492,738 (2021: £545,886) were unrestricted and free reserves (unrestricted reserves not tied up in fixed assets) amounted to £490,656 (2021: £542,993).

The ten-year time series of the surplus/(deficit) for each year is shown in the table below.

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Surplus/(deficit) before equity gain or loss	(9,380)	(8,681)	(1,091)	(26,927)	(45,199)	(36,691)	2,680	(9,728)	22,616	(24,395)
Surplus/(deficit)	24,305	(8,819)	(1,680)	(12,653)	(30,104)	(67,464)	35,988	(46,214)	65,287	(53,147)

CORPORATE AND CHARITABLE STATUS

The Foundation was originally incorporated on 31st August 1977 as a private Company Limited by Guarantee (Registered in England Number 01327814). Authorisation to dispense with the word “Limited” was granted on 1st February 1978, and the Foundation for Science and Technology was also registered as a charity (Registered Charity Number 274727). A Memorandum and Articles of Association were adopted, with periodic updates over the years.

On 30 December 2022, following resolutions passed unanimously by members of the Foundation for Science and Technology at an EGM, the charity “Foundation for Science and Technology” became a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, and as part of this transfer, the associated company “Foundation for Science and Technology” was closed. The Memorandum and Articles of Association were replaced with a new Constitution, following Charity Commission best practice.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES’S RESPONSIBILITIES

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

Charity law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable incorporated organisation and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

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

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charity’s website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

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GOVERNANCE

Throughout most of 2022, the Foundation for Science and Technology was a charitable company, overseen by a Trustee Board, with trustees also acting as directors of the company. The Council was an advisory body, and members of the Council and Trustee Board were the “Members” of the Foundation under the old Memorandum and Articles of Association. On 29 November 2022, at an Extraordinary General Meeting, the Members of the Foundation voted by Special Resolution to convert the Foundation to a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, and also voted by Ordinary Resolution to adopt the Constitution of the new CIO. This conversion took place on 30 December 2022, with the Trustees of the old charitable company becoming the Trustees of the new CIO.

The Trustee Board meets three or more times a year to oversee the work of the charity and delegate day-to-day management of the Foundation to the Chief Executive, Gavin Costigan. During the year, when members were appointed as a Trustee as part of their induction they were informed of the activities of the Foundation and the working procedure of the Trustees as well as provided with relevant strategy papers and financial statements.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

The Foundation has considered the guidance published on public benefit duties by the Charities Commission and considers that it has delivered public benefit through the aims of the Foundation which are delivered through organising debates about key policy issues while maintaining an impartial platform, by running the Foundation Future Leaders Programme, by publishing podcasts and blogs, and by assisting the administrators of learned and professional societies who through their activities also deliver public benefit. The recordings of meetings and journal reports for the discussion events hosted by the Foundation are widely distributed and freely available to the public on the website (www.foundation.org.uk), as are all podcasts and blogs. The website provides valuable educational material for universities and schools.

RESERVES POLICY

The Trustees reviewed the financial position of the Foundation during the year and judged that the level of reserves is sufficient to underpin the Members’ guarantee and to enable the Foundation to commit to the forward programme with confidence, usually before sponsorship or other sources have been arranged or assured and to organise topical events at short notice. Also, adequate financial resources ensure that the Foundation remains independent of, and not reliant on, the financial support of any one organisation or interest. Independence and neutrality are crucial to the fulfilment of the Foundation’s charitable objectives.

The May 2018 Trustee Board meeting considered the Reserves Policy in conjunction with the Investment Policy and, in so doing, confirmed the four main purposes of holding financial reserves. These are:

- (a) *To ensure the Foundation can cover administrative and operating costs.* The Foundation depends on earning a surplus on sponsorship and on investment income to cover any deficit. Both these sources are unpredictable and can be highly variable, moreover total dependence on sponsorship could on occasion weaken the Foundation’s independent position.
- (b) *To assure the Foundation’s position of independence, and freedom and responsiveness of action.* It is important for the Foundation to be able to organise events which deal with controversial issues, which fail to attract sponsorship or for which sponsorship is intentionally eschewed or which are unexpectedly significant and merit rapid attention. It is equally important that the Foundation is not beholden to any pressure group or other body by reason of its dependence on their financial support. Sufficient financial resources are required for the Trustees to maintain such independence.
- (c) *To provide financial headroom for the Foundation to develop its activities for future as well as current members.* The Foundation operates with minimal staff. The current programme absorbs practically all of the Chief Executive’s time and any significant developments would call for the commitment of resources to cover extra staff and facilities. Such initiatives might take a year or two to become self-financing and the Foundation could not undertake them unless it could absorb the risk of failure without prejudice to the above purposes. The Foundation serves its members and the wider community; the management of reserves should recognise that future members may wish to pursue new initiatives or priorities and should not unduly restrict such possibilities.
- (d) *To provide reassurance for suppliers.* Adequate reserves enable the Foundation to commit itself to activities such as booking event facilities and maintain confidence in its credit worthiness.

At the May 2018 Trustee Board meeting it was agreed that the Foundation should aim to keep a reserve of some £500,000.

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INVESTMENT POWERS AND POLICY

Under the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the charitable company, which operated until 30 December 2022, the Foundation has the power to make any investment that the Trustees see fit. The equivalent power is provided in the Constitution of the new CIO, operating since 30 December 2022. The Foundation operates to an agreed Investment Policy.

These are as follows:

1. The investment portfolio should be suitably diversified to mitigate risk, commensurate with the charitable status of the Foundation.
2. The maximum invested in any one commercial bank or building society should not exceed the limit of the savings guarantee of the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS) except for short periods to meet operational requirements.
3. Working capital in immediate access accounts including cash held by the payroll provider should not normally exceed £180,000.
4. Remaining funds, which are expected to be held for five years or more, are invested in a diversified portfolio of investment funds in line with an agreed risk level. The balance between UK/World, sectors and specific funds should be reviewed regularly by the Trustee Board.

TRUSTEE BOARD MEMBERS

The following served on the Trustee Board during the year ended 31 December 2022:

The Rt Hon the Lord Willetts FRS	Chair
Stephen Benn (Viscount Stansgate) (since 15/05/2022)	Trustee
Sir Donald Brydon CBE	Trustee
The Rt Hon Professor The Lord Kakkar PC FMedSci	Trustee
Dr Sarah Main	Trustee
Dr Horia Maior (since 16/11/2022)	Trustee
Dr Julie Maxton CBE	Trustee
Patrick McHugh (resigned 02/03/2022)	Honorary Secretary
Chi Onwurah MP (resigned 02/03/2022)	Trustee
Jonathan Neale (since 26/08/2022)	Trustee
John Neilson	Honorary Treasurer
Dr Hayaatun Sillem	Trustee
Isobel Stephen	Trustee

CHIEF EXECUTIVE

The Chief Executive is Gavin Costigan.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The Foundation trustees will continue to pursue the strategy of providing an impartial platform for discussion by Members of both Houses of Parliament, officials from Whitehall and Devolved Administrations, industrialists, academics and others about policy issues of importance and relevance to society involving science, engineering, technology and medicine. Most discussion events will be in-person/online discussions, and the recording posted on the website, with a report following in the FST Journal. Social media will be used to draw people to this material, and we will seek to make greater use of use Facebook and Wikipedia in addition to Twitter and LinkedIn. Further exploration of the issues with a wider group of people will take place via the podcast, which will continue throughout the year. The podcasts, and the blogsite, will also allow exploration of issues beyond the main evening event programme.

Secondly, the Foundation will continue the Foundation Future Leaders Programme, developing knowledge, skills and connections for mid-career researchers from the civil service, industry and academia. As this work enters its fourth year, it will further develop an alumni network of previous Future Leaders.

Thirdly, the Foundation will provide guidance and support to Learned and Professional Society members to improve the efficiency of their administration and reduce their risk exposures.


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FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS (continued)

The Foundation will continue to invite companies, organisations and government bodies to join as Associate Members and will strive to maintain a balance between the interest, size and nature of the organisations represented while meeting a wider obligation to serve society.

Following the conversion of the Foundation to a CIO, the Foundation will complete some further governance improvements, including seeking an amendment to its charitable objects to reflect its activities better, and re-establishing the Council as an advisory body.

