

SOCIETY FOR THE SOCIAL HISTORY OF MEDICINE

England & Wales · Charity number 278414

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1979-09-27

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

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECTS OF THE SOCIETY SHALL BE TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC IN THE SOCIAL HISTORY OF MEDICINE.

Activities: The SSHM sponsors conferences, grants bursaries that help students attend conferences, and publishes a journal, a newsletter, and a book series.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Provides Human Resources, Sponsors Or Undertakes Research, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Arts/culture/heritage/science
- **Who:** Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£32,738	£60,814	-	-
2023-12-31	£35,631	£34,762	-	-
2022-12-31	£33,792	£31,500	-	-
2021-12-31	£29,569	£12,602	-	-
2020-12-31	£35,208	£18,458	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Dr LISA SMITH	Chair	
Dr Beatriz Pichel Perez		2022-07-01
Dr Claire Jones		2017-10-01
Dr Elsa Catherine Richardson		2025-10-06
Dr Fabiola Creed		2025-10-06
Dr Felicity Anne McKee		2023-09-22
Dr Manikarnika Dutta		2023-09-22
Dr Martin Moore		2023-09-22
Dr Neil Pemberton		2025-10-06
Dr RICHARD MCKAY		2012-11-06
Dr ROSEMARY CRESSWELL		
Dr Rebecca Wynter		2019-08-29
Dr Vanessa Heggie		2020-09-01
Dr Yuliya Hilevych		2025-10-06

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Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From: 01.01.2024 **Period start date** **To:** 31.12.2024 **Period end date**

Charity name: Society for the Social History of Medicine

Charity registration number: 278414

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The objects of the Society set out in its Constitution are to advance the education of the public in the social history of medicine and in pursuance of that purpose to promote research and disseminate the results.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	The charity's main activities in furtherance of its objects are the editing and production of a journal, <i>Social History of Medicine</i> https://academic.oup.com/shm which includes research articles and book reviews. Also, the production of a series of scholarly books, <i>Social Histories of Medicine</i> https://manchesteruniversitypress.co.uk/series/social-histories-of-medicine/ . The Society maintains an international membership, holds a biennial conference and sponsors selected other relevant scholarly conferences. The Society also represents the subject in relevant policy-making bodies. Publication in our outlets and attendance at conferences is open to non-members. Membership for students and the unwaged is subsidized with the added benefit of reduced conference charges. Support is also offered through bursaries for students and early career members to attend relevant conferences. With its activities the Society aims to foster understanding for and raise the profile of the social history of medicine both in the UK and internationally. This includes lobbying activities relevant to members, and more broadly, history of medicine as a discipline, and responding to issues in relation to the strategies of relevant funding bodies such as the Arts and Humanities Research Council, the Economic and Social Research Council or the Wellcome Trust. Funds raised from sales of the journal and other relevant publications enable the trustees to fund its commitments and maintain a financial reserve.
Statement confirming whether the trustees	Para 1.18	The trustees of the charity have paid due regard to the guidance published by the Charity Commission

have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit		on public benefit. All trustees of the Society are volunteers. They are supported by paid, part-time administrative support which was put in place in April 2018 on a self-employed/freelance basis.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>As detailed in each section below, in 2024 the charity operated through its usual activities to meet the objects of the charity. The Society continues with publication activities producing an academic peer-reviewed journal and book series. The Society also held activities and distributed networks funds due to funding received from the Wellcome Trust.</p> <p>Membership Membership is linked to publication of the Society's journal and subscription to the journal constitutes membership of the Society. The publisher, Oxford University Press, report that there were 217 members at the end of 2024, which is an increase on the previous year (162 members in 2023). This increase was generated by the Society's biennial conference, held in 2024. The conference continues to prove useful in</p>

	<p>attracting new student members. In terms of a breakdown for the membership:</p> <p>In terms of broader membership data, 50% of members have a standard personal membership (14 print, 70 online), which is broadly in line with recent trends (61% in Jan 2024; 52%, 2023; 60%, 2022; 57% 2021, 55.5% 2020; 49.6% 2019; 57.2% 2018).</p> <p>33% (72) are student members (19 print, 53 online), compared with 31% in 2023, 27% in October 2022, 30% in 2021, 30.3% in 2020; 38.7% in 2019, 30.7% in 2018; 7% are seniors (7 print, 8 online), compared with 9% in 2023 (n=9 print, 6 online) and 2023; 7% (2 print, 14 online) are from developing countries compared to 3.7% (n=2 print, 4 online) in 2022 and 3% in 2022; 3.2% hold unwaged subscriptions compared to 3.6% in April 2024 and 2.4% (n.1 print, 3 online) in 2023.</p> <p>With regards to geographical location, 60% of our members continue to come from the UK (n. 132), which is broadly consistent with ongoing trends (60% in April 2024; 70% in Jan 2024, 66% in 2023, 60% in October 2022, 58% in 2021, 58.7% in 2020; 59.5% in 2019; 53.9% in 2018). Most of the remaining members are from North America (n. 24) at 11% compared to 10% in April 2024; 13% in Jan 2024, 15% in 2023, 14% in October 2022, 13% in 2021, 11.8% in 2020.</p> <p>2024 saw the Society's journal publisher (Oxford University Press) continue with a variety of membership options, including a 2-year subscription.</p> <p>The Society has two members who do not subscribe via OUP and their payments are recorded in the accounts.</p> <p>Publications</p> <p>The Society's journal <i>Social History of Medicine</i> received an increased number of submissions in 2024 with 205 (176 in 2023; 182 in 2022). The Society published 4 issues of the journal for 2024 (Volume 37) of which one was a special issue. For the year a total of 37 original articles were published. There were 56 book reviews published in the 4 issues of volume 37 (69 in volume 36 in 2023).</p>
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The book series with Manchester University Press, *Social Histories of Medicine* continues to prosper with a total of 39 books and 6 in press. One award of £2,000.00 was made for the 2023 book development award (deadline of 15 March 2024).

Since the last return books published were:

R. E. Bennett, *Motherhood confined. Maternal health in English prisons, 1853–1955* (2024); G. Gahlen, H. Voelker, V. Hess and M. Scarfone (eds.) *Doing psychiatry in postwar Europe. Practices, routines and experiences* (2024); M. Meier, M. Tornay and M. König, *On trial: Testing new drugs in psychiatry, 1940-80* (2024); T. Loughran, H. Froom, K. Mahoney and D. Payling (eds.) *“Everyday health,” embodiment, and selfhood since 1950* (2024).

There were only two digital issues of the Society’s *Gazette* produced in 2024 and distributed via email to members and made available on the Society website. The current format of the *Gazette* is currently under review by the trustees.

