

**Charity Registration No. 276203**

**Company Registration No. 01376848 (England and Wales)**

**BEN-GURION UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION**

**A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE AND NOT HAVING A SHARE CAPITAL**

**GOVERNORS' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2020**

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**LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

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<b>Governors</b>	Harold Paisner (Chairman and President) Ann Berger Martin Paisner CBE Henry Charles (Appointed 25 February 2021)
<b>Secretary</b>	Harold Paisner
<b>Charity number</b>	276203
<b>Company number</b>	01376848
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**GOVERNORS' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)**  
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The Governors present their report and audited financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2020.

The Governors deeply mourn the passing of its longstanding treasurer and member of the board of Governors, Eric Charles, a respected and devoted friend whose unfailing involvement and support, integrity and generosity of spirit will be sorely missed by so many.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the Foundation's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Companies Act 2006 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016).

**Objectives and activities**

The objectives of the Foundation are as follows:

1. to assist in the advancement of the educational aims and activities of the Ben-Gurion University of the Negev situated in Beersheva in the State of Israel ("the University"),
2. through, or in association with the University, to promote or assist in promoting such charitable purposes connected with the advancement of education in the State of Israel or elsewhere.

The Governors confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Charity's aims and objectives and in planning future activities and setting the grant making policy for the year.

The Foundation uses one volunteer to assist with fundraising.

**Achievements and performance**

During the year various donations were made to the University including contributions towards the cost of equipment for energy research as well as continuing the support for students through the provision of scholarships.

The monitoring of these projects is normally carried out in conjunction with the major donors.

**Financial review**

At 30 September 2020, the state of affairs of the Foundation was satisfactory.

Details of the income and expenditure for the period are shown on page 8.

Donations, legacies, contributions towards overheads and similar income receivable in the period totalled £1,630,493 (2019 - £5,182,220). This year's legacies comprised distributions of £900,000 received from the Estate of the late Manya Igel and £20,000 from the Estate of the late Michal Karny.

Investment income amounted to £64,471 - an increase of £50,035 compared with the previous year.

Grants payable totalled £2,438,381 (2019 - £343,985) and were made in accordance with the objects of the Foundation.

The costs of managing and administering the Foundation in the year decreased from £93,584 for the previous year to £9 for the year ended 30 September 2020, mainly due to the set off of gains on foreign exchange of £77,640.

The balance sheet on page 10 of the financial statements shows the financial position of the Foundation as at 30 September 2020.

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**Financial review (continued)**

Total assets less liabilities amounted to £4,309,063 (2019 - £5,082,713), represented by the accumulated balances on the restricted endowment and restricted and unrestricted income funds. The net current assets represent monies held in order to meet ongoing overheads and also funds received that have yet to be applied towards the Foundation's charitable objectives. The net assets include restricted funds of £3,698,827 (2019 - £4,703,064), which have been, or will be, remitted to the University or spent subsequent to the balance sheet date.

**Investment Policy**

Under the Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Foundation has the power to make investments. The Governors have decided that excess working capital be invested in charities fixed interest investment bonds in addition to holding bank deposits.

**Reserves**

The unrestricted funds are needed to cover the costs of management, administration and fund raising without which the Foundation could not function.

**Risk Management**

The Governors regularly review the major risks which the Foundation faces and believe that maintaining the free reserves at the current level stated in the financial review above, combined with an annual review of the controls over key financial systems, will provide sufficient resources in the face of adverse conditions. The Governors have also examined other operational risks which they face and confirm they have established systems to mitigate any significant risks.

**Plans for the future**

There have been no significant events affecting the Foundation since the year end and no major future developments in the activities of the Foundation are anticipated.

**Coronavirus (Covid-19)**

The World Health Organization declared the Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak a pandemic on 11 March 2020. The pandemic, and the measures to control its human impact, have resulted in disruptions to economic activity and business operations worldwide. This could potentially have a financial impact on the charity, depending on factors such as the duration and continued spread of the outbreak and the effects on the economy overall. The outcome of all these factors is highly uncertain.