By Order of the Trustees



The Rt Hon the Lord Willetts FRS
Chair

Date: 22 March 2023

FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company (company number 1327814 and charity number 274727) for the year ended 31 December 2022 which are set out on pages 8 to 15.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since the Company's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

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:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

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.



Paul Windmill FCA

Dated: 5 April 2023

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FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
 STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (Incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account)
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies		58,255	-	-	58,255	54,505
Charitable activities						
Sponsorship		51,000	-	-	51,000	19,798
Accreditation fees and subscriptions		175,306	-	-	175,306	188,140
Learned societies activities and journal		4,820	-	-	4,820	1,275
Other income from special projects		1,000	-	-	1,000	29,167
Investments						
Listed investment income		11,681	-	-	11,681	10,415
Bank deposit interest		153	-	-	153	225
Other income		237	-	-	237	320
Total		302,452	-	-	302,452	303,844
Expenditure on						
Raising funds		(28,838)	-	-	(28,838)	(29,994)
Charitable activities		(302,571)	-	-	(302,571)	(251,233)
Total	3	(331,409)	-	-	(331,409)	(281,228)
Net gains/(losses) on investments	6	(28,753)	-	-	(28,753)	42,670
Net income/(expenditure)	2	(57,709)	-	-	(57,709)	65,287
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		(57,709)	-	-	(57,709)	65,287
Retained funds brought forward		545,886	-	13,240	559,127	493,840
Retained funds carried forward		488,176	-	13,240	501,416	559,127

The notes on pages 10 to 15 form part of the financial statements.
 There are no recognised gains and losses other than those stated above.
 There were no discontinued operations in the year.

FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Notes	2022 £	2022 £	2021 £	2021 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	5		2,082		2,893
Investments	6		<u>361,157</u>		<u>389,910</u>
			363,239		392,803
Current assets					
Debtors	7	50,782		23,090	
Cash at bank - on deposit		29,433		85,910	
- current account		66,964		62,732	
- The Harold Silman Fund		13,240		13,240	
Cash in hand		-		-	
		160,419		184,972	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	<u>(22,245)</u>		<u>(18,649)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>138,176</u>		<u>166,323</u>
Net assets			<u>501,416</u>		<u>559,126</u>
Financed by:					
Funds					
Restricted	9		13,240		13,240
Unrestricted			<u>488,176</u>		<u>545,886</u>
	11,12		<u>501,416</u>		<u>559,126</u>

For the year ending 31 December 2022, the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of the accounts.

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



The Rt Hon the Lord Willetts FRS - Chair



Mr J S Neilson - Honorary Treasurer

Dated: 22 MARCH 2023

The notes on pages 10 to 15 form part of the financial statements.

FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

1 Accounting policies

(a) Basis of preparation and assessment of going concern

The financial statements 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. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland issued on 1 January 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland (FRS102) and the Companies Act 2006.

On 30th December 2022, the Foundation converted from a Charitable Company to a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO).

The charity comprises a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

(b) Income recognition

Income is recognised 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. Income received in advance is deferred until the criteria for recognition are met.

Donations and sponsorship income are recognised when the charity has been notified of the amounts and settlement date. If a donation or sponsorship is given to support a specific event the income is deferred and not recognised until the event has taken place.

(c) Expenditure recognition and allocation of costs

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. All expenses including support costs and governance costs are allocated or apportioned to the applicable expenditure heading.

Direct costs comprise those costs that relate to the delivery of the charities activities or raising funds. These costs are allocated to the activity to which they relate.

Support costs are those costs incurred in support of these activities. Included in support costs are costs incurred in the governance of the charity which are primarily associated with the constitutional and statutory requirements.

Support costs are allocated to activities based on an estimate of staff time on each activity as follows:

Charitable activities - 85% Raising funds - 15%

(d) Depreciation of tangible assets

Items costing more than £500 are capitalised and valued at historic cost. Depreciation is provided on tangible assets at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life. For furniture, furnishings and office equipment a depreciation figure of 20% to 25% per annum on cost is used.

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1 Accounting policies (continued)

(e) Fixed Asset Investments

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

The statement of financial activity includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluation and disposals throughout the year.

(f) Fund structure

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Designated funds are funds which are set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in note 9 to the financial statements.

2 Net incoming resources

	2022	2021
	£	£
This is stated after charging:		
Independent examiner's fee	4,280	4,000
Depreciation on tangible fixed assets	<u>811</u>	<u>582</u>

3a Total resources expended - current year

	Raising Funds	Charitable Activities	2022
	£	£	£
Direct costs			
Event expenditure	-	(113,322)	(113,322)
Journals and publications	-	(25,239)	(25,239)
Other income from special projects	-	(600)	(600)
	-	<u>(139,161)</u>	<u>(139,161)</u>
Support costs			
Rent, rates and services	(1,440)	(8,160)	(9,600)
Salaries and national insurance	(24,898)	(141,088)	(165,986)
Accountancy and bookkeeping fees	(117)	(663)	(780)
Printing, computing, stationery, postage and telephone	(1,160)	(6,570)	(7,730)
Insurance	(107)	(607)	(714)
Bank charges	(53)	(303)	(356)
Depreciation	(122)	(689)	(811)
Office move, storage and travel	(303)	(1,718)	(2,021)
Independent Examiners' fee	(638)	(3,613)	(4,250)
	<u>(28,838)</u>	<u>(163,410)</u>	<u>(192,248)</u>
Total	<u>(28,838)</u>	<u>(302,571)</u>	<u>(331,409)</u>

3b Total resources expended - prior year

	Raising Funds	Charitable Activities	2021
	£	£	£
Direct costs			
Event expenditure	-	(32,427)	(32,427)
Journals and publications	-	(18,461)	(18,461)
Bad debt write off	-	(1,485)	(1,485)
Other income from special projects	-	(14,225)	(14,225)
	-	<u>(66,598)</u>	<u>(66,598)</u>
Support costs			
Rent, rates and services	(5,407)	(30,640)	(36,047)
Salaries and national insurance	(22,003)	(139,352)	(161,355)
Accountancy and bookkeeping fees	(110)	(626)	(735)
Printing, computing, stationery, postage and telephone	(1,027)	(5,818)	(6,845)
Insurance	(125)	(706)	(831)
Sundry expenses	(55)	(311)	(366)
Legal expenses	(121)	(685)	(806)
Bank charges	(37)	(211)	(248)
Depreciation	(87)	(495)	(582)
Office move costs and travel	(422)	(2,393)	(2,815)
Independent Examiners' fee	(600)	(3,400)	(4,000)
	<u>(29,994)</u>	<u>(184,636)</u>	<u>(214,630)</u>
Total	<u>(29,994)</u>	<u>(251,234)</u>	<u>(281,228)</u>

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4 Employee information	2022	2021
	£	£
Staff costs:		
Wages and salaries	118,389	113,632
Social security costs	7,254	7,358
Pension costs	40,344	40,364
	<u>165,986</u>	<u>161,354</u>
The average monthly number of employees during the year based on head count was made up as follows:	No.	No.
Chief Executive	1	1
Office staff	3	3
	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>
Number of employees whose emoluments fell within the following ranges for the year:		
£60,001 - £70,000	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
Key management salaries (including employer NI & employer pension contributions)	<u>89,389</u>	<u>86,445</u>
5 Tangible fixed assets		Furniture, Furnishings and Office Equipment
Cost or valuation		£
At 1 January 2022		4,057
Disposals		-
Additions		-
At 31 December 2022		<u>4,057</u>
Depreciation		
At 1 January 2022		1,163
Disposals		-
Charge for the year		811
At 31 December 2022		<u>1,974</u>
Net book value		
At 31 December 2022		<u>2,082</u>
At 31 December 2021		<u>2,893</u>

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6 Fixed asset investments	Quoted £	Unquoted £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Market value brought forward	389,910	-	389,910	343,587
Movement on account	-	-	-	3,653
Net unrealised (losses)/gains	<u>(28,753)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(28,753)</u>	<u>42,670</u>
Market value carried forward	<u>361,157</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>361,157</u>	<u>389,910</u>
Historical cost at 31 December 2022	<u>255,254</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>255,254</u>	<u>255,254</u>

All investment assets are held within the United Kingdom.