Conferences/Workshops

The Society invites applications for conference funding three times a year. A total of £9,952.85 in new grants was awarded in 2024 to support conferences in the history of medicine (totals claimed for conference funding for 2024 = £10,152.85 (made up of £5,300.00 from 2023 awards and £1500.00 from conference award made in 2022).

New conference awards included:

Race, Empire, and the Edinburgh Medical School (University of Edinburgh: April 2024).

Reproductive Health Histories Working Group Workshop (University of Edinburgh: July 2024).

Age and Health, 1500-1800 (University of Cambridge: June 2024).

	<p>Writing Population History in a Time of Planetary Crisis (University of Exeter: June 2025).</p> <p>The Leaky Body: A New Turn in the Humanities and Social Sciences? (University of Kent: January 2025)</p> <p>Who Cares? Psychiatry in the English-speaking world: People and Places (Université Paris Nanterre: February 2025).</p> <p>History of Medicine in Southeast Asia: HOMSEA (Yogyakarta, Indonesia: June 2025).</p> <p>The Entangled Histories of Science, Medicine, Technology and Childhood (University of Leeds: May/June 2025).</p> <p>Histories of Death and Disease in Anatolia (Anamed, Istanbul, Turkey: June 2025).</p> <p><i>Student and early career travel bursaries</i></p> <p>In 2024 a total of £14,202.67 was awarded in travel bursaries for students and early career academics to attend and present papers at international and UK based conferences. A total of £14,711.25 was claimed, which included £740.00 claimed from 2023 awards.</p> <p><i>Prize winners</i></p> <p>The Society awards an annual prize, the Roy Porter Essay Prize worth £500, for the best original unpublished essay in the social history of medicine. For the 2023/4 competition, the Society also awarded two further £100 prizes for Highly Commended and Commended essays.</p> <p>The 2023 Roy Porter Prize (awarded in 2024) recognised John Reginald Matchim (University of New Brunswick) with “‘From the Mecca of Civilization to a Place like Labrador’: The Physicians’ and Surgeons’ Club of Columbia University and reordering health and space on Spotted Island, Labrador, 1912-1960’.</p> <p>Tiphaine Lours (Sciences Po, France) – ‘The most horrible and disgusting infirmity that can afflict women’: A Pioneering Approach to Vesicovaginal Fistula Repairs</p>
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	<p>in Paris (1830s-1840s) – was Highly Commended.</p> <p>Fu Ge Yang (University of Cambridge) was commended for ‘Professionalisation through commerce: establishing jingshenxue as a legitimate psychiatric treatment in Republican China (1933 – 1937)’.</p> <p>The Prize received 15 submissions, a higher number than the previous year.</p> <p>The winner of the 2024/5 Roy Porter Essay Prize is scheduled to be announced in summer 2025.</p> <p>Web and Social Media</p> <p>The Society’s website hosted on WordPress for 2024 attracted 31K overall views (up 33% on 2023 with 23.4K views) and a total of 12.4K visitors (up 23% on 2023 with 10.1K visitors). Most popular pages were the home page, the page for the biennial conference and history of medicine call for conference papers.</p> <p>The website continues to have international reach with the majority of site visitors from the UK, followed by the United States, India, Canada, Germany, France, Australia, Netherlands, Ireland and China.</p> <p>The trustees have agreed that the Society’s website presence will be assessed and a plan produced in 2025.</p> <p>Social media platforms has been an area for discussion by trustees with a decision taken late 2024 to no longer post on the platform X (formerly Twitter). A Society account on BlueSky has 11,000 followers.</p> <p>Wellcome Funded Events and Networks Grants</p> <p>As a result of the successful grant applications in 2021 (see additional information).</p> <p>The Society will hold the third and final event: A Mid-Career Writing Retreat in April 2025.</p> <p>The second round of Network Grant applications were announced in early 2024 with three networks receiving awards and holding their first events in 2024:</p>
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		<p>UK Disability History and Heritage Hub: UKDHHH Networking Events 2024-2025</p> <p>Mapping Public Health: Mapping health and wellbeing in London and beyond</p> <p>Military Welfare History Network: The military communities' medical welfare and care history conference series</p> <p>The two networks already running from the first round of awards: JOINT and Twentieth-Century Psy-Disciplines and LGBTQIA+ Communities had been paused by parental leave and extensions granted, but organised their first events in 2024.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	<p>In October 2021 the society applied for two grants from the Wellcome Trust. One for £25,000 to fund Society events (over 48 months). The application was successful and grant funds are administered via the University of Strathclyde. Wellcome funds will enable bringing scholars together for physical meetings is essential to create the safe space needed for such sensitive discussions as anti-racism, facilitated by a clinical professional and academics experienced in this area, and regarding concerns about careers.</p> <p>Another grant application for £25,000 was to support the objective of directing funding to networking and networked events. These serial activities promise the space to be both innovative and sustained; a space that has often been limited in the field of the history of medicine and health. What these sustained conversations will do is provide room for creativity and thinking, offering transformative scholarship and assuredly facilitating links and work that would otherwise prove impossible, especially due to our current availability of £1500 per conference funding application, limited so as to support as many activities as possible. The Society plans to fund between four and seven networks with a maximum of £6000 per award, with two</p>
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		rounds of applications for support in 2022 and 2023.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<p>The charity's assets during 2024 amounted to £100,615 in cash reserves at the end of the period.</p> <p>Applications in 2024 for conference funding and travel bursaries were at a high level due to the Society's biennial conference. The trustees met their objectives to utilise the reserves accumulated during the pandemic by making more bursary and conference funding available.</p>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<p>The Society's trustees have a policy of holding reserves to cover one year's cover cash flow requirements and for any potential gaps in income. In addition extra reserves of £60,000.00 are being held should the running of the journal be affected as a consequence of Plan S and publishers' commitment to transitioning their journals to open access through the Transformative Journal model https://www.coalition-s.org/plan-s-compliant-transformative-journals/ These reserves are held in a savings account.</p> <p>The trustees continue exploring ways of utilising excess reserves and have spent considerably more in 2024. With the withdrawal of conference support from Wellcome Trust, the Society now has to support its own biennial conference at a</p>

		host institution and estimates support to the host institution in the region of £15,000.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£93,421 (2023: £121,049)
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	The trustees have reviewed major risks. Procedures are in place to manage these risks. Income flow has been fairly steady over recent years, and as the Society does not have employees, risks are limited. Issues arising are discussed during Executive Committee meetings. The Committee meets three times per year.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	The charity is almost wholly reliant on the income generated by its journal and other publications. As detailed above, the Society re-invests much of its income into promoting the subject through support for conferences and individual researchers.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	The charity was formed by a written Constitution, which was updated in 2012 and again in 2022 and is available on the SSHM website https://sshm.org/portfolio/the-society/