The charity has undertaken an assessment of its plans, as part of its continuity and contingency planning, and the Governors believe it is well placed financially and operationally to withstand the uncertainties ahead. At the date of approval of the financial statements, the charity is unable to determine a reliable estimate of the financial impact of COVID-19 on its financial performance and position. The Governors have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future.

**Structure, governance and management**

Ben-Gurion University Foundation ("the Foundation") is a company limited by guarantee, incorporated in 1978. The Foundation is also a registered charity and is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association and by the Charities Act 2011.

The company's Articles were amended so that in future an audit will not be required other than under the provisions of the Charities Act.

The Governors, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year and at the time when the financial statements were approved were:

Harold Paisner (Chairman and President)

Eric Charles (Honorary Treasurer)

(Deceased 27 December 2020)

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Ann Berger  
Martin Paisner CBE  
Henry Charles

(Appointed 25 February 2021)

None of the Governors has any beneficial interest in the company. All of the Governors are members of the company and guarantee to contribute £1 in the event of winding up.

The power to appoint new Governors is vested in the Board of Governors.

The Foundation's day to day activities are administered by the Administrative Director, Hannah Allen. The Foundation's objectives are met in such proportion and manner as the Board of Governors shall in their absolute discretion from time to time determine.

All the Governors meet regularly with the Administrative Director as required to consider and plan fund-raising events and promotional activities and any other matters relating to the Foundation.

The Governors meet regularly throughout the year to review the affairs of the Charity, to take any necessary decisions, and if thought fit, pass any required formal resolutions.

Details of any related party transactions with the Governors are shown in the notes to the accounts.

**Asset cover for funds**

Note 19 on page 20 sets out an analysis of the assets attributable to the various funds. These assets are sufficient to meet the Foundation's obligations on a fund by fund basis.

**Fundraising report**

Funds are raised from the public mainly from long-term supporters, advertising in relevant publications and on the Foundation's website. No professional fund-raiser or commercial participator carried on any of these activities.

The Foundation was not subject to an undertaking to be bound by any voluntary scheme for regulating fundraising or voluntary standard of fund-raising in respect of activities on behalf of the Foundation.

No complaints were received in the year under review about activities by the Foundation for the purpose of fundraising.

The Foundation is conscious of protecting vulnerable people in connection with its fundraising activities and does not engage in behaviour that is an unreasonable intrusion on a person's privacy, is unreasonably persistent or places undue pressure on a person to give money or other property.

**Auditor**

In accordance with the company's articles, a resolution proposing that Landau Morley LLP be reappointed as auditor of the company will be put to a General Meeting.

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

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

*Henry Charles*

**Henry Charles**

Governor

Dated: 3/6/21

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**STATEMENT OF GOVERNORS' RESPONSIBILITIES**  
***FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2020***

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The Governors, who are also the directors of Ben-Gurion University Foundation for the purpose of company law, are responsible for preparing the Governors' Report and the accounts in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the Governors to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Foundation and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that year.

In preparing these accounts, the Governors are required to:

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

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

So far as each of the Governors is aware at the time of approving the Governors' annual report:

- there is no relevant information of which the company's auditors are unaware, and
- the Governors have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditors are aware of that information.

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**  
**TO THE GOVERNORS OF BEN-GURION UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION**

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**Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of Ben-Gurion University Foundation (the 'Foundation') for the year ended 30 September 2020 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the statement of financial position, the statement of cash flows and the notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland* (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 30 September 2020 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

**Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the Foundation in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

**Conclusions relating to going concern**

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- the Governors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the Governors have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the Foundation's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

**Other information**

The Governors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.