The following investments represent holdings in excess of 5% of the portfolio value at 31 December 2022:

	2022 £	2021 £
M&G Charifund	206,779	305,846
Black Rock Charities G&I Fund	154,378	84,064
7 Debtors	2022 £	2021 £
Prepayments	1,182	1,124
Other debtors	<u>49,601</u>	<u>21,966</u>
	<u>50,782</u>	<u>23,090</u>
8 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2022 £	2021 £
Other taxes and social security costs	13,536	9,330
Other creditors	4,456	319
Accruals and deferred income	<u>4,250</u>	<u>9,000</u>
	<u>22,243</u>	<u>18,649</u>

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9 Restricted funds

Fund	Brought forward £	Income £	Expenditure £	2022 £
Harold Silman Fund	13,240	-	-	13,240
	13,240	-	-	13,240
Prior year				
Fund	Brought forward £	Income £	Expenditure £	2021 £
Harold Silman Fund	13,240	-	-	13,240
<i>Special projects:</i>				
Science and Policymaking - A report for the British Embassy Santiago	-	15,000	(15,000)	-
Production of a research report "UK science, technology & innovation policy"	-	11,667	(11,667)	-
<i>Grants:</i>				
COP26: Where do we go from here?	-	2,500	(2,500)	-
	13,240	29,167	(29,167)	13,240

The Harold Silman Fund was established in 1992 to provide support, especially to those from outside London, in travelling to the Foundation's events.

10 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Total £
Current Year				
Tangible assets	2,082	-	-	2,082
Investments	361,157	-	-	361,157
Debtors	50,782	-	-	50,782
Cash at bank and in hand	96,397	13,240	-	109,637
Creditors	(22,243)	-	-	(22,243)
	<u>488,176</u>	<u>13,240</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>501,416</u>
Prior year				
Tangible assets	2,893	-	-	2,893
Investments	389,910	-	-	389,910
Debtors	23,090	-	-	23,090
Cash at bank and in hand	148,642	13,240	-	161,882
Creditors	(18,649)	-	-	(18,649)
	<u>545,886</u>	<u>13,240</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>559,126</u>

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11 Transactions with the Trustee Board and related party transactions

During the year the following payments were made to, or on behalf of, the Trustee Board members in respect of accommodation and travel expenses:

		2022		2021
	no	amount	no	amount
Expenses reimbursed to the Trustee Board	1	£154	-	-
Expenditure on behalf of the Trustee Board	1	£415	-	-

The charity received aggregated donations of £nil (2021: nil) and sponsorship of £nil (2021: £nil) from the Trustee Board members, or their related parties, in the year.

During the year, the charity received grants totalling £36,500 (2021: £35,000) from The Royal Society and incurred event expenditure totalling £79,613 (2021: £16,085) from The Royal Society where one of the trustees is Chief Executive. At the year end there were no amounts outstanding from/to The Royal Society.

During the year, the charity incurred expenditure on an event in the Royal Academy of Engineering / Prince Philip House totalling £8,791 (2021: £7,494) where one of the trustees is Chief Executive. At the year end there were no amounts outstanding from/to the Royal Academy of Engineering / Prince Philip House.

During the year, the charity received subscription income of £52,500 from UKRI, where one of the trustees is a board member. At the year end, there were no amounts outstanding from/to UKRI.

12 Liability of members

The company is limited by guarantee and therefore has no share capital. Each member's guarantee is limited to £1.

13 Prior year movement on funds

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £
Income and endowments from:					
Donations and legacies		54,505	-	-	54,505
Charitable activities					-
Sponsorship		19,798	-	-	19,798
Accreditation fees and subscriptions		188,140	-	-	188,140
Learned societies activities and journal		1,275	-	-	1,275
Investments					-
Listed investment income		10,415	-	-	10,415
Bank deposit interest		225	-	-	225
Other income		320	-	-	320
Other income from special projects		-	-	29,167	29,167
Total		274,677	-	29,167	303,844
Expenditure on					
Raising funds		(29,994)	-	-	(29,994)
Charitable activities		(222,066)	-	(29,167)	(251,233)
Total	3	(252,061)	-	(29,167)	(281,228)
Net gains/(losses) on investments	6	42,670	-	-	42,670
Net income/(expenditure)	2	65,287	-	-	65,287
Retained funds brought forward		480,599	-	13,240	493,840
Retained funds carried forward		545,886	-	13,240	559,126

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**TRUSTEES REPORT
AND
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FOR THE
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

Registered Company No. 01327814
Registered Charity No. 00274727

FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

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CHARITY INFORMATION AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

CHARITY INFORMATION

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FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

TRUSTEES REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

The Trustees¹ present the forty-second annual report and unaudited financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2021. The legal and administrative information set out on page 1 forms part of this Report. The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, 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 (issued January 2019).

The objects of the charitable company are:

- (a) The promotion and development of science and technology and to bring about the greater efficiency of the industry of the United Kingdom; and
- (b) The promotion of research in furtherance of the above object and the publication of the useful results of any such research.

In order to achieve the above objects, the Foundation's main activity is the organising of discussion events in an impartial forum for representatives of both Houses of Parliament, officials from Whitehall and the Devolved Administrations, business leaders, academics and others to debate policy issues with a scientific, engineering, technological or medical element. Events are filmed and videos of speakers, presentation slides and debate reports are uploaded to a website (www.foundation.org.uk), and social media is used to communicate the content of the discussion events to as wide a range of people as possible. A Journal, published three times a year, a weekly blog and a weekly podcast are used to explore the issues in further depth. The Foundation also runs a Future Leaders Scheme, for a cadre of mid-career professionals from the civil service, industry and academia. Separately, the Foundation publishes guidelines and newsletters to assist learned and professional societies to improve their administrative efficiency.

REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES

Discussion events were organised on a wide range of themes including hydrogen technologies, the effect of the coronavirus lockdown on the mental health of young people, European space policy, the Innovation Strategy and COP26. From January to August 2021, all events were online due to the covid pandemic, after which they have been hybrid events both in-person and online.

Year 2 of the Foundation Future Leaders Scheme ran from January to December 2021, with a cohort of 34 mid-career professionals from universities, industry, the civil service and others, involved in a programme of meetings, visits, events, and an online conference. As with discussion events, this was online only until September 2021 due to the pandemic. A third cohort of Future Leaders was recruited at the end of 2021 for a programme of activities in 2022.

The Foundation recorded and released 35 episodes of the FST Podcast in 2021, with a range of guests from across government, industry, academia and beyond. There were 7,749 individual listens to the podcast during 2021. The Foundation also published 25 blogs. Together, the podcasts and blogs have added a greater exploration and set of perspectives to the issues being discussed in the main events, as well as giving opportunities to discuss other issues.

The Foundation continues to actively use social media to draw people to its content online.

The Foundation's Learned and Professional Society's Officer continued to provide guidance to a large number of societies on issues of governance, regulation and best practice, and produced regular newsletters.

The Foundation is grateful to the Society of Operations Engineers for leasing office space at 22 Greencoat Place.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Foundation raises funds from grant giving bodies, sponsorship of events and from subscriptions from Associate Members and Learned Society Members. The trustees are most grateful to the many companies, organisations and departments who support the work of the Foundation.

Donations and sponsorship totalling £74,303 (2020: £78,150) were made to the Foundation from The Royal Society, The Academy of Medical Sciences, the Peter Jost Charitable Foundation and others. Subscriptions totalled £188,140 (2020: £190,110). Income from Learned Society activities and the Journal was £1,275 (2020: £1,847).

¹ Throughout this document the term Trustees refers to the Trustees and Directors who govern the work of the Foundation for Science and Technology.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW (continued)

The net income and expenditure of the Foundation at the year-end was a surplus of £65,287 (2020: deficit of £46,214) after an unrealised gain on the equity investments of £42,670 (2020 loss: £36,486). The total reserves of the Foundation at the end of the financial year increased from £493,839 to £559,126. Of these, £545,886 (2020: £480,599) were unrestricted and free reserves (unrestricted reserves not tied up in fixed assets) amounted to £542,993 (2020: £478,269).

The ten-year time series of the surplus/(deficit) for each year is shown in the table below.

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Surplus/(deficit) before equity gain or loss	13,351	(9,380)	(8,681)	(1,091)	(26,927)	(45,199)	(36,691)	2,680	(9,728)	22,616
Surplus/(deficit)	28,795	24,305	(8,819)	(1,680)	(12,653)	(30,104)	(67,464)	35,988	(46,214)	65,287

CORPORATE STATUS

The Foundation was incorporated on 31st August 1977 as a private Company Limited by Guarantee (Registered in England Number 01327814). Authorisation to dispense with the word "Limited" was granted on 1st February 1978. The Foundation for Science and Technology is a Registered Charity (Registered Charity Number 274727).