How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	The charity is governed by its trustees, the elected members of the Executive Committee (EC), which meets at least three times a year.
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	The Chairperson and other officers are elected by the EC from their members. EC members must be members of the Society and are elected by the membership and serve a term of three years. The Officers of the Society are the Chair, Secretary and Treasurer and tenure of office is three years in each instance. Office holders may, at the end of their term of office, complete their term of EC membership. Office holders may also complete their tenure of office even if their elected period of membership of the Executive Committee has expired. Candidates for EC must be proposed and seconded by other members of the Society. The journal and book series editors are <i>ex officio</i> members of the EC (without voting rights) and are not trustees of the charity.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	New Executive Committee members are directed to Charity Commission's guide, The Essential Trustee (CC3) which explains the main legal responsibilities trustees have. Also, to the National Council for Voluntary Organisations (NCVO) as a suggested resource to find out more about becoming a charity trustee.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Society for the Social History of Medicine
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	278414
Charity's principal address	University Of Kent School of History, Room N3 Rutherford College Canterbury Kent CT2 7NZ

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Dr Lisa Smith Cresswell	Chair/EC Member		
2	Dr Claire Jones	Secretary		
3	Dr Richard McKay	Treasurer		
4	Dr Beatriz Pichel	EC Member		
5	Dr Rosemary Cresswell	EC Member	Re-elected 18 July 2024	
6	Dr Rebecca Wynter	EC Member		
7	Dr Stephen Mawdsley	EC Member		
8	Dr Samiksha Sehrawat	EC Member	Term ended 18 July 2024	
9	Dr Vanessa Heggie	EC Member		
10	Dr Peder Clark	EC Member	Stepped down 22 November 2024	
11	Dr Manikarnika Dutta	EC Member		
12	Felicity McKee	EC Member		
13	Dr Martin Moore	EC Member		
14	Dr Oisin Wall	EC Member	Stepped down 22 November 2024	
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Financial	Paul Cowham, MA, FCA, DChA	Withington Works, Withington Baths, 30 Burton Road Manchester, M20 3EB

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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 Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial period which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of its incoming resources and application of resources of the period. In preparing financial statements giving a true and fair view the trustees should follow best practice and:

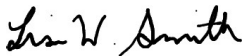

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial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

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with applicable law and the Constitution. They are responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Lisa Smith	Richard McKay
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Treasurer
Date	06/10/2025	

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES AND MEMBERS OF THE SOCIETY FOR THE SOCIAL HISTORY OF MEDICINE

I report on the accounts for the charity for the year ended 31st December 2024 which are set out on pages 15 to 16 and have been prepared using the receipts and payments method.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedure laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145 (5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Paul Cowham

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13/10/2025

The Society for the Social History of Medicine
Receipts and Payments Accounts
For the year ending 31 December 2024

	2024			2023		
	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total £	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total £
Receipts						
Income from charitable activities						
Royalties OUP	30,231	-	30,231	24,741	-	24,741
Royalties Book Series	1,137	-	1,137	1,628	-	1,628
Editorial Retainer	-	-	-	8,270	-	8,270
Membership Fees	14	-	14	14	-	14
	<u>31,382</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>31,382</u>	<u>34,653</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>34,653</u>
Investment income						
Interest	1,356	-	1,356	978	-	978
Total Receipts	<u>32,738</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>32,738</u>	<u>35,631</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>35,631</u>
Payments						
Administration - Exec Secretary	7,000	-	7,000	5,250	(164)	5,086
Honoraria SHM Co-Editors	6,000	-	6,000	6,000	-	6,000
Honoraria - speakers	-	-	-	500	-	500
Editorial Assistants' Fees	600	-	600	480	-	480
Editorial Office Expenses (postage etc)	1,046	808	1,854	1,035	-	1,035
Editorial Board & Book Series Editorial Expense	2,507	-	2,507	2,701	-	2,701
Internships/Fellowships*	-	-	-	3,400	-	3,400
Executive Cttee Meeting Expenses	1,229	70	1,299	2,045	997	3,042
Website & Dropbox	213	-	213	216	-	216
	<u>18,595</u>	<u>878</u>	<u>19,473</u>	<u>21,627</u>	<u>833</u>	<u>22,460</u>
Conference Grants	8,163	-	8,163	7,431	-	7,431
Bursaries	6,549	-	6,549	2,277	500	2,777
Conference costs	9,967	-	9,967	-	-	-
Biennial Conference costs	14,605	-	14,605	-	-	-
Essay Prize	700	-	700	700	-	700
	<u>39,984</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>39,984</u>	<u>10,408</u>	<u>500</u>	<u>10,908</u>
Independent Examination	600	-	600	550	-	550
Bank Charges	757	-	757	285	-	285
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	231	328	559
	<u>1,357</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,357</u>	<u>1,066</u>	<u>328</u>	<u>1,394</u>
Total Payments	<u>59,936</u>	<u>878</u>	<u>60,814</u>	<u>33,101</u>	<u>1,661</u>	<u>34,762</u>
Net of receipts/(payments)	<u>(27,198)</u>	<u>(878)</u>	<u>(28,076)</u>	<u>2,530</u>	<u>(1,661)</u>	<u>869</u>
Bank+cash brought forward	130,352	(1,661)	128,691	127,822	-	127,822
Transfers	(1,731)	1,731	-	-	-	-
Cash surplus/(deficit) in the year	(27,198)	(878)	(28,076)	2,530	(1,661)	869
Bank+cash carried forward	<u>101,423</u>	<u>(808)</u>	<u>100,615</u>	<u>130,352</u>	<u>(1,661)</u>	<u>128,691</u>

The Society for the Social History of Medicine

Statement of assets and liabilities

For the year ending 31 December 2023

	2024			2023		
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets						
Tangible assets - microphones	1,198	-	1,198	1,198	-	1,198
	-					
Debtors – money owed to the charity	-	808	808	-		-
	-					
Cash assets						
Bank deposit account	90,346	-	90,346	67,515	-	67,515
Bank current account	11,077	(808)	10,269	62,837	(1,661)	61,176
	-					
Net cash assets	101,423	(808)	100,615	130,352	(1,661)	128,691
Net assets	102,621	-	102,621	131,550	(1,661)	129,889
Liabilities	9,200	-	9,200	8,840	-	8,840
Total assets at the end of the period	93,421	-	93,421	122,710	(1,661)	121,049

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conference in 2024 it is expected that membership numbers will increase as such events are useful in attracting new student members. In terms of a breakdown for the membership:

Student membership remained consistent and formed 31% (27% in 2022, 30% in 2021, 30.3% in 2020; 38.7% in 2019; 30.7% in 2018) while individual membership figures formed 52% (60% in 2022; 57% in 2021; 55.5% 2020; 49.6% in 2019; 57.2% in 2018). The majority of our members continued to come from the UK at 66% (60% in 2022; 58% in 2021; 58.7% in 2020; 59.5% in 2019; 53.9% in 2018) while most of the remaining members were from North America and at 15% (14% in 2022; 16% in 2021; 11.8% in 2020; 11.7% in 2019; 14.4% in 2018). European membership stands at 9% (13% in 2021; 15% in 2020; 14% in 2019; 14% in 2018). So overall, membership by type and country is consistent.