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**Matters on which we are required to report by exception**

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 require us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the financial statements is inconsistent in any material respect with the Governors' report; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

**Responsibilities of Governors**

As explained more fully in the statement of Governors' responsibilities, the Governors, who are also the directors of the Foundation for the purpose of company law, are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Governors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Governors are responsible for assessing the Foundation's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Governors either intend to liquidate the Foundation or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

**Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements**

We have been appointed as auditor under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: <http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

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TO THE GOVERNORS OF BEN-GURION UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION**

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**Use of our report**

This report is made solely to the charity's governors, as a body, in accordance with part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's governors those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's governors as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

*Landau Morley LLP*

**Landau Morley LLP**

*10 June 2021*

**Chartered Accountants  
Statutory Auditor**

Landau Morley LLP  
325-327 Oldfield Lane North  
Greenford  
Middlesex  
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Landau Morley LLP is eligible for appointment as auditor of the Foundation by virtue of its eligibility for appointment as auditor of a company under of section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**  
**INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2020**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
<b><u>Income from:</u></b>						
Donations, legacies, contributions towards overheads and similar income	3	257,099	1,373,394	-	1,630,493	5,182,220
Investments	4	64,471	-	-	64,471	14,436
<b>Total income</b>		321,570	1,373,394	-	1,694,964	5,196,656
<b><u>Expenditure on:</u></b>						
Raising funds	5	93	-	-	93	18,754
Charitable activities	6	60,666	2,377,631	-	2,438,297	418,815
<b>Total expenditure</b>		60,759	2,377,631	-	2,438,390	437,569
Net gains/(loss) on investments	10	(30,224)	-	-	(30,224)	3,125
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		230,587	(1,004,237)	-	(773,650)	4,762,212
Fund balances at 1 October 2019		329,649	4,703,064	50,000	5,082,713	320,501
<b>Fund balances at 30 September 2020</b>		560,236	3,698,827	50,000	4,309,063	5,082,713

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

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Comparative Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 30 September 2019.

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total 2019 £
<b><u>Income from:</u></b>					
Donations, legacies, contributions towards overheads and similar income	3	136,347	5,045,873	-	5,182,220
Investments	4	14,436	-	-	14,436
<b>Total income</b>		150,783	5,045,873	-	5,196,656
<b><u>Expenditure on:</u></b>					
Raising funds	5	18,754	-	-	18,754
Charitable activities	6	74,830	343,985	-	418,815
<b>Total expenditure</b>		93,584	343,985	-	437,569
Net (loss)/gains on investments	10	3,125	-	-	3,125
<b>Net income/(expenditure) before transfers</b>		60,324	4,701,888	-	4,762,212
Gross transfers between funds		200	(200)	-	-
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		60,524	4,701,688	-	4,762,212
Fund balances at 1 October 2018		269,125	1,376	50,000	320,501
<b>Fund balances at 30 September 2019</b>		329,649	4,703,064	50,000	5,082,713

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**  
**AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2020**

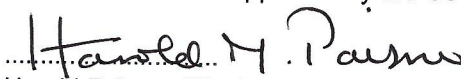
	Notes	2020 £	£	2019 £	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Property, plant and equipment	12		703		124
Investments	13		243,065		273,289
			<u>243,768</u>		<u>273,413</u>
<b>Current assets</b>					
Trade and other receivables	15	25,493		10,548	
Cash at bank and in hand		4,101,427		4,817,417	
		<u>4,126,920</u>		<u>4,827,965</u>	
<b>Current liabilities</b>	16	(61,625)		(18,665)	
Net current assets			<u>4,065,295</u>		<u>4,809,300</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			<u>4,309,063</u>		<u>5,082,713</u>
<b>Capital funds</b>					
Endowment funds	17		50,000		50,000
<b>Income funds</b>					
Restricted funds	18		3,698,827		4,703,064
Unrestricted funds			560,236		329,649
			<u>4,309,063</u>		<u>5,082,713</u>


The company is entitled to exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 30 September 2020, although an audit has been carried out under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011. No member of the company has deposited a notice, pursuant to section 476, requiring an audit of these accounts under the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

The Governors acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the charity keeps accounting records which comply with section 386 of the Act and for preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.