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES'S RESPONSIBILITIES

The Trustees (who are also directors of The Foundation for Science and Technology for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

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

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

GOVERNANCE

A Trustee Board with eight members was set up in 2016. The Board replaced the Council which became an advisory body.

The Trustee Board meets three or more times a year to oversee the work of the charity and delegate day-to-day management of the Foundation to the Chief Executive, Gavin Costigan. During the year, when members were appointed as a Trustee as part of their induction they were informed of the activities of the Foundation and the working procedure of the Trustees as well as provided with relevant strategy papers and financial statements.

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PUBLIC BENEFIT

The Foundation has considered the guidance published on public benefit duties by the Charities Commission and considers that it has delivered public benefit through the aims of the Foundation which are delivered through organising debates about key policy issues while maintaining an impartial platform, by running the Foundation Future Leaders Programme, by publishing podcasts and blogs, and by assisting the administrators of learned and professional societies who through their activities also deliver public benefit. The meeting summaries and journal reports for the debates hosted by the Foundation are widely distributed and freely available to the public on the website (www.foundation.org.uk), as are all podcasts and blogs. The website provides valuable educational material for universities and schools.

RESERVES POLICY

The Trustees reviewed the financial position of the Foundation during the year and judged that the level of reserves is sufficient to underpin the Members' guarantee and to enable the Foundation to commit to the forward programme with confidence, usually before sponsorship or other sources have been arranged or assured and to organise topical events at short notice. Also, adequate financial resources ensure that the Foundation remains independent of, and not reliant on, the financial support of any one organisation or interest. Independence and neutrality are crucial to the fulfilment of the Foundation's charitable objectives.

The May 2018 Trustee Board meeting considered the Reserves Policy in conjunction with the Investment Policy and, in so doing, confirmed the four main purposes of holding financial reserves. These are:

(a) *To ensure the Foundation can cover administrative and operating costs.* The Foundation depends on earning a surplus on sponsorship and on investment income to cover any deficit. Both these sources are unpredictable and can be highly variable, moreover total dependence on sponsorship could on occasion weaken the Foundation's independent position.

(b) *To assure the Foundation's position of independence, and freedom and responsiveness of action.* It is important for the Foundation to be able to organise events which deal with controversial issues, which fail to attract sponsorship or for which sponsorship is intentionally eschewed or which are unexpectedly significant and merit rapid attention. It is equally important that the Foundation is not beholden to any pressure group or other body by reason of its dependence on their financial support. Sufficient financial resources are required for the Trustees to maintain such independence.

(c) *To provide financial headroom for the Foundation to develop its activities for future as well as current members.* The Foundation operates with minimal staff. The current programme absorbs practically all of the Chief Executive's time and any significant developments would call for the commitment of resources to cover extra staff and facilities. Such initiatives might take a year or two to become self-financing and the Foundation could not undertake them unless it could absorb the risk of failure without prejudice to the above purposes. The Foundation serves its members and the wider community; the management of reserves should recognise that future members may wish to pursue new initiatives or priorities and should not unduly restrict such possibilities.

(d) *To provide reassurance for suppliers.* Adequate reserves enable the Foundation to commit itself to activities such as booking event facilities and maintain confidence in its credit worthiness.

At the May 2018 Trustee Board meeting it was agreed that the Foundation should aim to keep a reserve of some £500,000.

INVESTMENT POWERS AND POLICY

Under the Memorandum and Articles of Association the Foundation has the power to make any investment that the Trustees see fit and operates to an agreed Investment Policy.

As part of the investment policy, the Trustees have a series of guidelines, which were reviewed and revised at the July 2020 Trustee Board meeting.

These are as follows:

1. The investment portfolio should be suitably diversified to mitigate risk, commensurate with the charitable status of the Foundation.
2. The maximum invested in any one commercial bank or building society should not exceed the limit of the savings guarantee of the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS) except for short periods to meet operational requirements.
3. Working capital in immediate access accounts including cash held by the payroll provider should not normally exceed £180,000.

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INVESTMENT POWERS AND POLICY (continued)

4. Remaining funds, which are expected to be held for five years or more, are invested in a diversified portfolio of investment funds in line with an agreed risk level. The balance between UK/World, sectors and specific funds should be reviewed regularly by the Trustee Board.

TRUSTEE BOARD MEMBERS

The following served on the Trustee Board during the year ended 31 December 2021:

The Rt Hon the Lord Willetts FRS	Chair
Sir Donald Brydon CBE	Trustee
The Rt Hon Professor The Lord Kakkar PC FMedSci (since 24/03/2021)	Trustee
Dr Sarah Main	Trustee
Dr Julie Maxton CBE	Trustee
Patrick McHugh (resigned 02/03/2022)	Honorary Secretary
Chi Onwurah MP (resigned 02/03/2022)	Trustee
John Neilson	Honorary Treasurer
Dr Hayaatun Sillem	Trustee
Isobel Stephen (since 24/03/2021)	Trustee

In accordance with Article 35 of the Constitution, the Honorary Officers retire each year.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE

The Chief Executive is Gavin Costigan.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The Foundation trustees will continue to pursue the strategy of providing an impartial platform for discussion by Members of both Houses of Parliament, officials from Whitehall and Devolved Administrations, industrialists, academics and others about policy issues of importance and relevance to society involving science, engineering, technology and medicine. Issues raised during the discussions will be published by the Foundation in a report of the meeting, in FST Journal and on the Foundation website – www.foundation.org.uk. Social media will be used to draw people to this material. Further exploration of the issues with a wider group of people will take place via the podcast, which will continue throughout the year. The podcasts, and the blogsite, will also allow exploration of issues beyond the main evening event programme. Secondly, the Foundation will continue the Foundation Future Leaders Programme, developing knowledge, skills and connections for mid-career researchers from the civil service, industry and academia. Thirdly, the Foundation will provide guidance and support to Learned and Professional Society members to improve the efficiency of their administration and reduce their risk exposures. The Foundation will continue to invite companies, organisations and government bodies to join as Associate Members and will strive to maintain a balance between the interest, size and nature of the organisations represented while meeting a wider obligation to serve society.

By Order of the Trustees



The Rt Hon the Lord Willetts FRS
Chair

Date: 23 March 2022

FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company (company number 1327814 and charity number 274727) for the year ended 31 December 2021 which are set out on pages 7 to 14.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

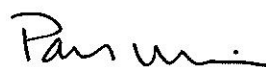
Independent examiner's statement

Since the Company's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

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:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

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.



Paul Windmill FCA

Dated: 4 April 2022

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FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
 STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (Incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account)
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies		54,505	-	-	54,505	60,150
Charitable activities						
Sponsorship		19,798	-	-	19,798	18,000
Accreditation fees and subscriptions		188,140	-	-	188,140	190,110
Learned societies activities and journal		1,275	-	-	1,275	1,847
Other income from special projects		-	-	29,167	29,167	-
Investments						
Listed investment income		10,415	-	-	10,415	9,430
Bank deposit interest		225	-	-	225	1,101
Other income		320	-	-	320	-
Total		274,677	-	29,167	303,844	280,638
Expenditure on						
Raising funds		(29,994)	-	-	(29,994)	(33,100)
Charitable activities		(222,066)	-	(29,167)	(251,233)	(257,266)
Total	3	(252,061)	-	(29,167)	(281,228)	(290,366)
Net gains/(losses) on investments	6	42,670	-	-	42,670	(36,486)
Net income/(expenditure)	2	65,287	-	-	65,287	(46,214)
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		65,287	-	-	65,287	(46,214)
Retained funds brought forward		480,599	-	13,240	493,840	540,054
Retained funds carried forward		545,886	-	13,240	559,126	493,840

The notes on pages 9 to 14 form part of the financial statements.
 There are no recognised gains and losses other than those stated above.
 There were no discontinued operations in the year.

FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Notes	2021 £	2021 £	2020 £	2020 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	5		2,893		2,330
Investments	6		<u>389,910</u>		<u>343,587</u>
			392,803		345,917
Current assets					
Debtors	7	23,090		14,576	
Cash at bank - on deposit		85,910		75,902	
- current account		62,732		65,771	
- The Harold Silman Fund		13,240		13,240	
Cash in hand		-		-	
		184,972		169,489	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	<u>(18,649)</u>		<u>(21,568)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>166,323</u>		<u>147,921</u>
Net assets			<u>559,126</u>		<u>493,838</u>
Financed by:					
Funds					
Restricted	9		13,240		13,240
Unrestricted			<u>545,886</u>		<u>480,599</u>
	11,12		<u>559,126</u>		<u>493,839</u>

For the year ending 31 December 2021, the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of the accounts.

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

DLW Willets

The Rt Hon the Lord Willets FRS - Chair

Dated: 23 March 2022

J S Neilson

Mr J S Neilson - Honorary Treasurer

The notes on pages 9 to 14 form part of the financial statements.

FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

1 Accounting policies

(a) Basis of preparation and assessment of going concern

The financial statements 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. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland issued on 1 January 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland (FRS102) and the Companies Act 2006.

The charity comprises a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

(b) Income recognition

Income is recognised 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. Income received in advance is deferred until the criteria for recognition are met.

Donations and sponsorship income are recognised when the charity has been notified of the amounts and settlement date. If a donation or sponsorship is given to support a specific event the income is deferred and not recognised until the event has taken place.

(c) Expenditure recognition and allocation of costs

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. All expenses including support costs and governance costs are allocated or apportioned to the applicable expenditure heading.

Direct costs comprise those costs that relate to the delivery of the charities activities or raising funds. These costs are allocated to the activity to which they relate.

Support costs are those costs incurred in support of these activities. Included in support costs are costs incurred in the governance of the charity which are primarily associated with the constitutional and statutory requirements.

Support costs are allocated to activities based on an estimate of staff time on each activity as follows:

Charitable activities - 85% Raising funds - 15%

(d) Depreciation of tangible assets

Items costing more than £500 are capitalised and valued at historic cost. Depreciation is provided on tangible assets at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life. For furniture, furnishings and office equipment a depreciation figure of 20% to 25% per annum on cost is used.

FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
 NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

1 Accounting policies (continued)

(e) Fixed Asset Investments

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

The statement of financial activity includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluation and disposals throughout the year.

(f) Fund structure

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Designated funds are funds which are set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in note 9 to the financial statements.

2 Net incoming resources

This is stated after charging:

	2021 £	2020 £
Independent examiner's fee	4,000	3,900
Depreciation on tangible fixed assets	<u>582</u>	<u>533</u>

3a Total resources expended - current year

	Raising Funds £	Charitable Activities £	2021 £
Direct costs			
Event expenditure	-	(32,427)	(32,427)
Journals and publications	-	(18,461)	(18,461)
Bad debt write off	-	(1,485)	(1,485)
Other income from special projects	-	(14,225)	(14,225)
	<u>-</u>	<u>(66,598)</u>	<u>(66,598)</u>
Support costs			
Rent, rates and services	(5,407)	(30,640)	(36,047)
Salaries and national insurance	(22,003)	(139,352)	(161,355)
Accountancy and bookkeeping fees	(110)	(625)	(735)
Printing, computing, stationery, postage and telephone	(1,027)	(5,818)	(6,845)
Insurance	(125)	(706)	(831)
Sundry expenses	(55)	(311)	(366)
Legal expenses	(121)	(695)	(806)
Bank charges	(37)	(211)	(248)
Depreciation	(87)	(495)	(582)
Office move, storage and travel	(422)	(2,393)	(2,815)
Independent Examiners' fee	(600)	(3,400)	(4,000)
	<u>(29,994)</u>	<u>(184,635)</u>	<u>(214,630)</u>
Total	<u>(29,994)</u>	<u>(251,233)</u>	<u>(281,228)</u>

3b Total resources expended - prior year

	Raising Funds £	Charitable Activities £	2020 £
Direct costs			
Event expenditure	-	(28,856)	(28,856)
Journals and publications	-	(38,633)	(38,633)
Bad debt write off	-	(2,203)	(2,203)
	<u>-</u>	<u>(69,692)</u>	<u>(69,692)</u>
Support costs			
Rent, rates and services	(7,391)	(41,980)	(49,271)
Salaries and national insurance	(23,561)	(133,513)	(157,074)
Accountancy and bookkeeping fees	(103)	(584)	(687)
Printing, computing, stationery, postage and telephone	(1,023)	(5,900)	(6,823)
Insurance	(103)	(584)	(687)
Sundry expenses	(172)	(976)	(1,148)
Bank charges	(46)	(267)	(313)
Depreciation	(80)	(453)	(533)
Office move costs and travel	(36)	(202)	(238)
Independent Examiners' fee	(585)	(3,315)	(3,900)
	<u>(33,100)</u>	<u>(187,574)</u>	<u>(220,674)</u>
Total	<u>(33,100)</u>	<u>(257,266)</u>	<u>(290,366)</u>

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 NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

4 Employee information	2021	2020
	£	£
Staff costs:		
Wages and salaries	113,632	110,835
Social security costs	7,358	6,824
Pension costs	40,364	39,416
	<u>161,355</u>	<u>157,075</u>
The average monthly number of employees during the year based on head count was made up as follows:	No.	No.
Chief Executive	1	1
Office staff	3	3
	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>
Number of employees whose emoluments fell within the following ranges for the year:		
£60,001 - £70,000	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
Key management salaries (including employer NI & employer pension contributions)	<u>86,445</u>	<u>84,658</u>
5 Tangible fixed assets		Furniture, Furnishings and Office Equipment
Cost or valuation		£
At 1 January 2021		2,911
Disposals		-
Additions		<u>1,145</u>
At 31 December 2021		<u>4,057</u>
Depreciation		
At 1 January 2021		581
Disposals		-
Charge for the year		<u>582</u>
At 31 December 2021		<u>1,163</u>
Net book value		
At 31 December 2021		<u>2,893</u>
At 31 December 2020		<u>2,330</u>

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 NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

6 Fixed asset investments	Quoted	Unquoted	Total	Total
	£	£	2021	2020
Market value brought forward	277,240	66,347	343,587	337,779
Movement on account	70,000	(66,347)	3,653	42,294
Net unrealised (losses)/gains	42,670	-	42,670	(36,486)
Market value carried forward	<u>389,910</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>389,910</u>	<u>343,587</u>
Historical cost at 31 December 2021	<u>255,254</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>255,254</u>	<u>251,601</u>

All investment assets are held within the United Kingdom.

The following investments represent holdings in excess of 5% of the portfolio value at 31 December 2021:

	2021	2020
	£	£
M&G Charifund	305,846	193,177
Black Rock Charities G&I Fund	84,064	84,064
Investments held in cash	-	66,347
7 Debtors	2021	2020
	£	£
Prepayments	1,124	-
Other debtors	21,966	14,576
	<u>23,090</u>	<u>14,576</u>
8 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2021	2020
	£	£
Other taxes and social security costs	9,330	12,183
Other creditors	319	485
Accruals and deferred income	9,000	8,900
	<u>18,649</u>	<u>21,568</u>

FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
 NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)
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9 Restricted funds

Fund	Brought forward £	Income £	Expenditure £	2021 £
Harold Silman Fund	13,240	-	-	13,240
<i>Special projects:</i>				
Science and Policymaking - A report for the British Embassy Santiago	-	15,000	(15,000)	-
Production of a research report "UK science, technology & innovation policy"	-	11,667	(11,667)	-
<i>Grants:</i>				
COP26: Where do we go from here?	-	2,500	(2,500)	-
	13,240	29,167	(29,167)	13,240

Prior year

Fund	Brought forward £	Income £	Expenditure £	2020 £
Harold Silman Fund	13,240	-	-	13,240
	13,240	-	-	13,240

The Harold Silman Fund was established in 1992 to provide support, especially to those from outside London, in travelling to the Foundation's events.