Membership (Print & Online)

£53	\$106	€80
Developing Countries		
£25	\$47	€38
Student/Unwaged/Senior Rate		
£28	\$56	€43

Membership with online only access to journal

£42	\$85	€64
Developing Countries		
£20	\$38	€30
Student/Unwaged/Senior rate		
£22	\$45	€34

Membership (2-year Print & Online)

£101	\$201	€152
Developing Countries		
£58	\$72	€57
Student/Unwaged/Senior Rate		
£53	\$106	€82

Membership (2-year online only)

£80	\$162	€122
Developing Countries		
£38	\$72	€57
Student/Unwaged/Senior		
£42	\$86	€65

We have two members who do not subscribe via OUP and their payments are recorded in the accounts.

As detailed above 2023 saw the Society's journal publisher (Oxford University Press) introduce new membership options with online only access to the journal at a 20% discounted rate on the print subscription as well as a two-year membership option.

Publications

The Society's journal *Social History of Medicine* received a similar number of submissions in 2023 with 176 (182 in 2022; 170 in 2021). The Society published 4 issues of the journal for 2023 (Volume 36) with a total of 25 original articles (56 in 2022) plus an introduction and second opinion for a special issue. Volume 36 number 4 November 2023 due to difficulties was prepared in 2023 but publication was delayed until 2024. There were 69 book reviews published in the 4 issues of volume 36 (65 in volume 35 in 2022), a greater number of reviews are currently being published due to an increased page allowance.

The book series with Manchester University Press, *Social Histories of Medicine* continues to prosper with a total of 35 books and 3 in press.

The 2023 book development award (formerly prize) was launched earlier in the year with a new deadline of 15 March 2024. A maximum of 2 x £2000 prizes per year.

Since the last return books published were:

H. Hausse, *The Malleable Body: Surgeons, Artisans and Amputees in Early Modern Germany* (2023); A. Arnold-Forster, *Cold, Hard Steel. The Myth of the Modern Surgeon* (2023); W. Ruberg, L. Bergers, P. Dirven and S. Serrano Martnez (eds.) *Forensic Cultures in Modern Europe* (2023); G. Almond-Brown, *Spectacles and the Victorians: Measuring, Defining and Shaping Visual Capacity* (2023); M. Stanley-Baker (ed.) *Situating Medicine and Religion in Asia: Methodological Insights and Innovations* (2023).

Four digital issues of the Society's *Gazette* were produced and distributed via email to members and made available on the Society website.

Conferences/Workshops

		<p>The Society invites applications for conference funding three times a year. A total of £8767.01 in grants was awarded in 2023 to support conferences in the history of medicine (totals claimed for conference funding for 2023 = £4882.61 (made up of £3467.01 from 2023 awards and £1415.60 from conference awards made in 2022).</p> <p>Conference awards included: 'Military Welfare History: what is it and why should it be considered?', University College, Dublin (July 2023).</p> <p>'Hospitals in Times of Crisis', University of Warsaw, Poland (May 2023).</p> <p>'Global Recipes in Early Modern Worlds: Ingredients, Actors and Exotica', University of Cambridge (May 2024).</p> <p>'There Will be Blood: The Medieval Blood Conference c.1000-1450', University of Cambridge (October 2023).</p> <p>'Health and Environmental Humanities' to be held at University of Bristol (August 2024).</p> <p>'Rethinking Injuries: Interdisciplinary Approaches to Harm, safety and society', Johns Hopkins University (March 2024).</p> <p>'Children's Worlds Through Time', Newcastle University (July 2024).</p> <p><i>Student and early career travel bursaries</i></p> <p>In 2023 a total of £3517.25 was awarded in travel bursaries for students and early career academics to attend and present papers at international and UK based conferences. A total of £2777.25 was claimed with £740.00 still to be claimed at the end of 2023 for awardees attending conferences in early 2024).</p> <p><i>Prize winners</i></p> <p>The Society awards an annual prize, the Roy Porter Essay Prize worth £500, for the best original unpublished essay in the social history of medicine. For the 2023 competition, the Society also awarded two further £100 prizes for short listed essays.</p>
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	<p>The 2022 Roy Porter Prize (awarded in 2023) recognised Anna Weerasinghe, Johns Hopkins University, for the essay 'In the Kitchen with Brianda Jaoa: Tacit Practices and Technologies of Healing in Garcia de Orta's Coloquios (1563)'. The shortlisted entries were: Silvia Maria Marchiori for 'Bridging Ancient and Humanist Medicine: The Early Medieval Manuscript of a Greek Speaking Latin Monk'; and Vesna Curlic (Edinburgh) for 'Returned to their Native Air: Migration, Disability and Climate in Britain, 1880-1905'.</p> <p>The Prize received eleven submissions, a higher number than the previous year</p> <p>The winner of the 2023 Roy Porter Essay Prize is scheduled to be announced in July 2024 at the Society's biennial conference.</p> <p>Web and Social Media</p> <p>The Society's website and social media has continued to perform with overall views to the website increased by 1500 views in 2023 compared to the previous two years with. The website continues to have international reach with the majority of site visitors from the UK, followed by the United States and is in line with previous years. Social media has continued to grow, with the platform X (formerly Twitter) at 7286 followers (up from 7009). A new account has been set up on another platform BlueSky at the end of 2023 with 278 followers.</p> <p>Wellcome Funded Events and Networks Grants</p> <p>As a result of the successful grant applications in 2021 (see additional information).</p> <p>The Society held its second Wellcome grant supported event in June 2023 at Wroxton College, Oxfordshire UK with a residential workshop, 'Precarity in the Academy'. There were 49 attendees from the UK, Europe, China, Israel and India. The third and final event is planned for 2025.</p> <p>The second round of Network Grant applications took place in late 2023 with decisions announced in early 2024 with three networks receiving awards:</p>
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		<p>UK Disability History and Heritage Hub: UKDHHH Networking Events 2024-2025</p> <p>Mapping Public Health: Mapping health and wellbeing in London and beyond</p> <p>Military Welfare History Network: The military communities' medical welfare and care history conference series</p> <p>The two networks already running from the first round of awards: JOINT and Twentieth-Century Psy-Disciplines and LGBTQIA+ Communities had been paused by parental leave and extensions granted, but are now organising their first events for 2024.</p>