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

The accounts were approved by the Governors on 31/6/21

  
Harold Paisner (Chairman and President)  
Governor

  
Henry Charles  
Governor

Company Registration No. 01376848

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**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2020**

		2020		2019	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>					
Cash (absorbed by)/generated from operations	22		(779,568)		4,744,279
<b>Investing activities</b>					
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(893)		-	
Interest received		64,471		14,436	
<b>Net cash generated from investing activities</b>			63,578		14,436
<b>Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents</b>			(715,990)		4,758,715
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year			4,817,417		58,702
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at end of year</b>			4,101,427		4,817,417

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**1 Accounting policies**

**Charity information**

Ben-Gurion University Foundation is a charitable company registered in England and Wales. The registered office is Devonshire House, 1 Devonshire Street, London W1W 5DR.

The Foundation's principal address is ORT House, 126 Albert Street, London NW1 7NE.

**1.1 Accounting convention**

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Foundation's governing document, the Companies Act 2006 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016). The Foundation is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

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

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

**1.2 Going concern**

The World Health Organization declared the Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak a pandemic on 11 March 2020. The pandemic, and the measures to control its human impact, have resulted in disruptions to economic activity and business operations worldwide. This could potentially have a financial impact on the charity, depending on factors such as the duration and continued spread of the outbreak and the effects on the economy overall. The outcome of all these factors is highly uncertain. The Governors are unable to determine a reliable estimate of the financial impact of COVID-19 on its financial performance and position but at the time of approving the financial statements, the Governors have a reasonable expectation that the Foundation has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Governors continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

**1.3 Charitable funds**

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

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

Endowment funds are subject to specific conditions by donors that the capital must be maintained by the Foundation.

**1.4 Income**

Incoming resources are accounted for on a receivable basis and comprise donations, legacies, contributions towards overheads, receipts from functions, receipts under gift aid and bank interest. Where a donor has made a legally enforceable commitment to make future donations to the Foundation, these are recognised when the commitment is made.

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

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**1 Accounting policies**

**(Continued)**

**1.5 Expenditure**

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category.

Where the Foundation has entered into a legally enforceable contract to make charitable grants in future periods, this expenditure is recognised in the period in which the contract is made. This is also the case where there is a constructive obligation to make such grants. The Foundation is not registered for VAT and accordingly expenditure is shown gross of irrecoverable VAT.

Support costs have been allocated to the Foundation's primary purpose of supporting the University.

**1.6 Equipment**

Equipment is initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Office fittings and equipment	15% p.a. on cost.
Computer Equipment	Over two years on a straight line basis.

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year.

**1.7 Non-current investments**

Fixed asset investments are initially measured at transaction price excluding transaction costs, and are subsequently measured at fair value at each reporting date. Changes in fair value are recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred.

**1.8 Impairment of non-current assets**

At each reporting period end date, the Foundation reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

**1.9 Cash and cash equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand and deposits held at call with banks.

**1.10 Financial instruments**

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

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

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



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**1 Accounting policies**

**(Continued)**

***Basic financial assets***

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

***Basic financial liabilities***

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

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

***Derecognition of financial liabilities***

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

**1.11 Employee benefits**

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

**1.12 Retirement benefits**

The Foundation operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions are charged in the accounts as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the scheme.

**1.13 Foreign exchange**

Income and expenditure account items are translated at an average exchange rate, actual rate or period end rate, whichever is appropriate. Assets and liabilities are translated at the exchange rates ruling at the balance sheet date.

The net differences arising have been dealt with through the statement of financial activities.

**1.14 Investment Income**

Income distributions from investments and interest on bank deposits are both accounted for on an accruals basis.