10 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Total £
Current Year				
Tangible assets	2,893	-	-	2,893
Investments	389,910	-	-	389,910
Debtors	23,090	-	-	23,090
Cash at bank and in hand	148,642	13,240	-	161,882
Creditors	(18,649)	-	-	(18,649)
	<u>545,886</u>	<u>13,240</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>559,126</u>
Prior year				
Tangible assets	2,330	-	-	2,330
Investments	343,587	-	-	343,587
Debtors	14,576	-	-	14,576
Cash at bank and in hand	141,673	13,240	-	154,913
Creditors	(21,568)	-	-	(21,568)
	<u>480,598</u>	<u>13,240</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>493,838</u>

FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
 NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)
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11 Transactions with the Trustee Board and related party transactions

During the year the following payments were made to, or on behalf of, the Trustee Board members in respect of accommodation and travel expenses:

		2021		2020
	no	amount	no	amount
Expenses reimbursed to the Trustee Board	-	-	-	-
Expenditure on behalf of the Trustee Board	-	-	-	-

The charity received aggregated donations of £nil (2020: £10,000) and sponsorship of £nil (2020: £nil) from the Trustee Board members, or their related parties, in the year.

During the year the charity received grants totalling £35,000 (2020: £35,000) from The Royal Society and incurred event expenditure totalling £16,085 (2020: £26,124) from The Royal Society where one of the trustees is Chief Executive. At the year end there were no amounts outstanding from/to The Royal Society.

During the year the charity incurred expenditure on an event in the Royal Academy of Engineering / Prince Philip House totalling £7,494 where one of the trustees is Chief Executive. At the year end there were no amounts outstanding from/to the Royal Academy of Engineering / Prince Philip House.

12 Liability of members

The company is limited by guarantee and therefore has no share capital. Each member's guarantee is limited to £1.

13 Prior year movement on funds

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2020 £
Income and endowments from:					
Donations and legacies		60,150	-	-	60,150
Charitable activities					
Sponsorship		18,000	-	-	18,000
Accreditation fees and subscriptions		190,110	-	-	190,110
Learned societies activities and journal		1,847	-	-	1,847
Investments					
Listed investment income		9,430	-	-	9,430
Bank deposit interest		1,101	-	-	1,101
Total		260,638	-	-	260,638
Expenditure on					
Raising funds		(33,100)	-	-	(33,100)
Charitable activities		(257,266)	-	-	(257,266)
Total	3	(290,366)	-	-	(290,366)
Net gains/(losses) on investments	6	(36,486)	-	-	(36,486)
Net income/(expenditure)	2	(46,214)	-	-	(46,214)
Retained funds brought forward		526,814	-	13,240	540,054
Retained funds carried forward		480,600	-	13,240	493,840

14 Operating lease commitments

At 31 December 2021 the Foundation had the following annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases:

	2021 £	2020 £
Land and buildings:		
Within one year	-	36,953
Between two and five years	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>36,953</u>

FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

England & Wales - Charity number 274727

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**TRUSTEES REPORT
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YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020**

Registered Company No. 01327814
Registered Charity No. 00274727

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FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
CHARITY INFORMATION AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

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FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY TRUSTEES REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

The Trustees¹ present the fortieth annual report and unaudited financial statements for the year ended 31st December, 2020. The legal and administrative information set out on page 1 forms part of this Report. The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, 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 (issued January 2019).

The objects of the charitable company are:

- (a) The promotion and development of science and technology and to bring about the greater efficiency of the industry of the United Kingdom; and
- (b) The promotion of research in furtherance of the above object and the publication of the useful results of any such research.

In order to achieve the above objects, the Foundation's main activity is the organising of discussion events in an impartial forum for representatives of both Houses of Parliament, officials from Whitehall and the Devolved Administrations, business leaders, academics and others to debate policy issues with a scientific, engineering, technological or medical element. Events are filmed and videos of speakers, presentation slides and debate reports are uploaded to a website (www.foundation.org.uk), and social media is used to communicate the content of the discussion events to as wide a range of people as possible. A Journal, published three times a year, a weekly blog and a weekly podcast, are used to explore the issues in further depth. The Foundation also runs a Future Leaders Scheme, for a cadre of mid-career professionals from the civil service, industry and academia. Separately, the Foundation publishes guidelines and newsletters to assist learned and professional societies to improve their administrative efficiency.

REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES

Discussion events were organised on a wide range of themes including facial recognition and biometrics, international research collaboration post-Brexit, the effect of the coronavirus on the environment, science and politics, the R&D Road Map and nuclear cogeneration. From March 2020 onwards, all events switched from in-person to online due to the coronavirus pandemic.

The Foundation Future Leaders Scheme continued, with meetings and events switched online due to the pandemic. The first year concluded with a major online conference drawing more than 600 participants in November 2020. A second cohort was recruited at the end of the year, to work together throughout 2021.

The Foundation recorded and released 39 episodes of the FST Podcast in 2020 with a range of guests from across government, industry, academia and beyond. There were 4,494 individual listens to the podcast during 2020. The Foundation also published 47 blogs. Together, the podcasts and blogs have added a greater exploration and set of perspectives to the issues being discussed in the main events, as well as giving opportunities to discuss other issues.

The Foundation also completed a refresh of its website during 2020, and combined with increased social media has seen a significant increase to people accessing its content online.

Newsletters and Guidance Notes were prepared by Keith Lawrey to provide an awareness service to societies of changes to legislation, accounting practice and charity regulation. The full suite of Guidance Notes were revised in 2020 and put online for members for the first time.

The Foundation is grateful to the Society of Operations Engineers for leasing offices at 22 Greencoat Place.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Foundation raises funds from grant giving bodies, sponsorship of events and from subscriptions from Associate Members and Learned Society Members. The trustees are most grateful to the many companies, organisations and departments who support the work of the Foundation.

Donations and sponsorship totalling £78,150 (2019: £137,717) were made to the Foundation from The Royal Society, the Research Councils, Research England, InnovateUK (now UKRI), the Royal Academy of Engineering, the British Academy, The Academy of Medical Sciences, the Peter Jost Memorial Trust and others. Subscriptions totalled £190,110 (2019: £199,949). Income from Learned Society activities and the Journal was £1,847 (2019: £4,226).

¹ Throughout this document the term Trustees refers to the Trustees and Directors who govern the work of the Foundation for Science and Technology.

FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

TRUSTEES REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

FINANCIAL REVIEW (continued)

The net income and expenditure of the Foundation at the year-end was a deficit of £46,215 (2019: surplus of £35,988) after an unrealised loss on the equity investments of £36,486 (2019 gain: £33,308). The total reserves of the Foundation at the end of the financial year decreased from £540,054 to £493,839. Of these, £480,599 (2019: £526,814) were unrestricted and free reserves (unrestricted reserves not tied up in fixed assets) amounted to £478,269 (2019: £525,694).

The ten-year time series of the surplus/(deficit) for each year is shown in the table below.

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Surplus/(deficit) before equity gain or loss	2,163	13,351	(9,380)	(8,681)	(1,091)	(26,927)	(45,199)	(36,691)	2,680	(9,728)
Surplus/(deficit)	(6,374)	28,795	24,305	(8,819)	(1,680)	(12,653)	(30,104)	(67,464)	35,988	(46,215)

CORPORATE STATUS

The Foundation was incorporated on 31st August, 1977 as a private Company Limited by Guarantee (Registered in England Number 01327814). Authorisation to dispense with the word “Limited” was granted on 1st February, 1978. The Foundation for Science and Technology is a Registered Charity (Registered Charity Number 274727).

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES’S RESPONSIBILITIES

The Trustees (who are also directors of The Foundation for Science and Technology for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

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

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charity’s website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

GOVERNANCE

A Trustee Board with eight members was set up in 2016. The Board replaced the Council which became an advisory body.

The Trustee Board meets three or more times a year to oversee the work of the charity and delegate day-to-day management of the Foundation to the Chief Executive, Gavin Costigan. During the year, when members were appointed as a Trustee as part of their induction they were informed of the activities of the Foundation and the working procedure of the Trustees as well as provided with relevant strategy papers and financial statements.

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PUBLIC BENEFIT

The Foundation has considered the guidance published on public benefit duties by the Charities Commission and considers that it has delivered public benefit through the aims of the Foundation which are delivered through organising debates about key policy issues while maintaining an impartial platform, by running the Foundation Future Leaders Programme, by publishing podcasts and blogs, and by assisting the administrators of learned and professional societies who through their activities also deliver public benefit. The meeting summaries and journal reports for the debates hosted by the Foundation are widely distributed and freely available to the public on the website (www.foundation.org.uk), as are all podcasts and blogs. The website provides valuable educational material for universities and schools.