Additional information (optional)

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<p>Achievements against objectives set</p>	<p>Para 1.41</p>	<p>In October 2021 the society applied for two grants from the Wellcome Trust. One for £25,000 to fund Society events (over 48 months). The application was successful and grant funds are administered via the University of Strathclyde. Wellcome funds will enable bringing scholars together for physical meetings is essential to create the safe space needed for such sensitive discussions as anti-racism, facilitated by a clinical professional and academics experienced in this area, and regarding concerns about careers.</p> <p>Another grant application for £25,000 was to support the objective of directing funding to networking and networked events. These serial activities promise the space to be both innovative and sustained; a space that has often been limited in the field of the history of medicine and health. What these sustained conversations will do is provide room for creativity and thinking, offering transformative scholarship and assuredly facilitating links and work that would otherwise prove impossible, especially due to our current availability of £1500 per conference funding application, limited so as to support as many activities as possible. The Society plans to fund between four and seven networks with a maximum of £6000 per award, with two rounds of applications for support in 2022 and 2023.</p>
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Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<p>The charity's assets increased during 2023 amounting to £128,691 in cash reserves at the end of the period.</p> <p>Applications in 2023 for conference funding and travel bursaries returned to pre-pandemic levels.</p>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<p>The Society's trustees have a policy of holding reserves to cover one year's cover cash flow requirements and for any potential gaps in income. In addition extra reserves of £60,000.00 are being held should the running of the journal be affected as a consequence of Plan S and publishers' commitment to transitioning their journals to open access through the Transformative Journal model https://www.coalition-s.org/plan-s-compliant-transformative-journals/ These reserves are held in a savings account.</p> <p>The trustees recognise that the current level of reserves are higher than the set amount, as a consequence of earlier pandemic conditions making conferences impossible. The trustees continue exploring ways of utilising excess reserves and have spent considerably more in 2023. Discussions and further proposals put forward by the executive Committee in 2023 are to direct excess reserves towards more support to early career scholars and</p>

		offer paid internships within the Society to support work to address issues of inclusivity and diversity in the field of the social history of medicine. With the withdrawal of conference support from Wellcome Trust, the Society now has to support its own biennial conference at a host institution (support to the host institution in the region of £15,000). The trustees plan to utilise further reserves to assist members with the costs to attend the Society's next biennial conference in 2024 being held at University of Strathclyde in Glasgow in July 2024.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£121,049
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	The trustees have reviewed major risks. Procedures are in place to manage these risks. Income flow has been fairly steady over recent years, and as the Society does not have employees, risks are limited. Issues arising are discussed during Executive Committee meetings. The Committee meets three times per year.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	The charity is almost wholly reliant on the income generated by its journal and other publications. As detailed above, the Society re-invests much of its income into promoting the subject through support for conferences and individual researchers.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	The charity was formed by a written Constitution, which was updated in 2012 and again in 2022 and is available on the SSHM website https://sshm.org/portfolio/the-society/
How is the charity constituted? (e.g. unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	The charity is governed by its trustees, the elected members of the Executive Committee (EC), which meets at least three times a year.
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	The Chairperson and other officers are elected by the EC from their members. EC members must be members of the Society and are elected by the membership and serve a term of three years. The Officers of the Society are the Chair, Secretary and Treasurer and tenure of office is three years in each instance. Office holders may, at the end of their term of office, complete their term of EC membership. Office holders may also complete their tenure of office even if their elected period of membership of the Executive Committee has expired. Candidates for EC must be proposed and seconded by other members of the Society. The journal and book series editors are <i>ex officio</i> members of the EC (without voting rights) and are not trustees of the charity.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	New Executive Committee members are directed to Charity Commission's guide, The Essential Trustee (CC3) which explains the main legal responsibilities trustees have. Also, to the National Council for Voluntary Organisations (NCVO) as a suggested resource to find out more about becoming a charity trustee.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	

Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Society for the Social History of Medicine
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	278414
Charity's principal address	University Of Kent School of History, Room N3 Rutherford College Canterbury Kent CT2 7NZ

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Dr Lisa Smith	Chair/EC Member		
2	Dr Claire Jones	Secretary		
3	Dr Richard McKay	Treasurer		
4	Dr Beatriz Pichel	EC Member		
5	Dr Rosemary Cresswell	EC Member		
6	Dr Rebecca Wynter	EC Member		
7	Dr Stephen Mawdsley	EC Member		
8	Dr Samiksha Sehrawat	EC Member		
9	Dr Vanessa Heggie	EC Member	Re-elected 22 September 2023	
10	Dr Peder Clark	EC Member	Elected 22 September 2023	
11	Dr Manikarnika Dutta	EC Member	Elected 22 September 2023	
12	Felicity McKee	EC Member	Elected 22 September 2023	
13	Dr Martin Moore	EC Member	Elected 22 September 2023	
14	Dr Oisin Wall	EC Member	Elected 22 September 2023	
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Financial	Paul Cowham, MA, FCA, DChA	Withington Works, Withington Baths, 30 Burton Road Manchester, M20 3EB

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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 Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial period which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of its incoming resources and application of resources of the period. In preparing financial statements giving a true and fair view the trustees should follow best practice and:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

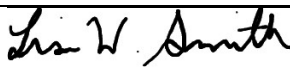
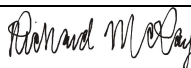
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with applicable law and the Constitution. They are responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Lisa Smith	Richard McKay
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Treasurer
Date	18/7 /2024	

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES AND MEMBERS OF

THE SOCIETY FOR THE SOCIAL HISTORY OF MEDICINE

I report on the accounts for the charity for the year ended 31st December 2023 which are set out on pages 16 to 17 and have been prepared using the receipts and payments method.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedure laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145 (5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Paul Cowham

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25 July 2024

The Society for the Social History of Medicine
Receipts and Payments Accounts
For the year ending 31 December 2023