**1.15 Fund Accounting**

The unrestricted income fund consists of funds to be used for the purposes of the Foundation's objectives at the discretion of its Board of Governors.

Restricted funds represent donations received which have been or will be paid to the University at the stipulation of the donor.

The restricted capital fund comprises a permanent endowment fund (see Note 17). The income generated by the funds held on this endowment is unrestricted and is therefore included as part of the unrestricted income funds for the year.

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**2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements**

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

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

**3 Donations, legacies, contributions towards overheads and similar income**

	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Restricted funds</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Restricted funds</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>2020</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2020</b>	2019	2019	2019
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Donations and gifts	107,099	603,394	710,493	136,347	345,873	482,220
Legacies receivable	150,000	770,000	920,000	-	4,700,000	4,700,000
	<u>257,099</u>	<u>1,373,394</u>	<u>1,630,493</u>	<u>136,347</u>	<u>5,045,873</u>	<u>5,182,220</u>

The legacies receivable of £920,000 consist of distributions of £900,000 received from the Estate of the late Manya Igel and £20,000 received from the Estate of the late Michael Karny.

**4 Investments**

	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>
	<b>2020</b>	2019
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Income from listed investments	9,694	9,774
Interest receivable	54,777	4,662
	<u>64,471</u>	<u>14,436</u>

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**5 Raising funds**

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Fundraising and publicity costs	93	18,754
	<u>93</u>	<u>18,754</u>

**6 Charitable activities**

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Staff costs	33,608	33,312
Depreciation and impairment	314	75
Insurance	-	259
Repairs and maintenance	2,530	2,654
Postage and stationery	1,810	1,724
Telephone expenses	2,140	2,725
Travel expenses	906	283
Computer running costs	713	453
Sundry expenses	116	412
Gains on foreign exchange	(77,640)	-
Rent	17,600	17,478
Bank charges	859	659
Accountancy fees	14,280	11,220
Auditor's/Independent Examiner's fee	2,520	2,490
Advertising	160	1,086
	<u>(84)</u>	<u>74,830</u>
Grant funding of activities (see note 7)	2,438,381	343,985
	<u>2,438,297</u>	<u>418,815</u>
<b>Analysis by fund</b>		
Unrestricted funds	60,666	74,830
Restricted funds	2,377,631	343,985
	<u>2,438,297</u>	<u>418,815</u>

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**7 Grants payable**

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Grants to institutions:		
Ben-Gurion University of the Negev	2,438,381	343,985

**8 Governors**

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

**9 Employees**

**Number of employees**

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
	<b>Number</b>	<b>Number</b>
Employee(s)	1	1

**Employment costs**

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Wages and salaries	31,212	30,303
Social security costs	835	1,494
Other pension costs	1,561	1,515
	<u>33,608</u>	<u>33,312</u>

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was £60,000 or more.

**10 Net gains/(losses) on investments**

	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>
	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Revaluation of investments	(30,224)	3,125

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**11 Taxation**

No liability for taxation arises as the Foundation is a registered charity and is, therefore, exempt from taxation on the income arising from its normal activities.

**12 Equipment**

	Office fittings and equipment £	Computer Equipment £	Total £
<b>Cost</b>			
At 1 October 2019	1,901	10,320	12,221
Additions	593	300	893
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At 30 September 2020	2,494	10,620	13,114
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<b>Depreciation and impairment</b>			
At 1 October 2019	1,777	10,320	12,097
Depreciation charged in the year	164	150	314
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At 30 September 2020	1,941	10,470	12,411
	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
<b>Carrying amount</b>			
At 30 September 2020	553	150	703
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At 30 September 2019	124	-	124
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**13 Fixed asset investments**

	Listed investments £
<b>Cost or valuation</b>	
At 1 October 2019	273,289
Valuation changes	(30,224)
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At 30 September 2020	243,065
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<b>Carrying amount</b>	
At 30 September 2020	243,065
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At 30 September 2019	273,289
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**Fixed asset investments revalued**

These investments have a historical cost of £265,000 (2019: £265,000).