RESERVES POLICY

The Trustees reviewed the financial position of the Foundation during the year and judged that the level of reserves is sufficient to underpin the Members' guarantee and to enable the Foundation to commit to the forward programme with confidence, usually before sponsorship or other sources have been arranged or assured and to organise topical events at short notice. Also adequate financial resources ensure that the Foundation remains independent of, and not reliant on, the financial support of any one organisation or interest. Independence and neutrality are crucial to the fulfilment of the Foundation's charitable objectives.

The May 2018 Trustee Board meeting considered the Reserves Policy in conjunction with the Investment Policy and, in so doing, confirmed the four main purposes of holding financial reserves. These are:

(a) *To ensure the Foundation can cover administrative and operating costs.* The Foundation depends on earning a surplus on sponsorship and on investment income to cover any deficit. Both these sources are unpredictable and can be highly variable, moreover total dependence on sponsorship could on occasion weaken the Foundation's independent position.

(b) *To assure the Foundation's position of independence, and freedom and responsiveness of action.* It is important for the Foundation to be able to organise events which deal with controversial issues, which fail to attract sponsorship or for which sponsorship is intentionally eschewed or which are unexpectedly significant and merit rapid attention. It is equally important that the Foundation is not beholden to any pressure group or other body by reason of its dependence on their financial support. Sufficient financial resources are required for the Trustees to maintain such independence.

(c) *To provide financial headroom for the Foundation to develop its activities for future as well as current members.* The Foundation operates with minimal staff. The current programme absorbs practically all of the Chief Executive's time and any significant developments would call for the commitment of resources to cover extra staff and facilities. Such initiatives might take a year or two to become self-financing and the Foundation could not undertake them unless it could absorb the risk of failure without prejudice to the above purposes. The Foundation serves its members and the wider community; the management of reserves should recognise that future members may wish to pursue new initiatives or priorities and should not unduly restrict such possibilities.

(d) *To provide reassurance for suppliers.* Adequate reserves enable the Foundation to commit itself to activities such as booking event facilities and maintain confidence in its credit worthiness.

At the May 2018 Trustee Board meeting, it was agreed that the Foundation should aim to keep a reserve of some £500,000.

INVESTMENT POWERS AND POLICY

Under the Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Foundation has the power to make any investment that the Trustees see fit and operates to an agreed Investment Policy.

As part of the investment policy, the Trustees have a series of guidelines, which were reviewed and revised at the July 2020 Trustee Board meeting.

These are as follows:

1. The investment portfolio should be suitably diversified to mitigate risk, commensurate with the charitable status of the Foundation.
2. The maximum invested in any one commercial bank or building society should not exceed the limit of the savings guarantee of the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS) except for short periods to meet operational requirements.
3. Working capital in immediate access accounts including cash held by the payroll provider should not normally exceed £180,000.

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INVESTMENT POWERS AND POLICY (continued)

4. Remaining funds, which are expected to be held for five years or more, are invested in a diversified portfolio of investment funds in line with an agreed risk level. The balance between UK/World, sectors and specific funds should be reviewed regularly by the Trustee Board.

TRUSTEE BOARD MEMBERS

The following served on the Trustee Board during the year ended 31 December 2020:

The Rt Hon the Lord Willetts FRS	Chair
The Baroness O'Neill of Bengarve (until 8 July 2020)	Deputy Chair
Sir Donald Brydon CBE	Trustee
The Lord Haskel (until 8 July 2020)	Trustee
Dr Sarah Main	Trustee
Dr Julie Maxton CBE	Trustee
Patrick McHugh	Honorary Secretary
Chi Onwurah MP	Trustee
John Neilson	Honorary Treasurer
Dr Hayaatun Sillem	Trustee

In accordance with Article 35 of the Constitution, the Honorary Officers retire each year.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE

The Chief Executive is Gavin Costigan.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The Foundation trustees will continue to pursue the strategy of providing an impartial platform for discussion by Members of both Houses of Parliament, officials from Whitehall and Devolved Administrations, industrialists, academics and others about policy issues of importance and relevance to society involving science, engineering, technology and medicine. Issues raised during the discussions will be published by the Foundation in a report of the meeting, in FST Journal and on the Foundation website – www.foundation.org.uk. Social media will be used to draw people to this material. Further exploration of the issues with a wider group of people will take place via the podcast, which will continue throughout the year. The podcasts, and the blogsite, will also allow exploration of issues beyond the main evening event programme. Secondly, the Foundation will continue the Foundation Future Leaders Programme, developing knowledge, skills and connections for mid-career researchers from the civil service, industry and academia. Thirdly, the Foundation will provide guidance and support to Learned and Professional Society members to improve the efficiency of their administration and reduce their risk exposures. The Foundation will continue to invite companies, organisations and government bodies to join as Associate Members and will strive to maintain a balance between the interest, size and nature of the organisations represented while meeting a wider obligation to serve society.

By Order of the Trustees

The Rt Hon the Lord Willetts FRS
Chair

Date: 24 April 2021

FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company (company number 1327814 and charity number 274727) for the year ended 31 December 2020 which are set out on pages 7 to 14.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since the Company's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

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:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

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.

Paul Windmill FCA

Dated: 30 April 2021

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Chartered Accountants
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 STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (Incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account)
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies		60,150	-	-	60,150	73,750
Charitable activities						
Sponsorship		18,000	-	-	18,000	63,967
Accreditation fees and subscriptions		190,110	-	-	190,110	199,949
Learned societies activities and journal		1,847	-	-	1,847	4,226
Investments						
Listed investment income		9,430	-	-	9,430	11,682
Bank deposit interest		1,101	-	-	1,101	1,225
Release of decoration provision		-	-	-	-	12,000
Total		280,638	-	-	280,638	366,799
Expenditure on						
Raising funds		(33,100)	-	-	(33,100)	(36,339)
Charitable activities		(257,266)	-	-	(257,266)	(327,780)
Total	3	(290,366)	-	-	(290,366)	(364,118)
Net gains/(losses) on investments	6	(36,486)	-	-	(36,486)	33,308
Net income/(expenditure)	2	(46,215)	-	-	(46,215)	35,988
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		(46,215)	-	-	(46,215)	35,988
Retained funds brought forward		526,814	-	13,240	540,054	504,066
Retained funds carried forward		480,599	-	13,240	493,839	540,054

The notes on pages 9 to 14 form part of the financial statements.
 There are no recognised gains and losses other than those stated above.
 There were no discontinued operations in the year.

FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Notes	2020 £	2020 £	2019 £	2019 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	5		2,330		1,120
Investments	6		<u>343,587</u>		<u>337,779</u>
			345,918		338,899
Current assets					
Debtors	7	14,576		35,704	
Cash at bank - on deposit		75,902		26,315	
- current account		79,011		143,587	
- The Harold Silman Fund		-		13,240	
Cash in hand		<u>-</u>		<u>25</u>	
		169,489		218,871	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	<u>(21,568)</u>		<u>(17,716)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>147,921</u>		<u>201,155</u>
Net assets			<u>493,839</u>		<u>540,054</u>
Financed by:					
Funds					
Restricted	9		13,240		13,240
Unrestricted			<u>480,599</u>		<u>526,814</u>
	11,12		<u>493,839</u>		<u>540,054</u>

For the year ending 31 December 2020, the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of the accounts.

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

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The Rt Hon the Lord Willetts FRS - Chair

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Mr J Neilson - Honorary Treasurer

Dated: 24 April 2021

The notes on pages 9 to 14 form part of the financial statements.

FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

1 Accounting policies

(a) Basis of preparation and assessment of going concern

The financial statements 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. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland issued on 1 January 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland (FRS102) and the Companies Act 2006.

The charity comprises a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

(b) Income recognition

Income is recognised 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. Income received in advance is deferred until the criteria for recognition are met.

Donations and sponsorship income are recognised when the charity has been notified of the amounts and settlement date. If a donation or sponsorship is given to support a specific event the income is deferred and not recognised until the event has taken place.

(c) Expenditure recognition and allocation of costs

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. All expenses including support costs and governance costs are allocated or apportioned to the applicable expenditure heading.

Direct costs comprise those costs that relate to the delivery of the charities activities or raising funds. These costs are allocated to the activity to which they relate.

Support costs are those costs incurred in support of these activities. Included in support costs are costs incurred in the governance of the charity which are primarily associated with the constitutional and statutory requirements.