	2023	2022
	Total	Total
Receipts		
Income from charitable activities		
Royalties OUP	24,741	24,473
Royalties Book Series	1,628	1,218
Editorial Retainer	8,270	7,990
Membership Fees	14	14
	<u>34,653</u>	<u>33,695</u>
Investment income		
Interest	978	97
	<u>35,631</u>	<u>33,792</u>
Total Receipts		
Payments		
Administration - Exec Secretary	5,086	6,706
Honoraria <i>SHM</i> Co-Editors	6,000	6,000
Honoraria - speakers	500	-
Editorial Assistants' Fees	480	720
Editorial Office Expenses (postage etc)	1035	674
Editorial Board & Book Series Editorial Expenses	2,701	1,501
Internships/Fellowships*	3,400	2,500
Executive Cttee Meeting Expenses	3,042	4,874
Website & Dropbox	216	216
Gazette, flyers, publicity	-	-
	<u>22,460</u>	<u>23,191</u>
Conference Grants	7,431	1,980
Bursaries	2,777	4,460
Essay Prize	700	888
	<u>10,908</u>	<u>7,328</u>
Independent Examination	550	550
Bank Charges	285	281
Miscellaneous	559	150
	<u>1394</u>	<u>981</u>
	<u>34,762</u>	<u>31,500</u>
Total Payments		
Net of receipts/(payments)	<u>869</u>	<u>2,292</u>
Bank+cash brought forward	127,822	125,530
Cash surplus/(deficit) in the year	869	2,292
Bank+cash carried forward	<u>128,691</u>	<u>127,822</u>

The Society for the Social History of Medicine
Statement of assets and liabilities
For the year ending 31 December 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
Fixed assets		
Tangible assets - microphones	1,198	-
Debtors – money owed to the charity	-	164
Cash assets		
Bank deposit account	67,515	66,537
Bank current account	61,176	61,285
Net cash assets	<u>128,691</u>	<u>127,822</u>
Net assets	129,889	127,986
Liabilities	8,840	4,258
Total assets at the end of the period	<u><u>121,049</u></u>	<u><u>123,728</u></u>

SOCIETY FOR THE SOCIAL HISTORY OF MEDICINE

England & Wales - Charity number 278414

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From: 01.01.2022 **Period start date** **To:** 31.12.2022 **Period end date**

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Charity registration number: 278414

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	<p>Covid pandemic with restrictions and a slow return to in person conferences. Such events are useful in attracting new student members. In terms of a breakdown for the membership figures for 2022, student membership has fallen slightly remains and forms 27% (30% in 2021; 30.3% in 2020; 38.7% in 2019; 30.7% in 2018) while individual membership figures have risen slightly to 60% (57% in 2021; 55.5% 2020; 49.6% in 2019; 57.2% in 2018). Seniors make up 9% with developing countries at 3% and unwaged at 1%. For geographical location, the majority of our members continue to come from the UK, 60% in 2022, 58% in 2021, 58.7% in 2020; 59.5% in 2019; 53.9% in 2018) while most of the remaining members are from North America at 14% in 2022 (13% in 2021, 11.8% in 2020; 11.7% in 2019; 14.4% in 2018). European membership stands at about 10% (13% in 2021 15% in 2020; 14% in 2019; 14% in 2018). The membership rates for 2022 were: Student/Reduced: £27.00, \$53.00, €41.00. Regular: £50.00, \$101.00, €76.00. We have two members who do not subscribe via OUP and their payments are recorded in the accounts. From 2023 there will be a new membership rate with online only access to the journal at a 20% discounted rate on the print subscription.</p> <p>Publications</p> <p>The Society's journal <i>Social History of Medicine</i> received a similar number of submissions in 2022 with 182 (180 in 2021; 196 in 2020). The Society published 4 issues of the journal in 2022 with a total of 56 articles (55 in 2021) and book reviews at 65 (65 in 2020), due to increased page allowance.</p> <p>The book series with Manchester University Press, <i>Social Histories of Medicine</i> continues to prosper with a total of 29 books and 2 in press. Since the last return books published were:</p> <p>Joris Vandendriessche and Benoît Majerus (eds.) <i>Medical histories of Belgium. New narratives on health, care and citizenship in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries.</i> (October 2021).</p> <p>Jennifer Crane and Jane Hand (eds.) <i>Placards, posters, and prescriptions: Cultural histories of the National Health Service in Britain</i> (June 2022).</p>
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	<p>Janet Weston and Hannah J. Elizabeth (eds.) <i>Histories of HIV/AIDS in Western Europe: New and regional perspectives</i>. (August 2022).</p> <p>Waltraud Ernst and Thomas Mueller (eds.) <i>Alcohol, psychiatry and society. Comparative and transnational perspectives, c. 1700-1990s</i> (October 2022).</p> <p>One new initiative is a book development award (a maximum of 2 x £2000 prizes per year) for five years starting in 2022 to assist scholars and encourage the forming of book proposals in the social history of medicine.</p> <p>Four digital issues of the Society's <i>Gazette</i> were produced and distributed via email to members and made available on the Society website.</p> <p>Conferences/Workshops</p> <p>The Society invites applications for conference funding three times a year. A total of £6368.00 in grants was awarded in 2022 to support conferences in the history of medicine (total paid out for 2022 = £1980 – made up of £250 from conference held in late 2021 plus £1730 from 2022 conferences). A total of £2013 from 2022 awards is carried over to 2023 as events were postponed and from the 2022 awards a total of £2625.00 is still to be claimed).</p> <p>Conference awards included:</p> <p>'Compassion and Care: Emotions and Experience in the care of Children through History' held at John Rylands Institute Manchester</p> <p>'Oxford History of Medicine at 50' held at Oxford University</p> <p>'Learning to Cut Bandage and Cure' held in Paris.</p> <p>The Society held its own biennial conference in July 2022 hosted by Swansea University. This was supported by the Wellcome and the Society supported student travel bursaries and keynote speakers. The Society also used funds to offer administrative support at the conference and to conduct an EDI assessment and report at the conference</p>
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and present an update on the Society's anti-racism workshop to conference delegates (recorded in EC expenses).

Student and early career travel bursaries

A total of £4459.88 in travel bursaries was paid for students and early career academics to attend and present papers at international and UK based conferences. The Society honoured awards for speakers awarded in 2020 who did eventually present at the Society's 2022 conference in Swansea.

Prize winners

The Society awards an annual prize, the Roy Porter Essay Prize worth £500, for the best original unpublished essay in the social history of medicine. In 2022 the Society also awarded a further £100 as prize for short listed essay.

The 2021 Roy Porter Essay Prize winner, as announced at the Society's AGM in 2022 was Martijn van der Meer. The winning essay is titled: 'Sown without care: Dutch eugenicists and their call for optimising development conditions, 1919-1939'. The entry shortlisted for the essay prize was Margaret Williams's 'Searching for Care in a Segregated City: Detroit's Black Hospitals and the Integration of American Healthcare 1945-75'. There were a total of 8 entrants.

The winner of the 2022 Roy Porter Essay Prize is scheduled to be announced in autumn 2023.

Web and Social Media

Our website and social media has continued to perform despite a transitional period between officers. The website continues to have international reach with the majority of site visitors from the UK, followed by the United States and is in line with previous years. Search engines and Twitter platform are the main routes people access the main website. The most visited sections of the website for visitors are the home page, followed by Calls for expressions of interest.