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<b>14 Financial instruments</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Carrying amount of financial assets</b>		
Debt instruments measured at amortised cost	19,354	301
Equity instruments measured at fair value at the year end	243,065	273,289
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<b>Carrying amount of financial liabilities</b>		
Measured at amortised cost	60,825	18,145
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>

<b>15 Trade and other receivables</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Amounts falling due within one year:</b>		
Other receivables	19,354	301
Prepayments and accrued income	6,139	10,247
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	25,493	10,548
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>

<b>16 Current liabilities</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Other taxation and social security	800	520
Other payables	46,425	5,307
Accruals and deferred income	14,400	12,838
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	61,625	18,665
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>

<b>17 Endowment funds</b>						
Capital Funds						
	<b>Movement in funds</b>					
	<b>Balance at</b>	<b>Incoming</b>	<b>Resources</b>	<b>Transfers</b>	<b>Investments</b>	<b>Balance at</b>
	<b>1 October 2019</b>	<b>resources</b>	<b>expended</b>		<b>gains/losses</b>	<b>30 September</b>
						<b>2020</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Permanent endowments</b>						
Endowment Fund	50,000	-	-	-	-	50,000
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
	50,000	-	-	-	-	50,000
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Income earned on the Fund is included under bank interest receivable as part of the unrestricted income fund.

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**18 Restricted funds**

The income funds of the Foundation include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

	<b>Movement in funds</b>		
	<b>Balance at 1 October 2019</b>	<b>Incoming resources</b>	<b>Resources expended</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Funds raised for the University	4,703,064	1,373,394	(2,377,631)
	<u>4,703,064</u>	<u>1,373,394</u>	<u>(2,377,631)</u>
			<u>3,698,827</u>

**19 Analysis of net assets between funds**

	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Restricted funds</b>	<b>Capital funds</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Fund balances at 30 September 2020 are represented by:				
Property, plant and equipment	703	-	-	703
Investments	243,065	-	-	243,065
Net current assets	316,468	3,698,827	50,000	4,065,295
	<u>560,236</u>	<u>3,698,827</u>	<u>50,000</u>	<u>4,309,063</u>

**20 Operating lease commitments**

At the reporting year end date the Foundation had outstanding commitments for future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases, which fall due as follows:

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Within one year	17,600	17,600
	<u>17,600</u>	<u>17,600</u>

**21 Related party transactions**

Mr. Eric Charles was a consultant to the Foundation's accountants, Citroen Wells ("CW") until he passed away on 27 December 2020. During the year, the Foundation received donations from CW of £5,865 (2019: £nil), and services amounting to £12,480 (2019: £11,220), inclusive of VAT.

The Eric Charles Charitable Trust, of which Mr. Eric Charles was a trustee, donated £10,000 (2019: £nil) to the Foundation during the year.

In the year ended 30 September 2019, The Geoffrey Berger Charitable Trust, of which Ms. Ann Berger is a trustee, donated £250 to the Foundation.

During the year Governors donated amounts totalling £55,650 (2019: £32,250) to the Foundation (net of gift aid), including £48,000 for 'The Jacqueline Charles Student Scholarship Endowment'.

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<b>22 Cash generated from operations</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
(Deficit)/surplus for the year	(773,650)	4,762,212
Adjustments for:		
Investment income recognised in statement of financial activities	(64,471)	(14,436)
Fair value gains and losses on investments	30,224	(3,125)
Depreciation and impairment of property, plant and equipment	314	75
Movements in working capital:		
(Increase) in trade and other receivables	(14,945)	(2,090)
Increase in trade and other payables	42,960	1,643
<b>Cash (absorbed by)/generated from operations</b>	<b>(779,568)</b>	<b>4,744,279</b>