Support costs are allocated to activities based on an estimate of staff time on each activity as follows:

Charitable activities - 85% Raising funds - 15%

(d) Depreciation of tangible assets

Items costing more than £500 are capitalised and valued at historic cost. Depreciation is provided on tangible assets at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life. For furniture, furnishings and office equipment a depreciation figure of 20% to 25% per annum on cost is used.

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1 Accounting policies (continued)

(e) Fixed Asset Investments

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

The statement of financial activity includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluation and disposals throughout the year.

(f) Fund structure

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Designated funds are funds which are set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in note 9 to the financial statements.

2 Net incoming resources

2020
£

2019
£

This is stated after charging:

Independent examiner's fee

3,900

4,250

Depreciation on tangible fixed assets

533

1,038

3a Total resources expended - current year

	Raising Funds	Charitable Activities	2020
	£	£	£
Direct costs			
Event expenditure	-	(28,856)	(28,856)
Journals and publications	-	(38,633)	(38,633)
Bad debt write off	-	(2,203)	(2,203)
	-	(69,692)	(69,692)
Support costs			
Rent, rates and services	(7,391)	(41,880)	(49,271)
Salaries and national insurance	(23,561)	(133,513)	(157,074)
Accountancy and bookkeeping fees	(103)	(582)	(685)
Printing, computing, stationery, postage and telephone	(1,023)	(5,800)	(6,823)
Insurance	(103)	(584)	(687)
Sundry expenses	(172)	(976)	(1,148)
Bank charges	(47)	(269)	(316)
Depreciation	(80)	(453)	(533)
Office move costs and travel	(36)	(202)	(237)
Independent Examiners' fee	(585)	(3,315)	(3,900)
	(33,100)	(187,574)	(220,674)
Total	(33,100)	(257,266)	(290,366)

3b Total resources expended - prior year

	Raising Funds	Charitable Activities	2019
	£	£	£
Direct costs			
Event expenditure	-	(91,721)	(91,721)
Journals and publications	-	(24,340)	(24,340)
Bad debt write off	-	(5,802)	(5,802)
	-	(121,863)	(121,863)
Support costs			
Rent, rates and services	(8,390)	(47,541)	(55,931)
Salaries and national insurance	(24,065)	(136,367)	(160,432)
Recruitment	-	-	-
Accountancy and bookkeeping fees	(85)	(481)	(566)
Printing, computing, stationery, postage and telephone	(2,001)	(11,342)	(13,343)
Insurance	(101)	(571)	(672)
Sundry expenses	(165)	(935)	(1,100)
Depreciation	(156)	(882)	(1,038)
Office move costs and travel	(739)	(4,186)	(4,924)
Independent Examiners' fee	(637)	(3,612)	(4,250)
	(36,339)	(205,917)	(242,255)
Total	(36,339)	(327,780)	(364,118)

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4 Employee information	2020	2019
	£	£
Staff costs:		
Wages and salaries	110,835	120,259
Social security costs	6,824	13,289
Pension costs	<u>39,416</u>	<u>26,884</u>
	<u>157,075</u>	<u>160,432</u>
The average monthly number of employees during the year based on head count was made up as follows:	No.	No.
Chief Executive	1	1
Office staff	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>
	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>
Number of employees whose emoluments fell within the following ranges for the year:		
£60,001 - £70,000	<u>1</u>	<u>-</u>
Key management salaries (including employer NI & employer pension contributions)	<u>84,658</u>	<u>95,163</u>
 5 Tangible fixed assets		Furniture, Furnishings and Office Equipment
Cost or valuation		£
At 1 January 2020		1,169
Disposals		-
Additions		<u>1,742</u>
At 31 December 2020		<u>2,911</u>
Depreciation		
At 1 January 2020		49
Disposals		-
Charge for the year		<u>533</u>
At 31 December 2020		<u>581</u>
Net book value		
At 31 December 2020		<u>2,330</u>
At 31 December 2019		<u>1,120</u>

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6 Fixed asset investments	Quoted	Unquoted	Total	Total
	£	£	2020	2019
	£	£	£	£
Market value brought forward	233,727	104,052	337,779	303,279
Movement on account	80,000	(37,705)	42,295	1,192
Net unrealised (losses)/gains	(36,486)	-	(36,486)	33,308
	<u>277,241</u>	<u>66,347</u>	<u>343,587</u>	<u>337,779</u>
Market value carried forward				
Historical cost at 31 December 2020	<u>185,254</u>	<u>66,347</u>	<u>251,601</u>	<u>209,306</u>

All investment assets are held within the United Kingdom.

The following investments represent holdings in excess of 5% of the portfolio value at 31 December 2020:

	2020	2019
	£	£
M&G Charifund	193,177	200,419
Black Rock Charities G&I Fund	84,064	-
Investments held in cash	66,347	102,860
	<u>14,576</u>	<u>35,704</u>
	<u>14,576</u>	<u>35,704</u>

7 Debtors	2020	2019
	£	£
Other debtors	14,576	35,704
	<u>14,576</u>	<u>35,704</u>

8 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2020	2019
	£	£
Other taxes and social security costs	12,183	12,080
Other creditors	485	1,386
Accruals and deferred income	8,900	4,250
	<u>21,568</u>	<u>17,716</u>

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9 Restricted funds

Fund	Brought forward	Income expenditure		2020
	£	£	£	£
Harold Silman Fund	<u>13,240</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13,240</u>
Prior year				
Fund	Brought forward	Income expenditure		2019
	£	£	£	£
Harold Silman Fund	<u>13,426</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>(206)</u>	<u>13,240</u>

The Harold Silman Fund was established in 1992 to provide support, especially to those from outside London, in travelling to the Foundation's events.

10 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Designated Funds		Total
	£	£	£	£
Current Year				
Tangible assets	2,330	-	-	2,330
Investments	343,587	-	-	343,587
Debtors	14,576	-	-	14,576
Cash at bank and in hand	141,673	13,240	-	154,913
Creditors	<u>(21,568)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(21,568)</u>
	<u>480,599</u>	<u>13,240</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>493,839</u>
Prior year				
Tangible assets	1,120	-	-	1,120
Investments	337,779	-	-	337,779
Debtors	35,704	-	-	35,704
Cash at bank and in hand	169,927	13,240	-	183,167
Creditors	<u>(17,716)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(17,716)</u>
	<u>526,814</u>	<u>13,240</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>540,054</u>

11 Transactions with the Trustee Board and related party transactions

During the year the following payments were made to, or on behalf of, the Trustee Board members in respect of accommodation and travel expenses:

	2020		2019	
	no	amount	no	amount
Expenses reimbursed to the Trustee Board	-	-	-	-
Expenditure on behalf of the Trustee Board	-	-	-	-

The charity received aggregated donations of £10,000 (2019: £10,000) and sponsorship of £nil (2019: £nil) from the Trustee Board members, or their related parties, in the year.

During the year the charity received grants totalling £35,000 (2019: £35,000) from The Royal Society and incurred event expenditure totalling £26,124 (2019: £70,696) from The Royal Society where one of the trustees is Chief Executive. At the year end there were no amounts outstanding from/to The Royal Society.

12 Liability of members

The company is limited by guarantee and therefore has no share capital. Each member's guarantee is limited to £1.

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13 Prior year movement on funds

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2019 £
Income and endowments from:					
Donations and legacies		58,650	-	15,100	73,750
Charitable activities					-
Sponsorship		63,967	-	-	63,967
Accreditation fees and subscriptions		199,949	-	-	199,949
Learned societies activities and journal		4,226	-	-	4,226
Investments					-
Listed investment income		11,682	-	-	11,682
Bank deposit interest		1,205	-	20	1,225
Release of decoration provision		12,000	-	-	12,000
Total		351,679	-	15,120	366,799
Expenditure on					
Raising funds		(36,339)	-	-	(36,339)
Charitable activities		(312,474)	-	(15,306)	(327,780)
Total	3	(348,812)	-	(15,306)	(364,118)
Net gains/(losses) on investments	6	33,308	-	-	33,308
Net income/(expenditure)	2	36,174	-	(186)	35,988
Retained funds brought forward		490,640	-	13,426	504,066
Retained funds carried forward		526,814	-	13,240	540,054

14 Operating lease commitments

At 31 December 2020 the Foundation had the following annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases:

	2020 £	2019 £
Land and buildings:		
Within one year	36,953	49,270
Between two and five years	-	36,953
	<u>36,953</u>	<u>86,223</u>