Social media has continued to grow, with Twitter followers at 7009 followers (up from 6429) and Facebook has seen a decline in engagement but views have increased.

		<p>Wellcome Funded Events and Networks Grants</p> <p>As a result of the successful grant applications in 2021 (see additional information). The Society held its first event 4-5 July 2022 in Birmingham (UK) with a residential workshop on anti-racism. There were 30 attendees on each day. As a result, further events and initiatives are planned for 2023.</p> <p>The first round of Network Grant applications took place with a deadline of 31 May 2022. There were two awards of the Wellcome-funded Society for the Social History of Medicine Research Community Networks Both begin activities in 2023. Sarah Marks (Birkbeck, University of London), Kate Davison (University of Edinburgh), Katherine Hubbard (University of Surrey), Mo Moulton (University of Birmingham), Helen Spandler (University of Central Lancashire), & Rebecca Wynter (University of Amsterdam) - 'Twentieth-Century Psy-Disciplines and LGBTQIA+ Communities: Histories and Contexts of 'Conversion Therapies''</p> <p>Peder Clark (University of Strathclyde) & Jamie Banks (Loughborough University) - 'JOINT: An Early Career Drugs History Research Network. Establishing a drugs history research network for Early Career Researchers in the UK and Ireland'</p>
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

<p>Achievements against objectives set</p>	<p>Para 1.41</p>	<p>In October 2021 the society applied for two grants from the Wellcome Trust. One for £25,000 to fund Society events (over 48 months). The application was successful and grant funds are administered via the University of Strathclyde. Wellcome funds will enable bringing scholars together for physical meetings is essential to create the safe space needed for such sensitive discussions as anti-racism, facilitated by a clinical professional and academics experienced in this area, and regarding concerns about careers.</p> <p>Another grant application for £25,000 was to support the objective of directing funding to networking and networked events. These serial activities promise the space to be both innovative and sustained; a space that has often been limited in the field of the</p>
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		history of medicine and health. What these sustained conversations will do is provide room for creativity and thinking, offering transformative scholarship and assuredly facilitating links and work that would otherwise prove impossible, especially due to our current availability of £1500 per conference funding application, limited so as to support as many activities as possible. The Society plans to fund between four and seven networks with a maximum of £6000 per award, with two rounds of applications for support in 2022 and 2023.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The charity's assets increased during 2022, amounting to £127,822 in cash reserves at the end of the period. Although there has been an increase in applications for conference funding and travel bursaries, applications have not yet reached pre-pandemic levels.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The Society has a current policy of holding reserves to cover one year's cover cash flow requirements and for any potential gaps in income. In addition extra reserves are being held should the running of the journal be affected as a consequence of Plan S and publishers' commitment to transitioning their journals to open access through the Transformative Journal model https://www.coalition-s.org/plan-s-compliant-transformative-journals/ The EC

		<p>has set a total reserve of £60,000 until the impact is clear.</p> <p>Reserves are held in a savings account. The trustees recognise that the current level of reserves are higher than the set amount, due to the impact pandemic restrictions and are exploring ways of utilising excess reserves. From discussions at the 2020 and 2021 AGM and at EC meetings, plans have been made to direct excess reserves towards more support to early career scholars and offer paid internships within the Society to support work to address issues of inclusivity and diversity in the field of the social history of medicine. Discussions and further proposals will be put forward in 2023.</p>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£123,728
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	<p>The trustees have reviewed major risks. Procedures are in place to manage these risks. Income flow has been fairly steady over recent years, and as the Society does not have employees, risks are limited. Issues arising are discussed during Executive Committee meetings. The Committee meets three times per year.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	The charity is almost wholly reliant on the income generated by its journal and other publications. As detailed above, we re-invest much of this into promoting the subject through support for conferences and individual researchers.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

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Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	The charity was formed by a written Constitution, which was updated in 2012 and again in 2022 and is available on the SSHM website https://sshm.org/portfolio/the-society/
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	The charity is governed by its trustees, the elected members of the Executive Committee (EC), which meets at least three times a year.
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	The Chairperson and other officers are elected by the EC from their members. EC members must be members of the Society and are elected by the membership and serve a term of three years. The Officers of the Society are the Chair, Secretary and Treasurer and tenure of office is three years in each instance. Office holders may, at the end of their term of office, complete their term of EC membership. Office holders may also complete their tenure of office even if their elected period of membership of the Executive Committee has expired. Candidates for EC must be proposed and seconded by other members of the Society. The journal and book series editors are <i>ex officio</i> members of the EC (without voting rights) and are not trustees of the charity.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	New Executive Committee members are directed to Charity Commission's guide, The Essential Trustee (CC3) which explains the main legal responsibilities trustees have. Also, to the National Council for Voluntary Organisations (NCVO) as a suggested resource to find out more about becoming a charity trustee.
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The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Society for the Social History of Medicine
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	278414
Charity's principal address	University Of Kent School of History, Room N3 Rutherford College Canterbury Kent CT2 7NZ

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Dr Rosemary Cresswell	Chair/EC Member	Stepped down as Chair on 1 July 2022	
2	Dr Victoria Bates	Secretary	Stepped down 1 July 2022	
3	Dr Anna Greenwood	Treasurer	Stepped down 1 July 2022	
4	Dr Beatriz Pichel	EC Member	Elected 1 July 2022	
5	Dr Laura Kelly	EC Member	Stepped down 1 July 2022	
6	Dr Cara Dobbing	EC Member	Stepped down 1 July 2022	
7	Dr Rebecca Wynter	EC Member	Re-elected 1 July 2022	
8	Dr Clare Hickman	EC Member	Stepped down 1 July 2022	
9	Dr Richard McKay	EC Member/Treasurer	Treasurer from 1 July 2022	
10	Dr Stephen Mawdsley	EC Member	Re-elected 1 July 2022	
11	Dr Samiksha Sehrawat	EC Member		
12	Dr Lisa Smith	EC Member/Chair	Chair from 1 July 2022	
13	Dr Vanessa Heggie	EC Member		
14	Dr Claire Jones	EC Member/Secretary	Secretary from 1 July 2022	
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Financial	Paul Cowham, MA, FCA, DChA	Green Fish Resource Centre, 46-50 Oldham Street, Manchester MS 1LE

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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 Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial period which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of its incoming resources and application of resources of the period. In preparing financial statements giving a true and fair view the trustees should follow best practice and:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;



- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with applicable law and the Constitution. They are responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Lisa Smith	Richard McKay
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Treasurer
Date	22/9 /2023	

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES AND MEMBERS OF THE SOCIETY FOR THE SOCIAL HISTORY OF MEDICINE

I report on the accounts for the charity for the year ended 31st December 2022 which are set out on pages 15 to 16 and have been prepared using the receipts and payments method.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedure laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145 (5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Paul Cowham

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28 Sep 2023

THE SOCIETY FOR THE SOCIAL HISTORY OF MEDICINE
 Receipts and Payments Accounts
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	2022	2021
	Total	Total
Receipts		
Income from charitable activities		
Royalties OUP	24,473	24,249
Royalties Book Series	1,218	1,531
Editorial Retainer	7,990	3,768
Membership Fees	14	14
	33,695	29,562
Investment income		
Interest	97	7
Total Receipts	33,792	29,569
Payments		
Administration - Exec Secretary	6,706	3,406
Honoraria <i>SHM</i> Co-Editors	6,000	5,700
Editorial Assistants' Fees	720	600
Editorial Office Expenses (postage etc)	674	727
Editorial Board & Book Series Editorial Expenses	1,501	-
Internships/Fellowships*	2,500	-
Executive Cttee Meeting Expenses	4,874	-
Website & Dropbox	216	250
Gazette, flyers, publicity	-	196
	23,191	10,879
Conference Grants	1,980	-
Bursaries	4,460	350
Essay Prize	888	700
	7,328	1,050
Independent Examination	550	550
Bank Charges	281	123
Miscellaneous	150	-
	981	673
Total Payments	31,500	12,602
Net of receipts/(payments)	2,292	16,967
Bank+cash brought forward	125,530	108,564
Cash surplus/(deficit) in the year	2,292	16,967
Bank+cash carried forward	127,822	125,531

Please note: all funds are unrestricted funds. *New item for 2022.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE SOCIAL HISTORY OF MEDICINE

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

AT THE END OF THE PERIOD

	2022	2021
	£	£
Fixed assets		
Tangible assets	-	-
	-	-
Debtors – money owed to the charity	164	-
Cash assets		
Bank deposit account	66,537	66,441
Bank current account	61,285	59,090
Net cash assets	127,822	125,531
Net assets	127,986	125,531
Liabilities	4,258	6,323
Total assets at the end of the period	123,728	119,208

Notes: all funds are unrestricted funds. The Society has a current policy of holding reserves to cover one year's cover cash flow requirements and for any potential gaps in income. In addition extra reserves are being held should the running of the journal be affected as a consequence of Plan S and publishers' commitment to transitioning their journals to open access through the Transformative Journal model <https://www.coalition-s.org/plan-s-compliant-transformative-journals/> The EC has therefore set a total reserve of £60,000 until the impact is clear.

The charity's assets increased slightly during 2022, bursaries and conference grants were paid out after the Covid-19 pandemic but with some restrictions still in place at the start of the 2022, they did not reach pre-pandemic levels. In total the Society had £127,822 in cash reserves at the end of the period.

The Society needs reserves to cover cash flow requirements and potential gaps in income, as well as to fund future changes in the running of the journal. Reserves are held in a savings account. The trustees judge the current level of reserves to be adequate [see note above].

The trustees have reviewed major risks. Procedures are in place to manage these risks. Income flow has been fairly steady over recent years, and as the Society does not have employees, risks are limited. Issues arising are discussed during Executive Committee meetings. The Committee meets three times per year.

SOCIETY FOR THE SOCIAL HISTORY OF MEDICINE

England & Wales - Charity number 278414

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From: 01.01.2021 **Period start date** **To:** 31.12.2021 **Period end date**

Charity name: Society for the Social History of Medicine

Charity registration number: 278414

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The objects of the Society set out in its Constitution are to advance the education of the public in the social history of medicine and in pursuance of that purpose to promote research and disseminate the results.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	The charity's main activities in furtherance of its objects are the editing and production of a journal, <i>Social History of Medicine</i> https://academic.oup.com/shm which includes research articles and book reviews. Also, the production of a series of scholarly books, <i>Social Histories of Medicine</i> https://manchesteruniversitypress.co.uk/series/social-histories-of-medicine/ . The Society maintains an international membership, holds a biennial conference and sponsors selected other relevant scholarly conferences. The Society also represents the subject in relevant policy-making bodies. Publication in our outlets and attendance at conferences is open to non-members. Membership for students and the unwaged is subsidized with the added benefit of reduced conference charges. Support is also offered through bursaries for students and early career members to attend relevant conferences. With its activities the Society aims to foster understanding for and raise the profile of the social history of medicine both in the UK and internationally. This includes lobbying activities relevant to members, and more broadly, history of medicine as a discipline, and responding to issues in relation to the strategies of relevant funding bodies such as the Arts and Humanities Research Council, the Economic and Social Research Council or the Wellcome Trust. Funds raised from sales of the journal and other relevant publications enable the trustees to fund its commitments and maintain a financial reserve.
Statement confirming whether the trustees	Para 1.18	The trustees of the charity have paid due regard to the guidance published by the Charity Commission

have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit		on public benefit. All trustees of the Society are volunteers. They are supported by paid, part-time administrative support which was put in place in April 2018.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>In 2021 the charity endeavoured to continue its usual activities; however, some activities continued to be impacted by the Covid-19 pandemic. The Society's bi-annual conference (and 50th Anniversary commemoration) that was postponed in 2020 could not be re-scheduled for 2021 (it will take place in 2022). The Society could continue as usual with publication activities but there was little call to draw on the charity's reserves for conference grants and travel bursaries as conferences were either cancelled or postponed due to the pandemic.</p> <p>Membership OUP Reports indicate that there were 236 members at the end of 2021, which is down on the previous year (292 members in 2020). The Covid pandemic with restrictions has prevented in person conferences which are useful in attracting</p>

	<p>new members. In terms of a breakdown for the membership figures for 2021, student membership remains consistent and forms 30% (30.3% in 2020; 38.7% in 2019; 30.7% in 2018) while individual membership figures are at 57% (55.5% 2020; 49.6% in 2019; 57.2% in 2018). The majority of our members continue to come from the UK at 58% (58.7% in 2020; 59.5% in 2019; 53.9% in 2018) while most of the remaining members are from North America at 16% (11.8% in 2020; 11.7% in 2019; 14.4% in 2018). European membership stands at 13% (15% in 2020; 14% in 2019; 14% in 2018).</p> <p>The membership rates for 2021 were: Student/Reduced: £26.00, \$51.00, €39.00. Regular: £48.00, \$97.00, €73.00. We have two members who do not subscribe via OUP and their payments are recorded in the accounts. From 2023 there will be a new membership rate with online only access to the journal.</p> <p>Publications</p> <p>The Society's journal <i>Social History of Medicine</i> has seen a slightly decreased number of submissions with 180 in 2021 (196 in 2020). The Society published 4 issues of the journal in 2021 with a total of 55 articles (56 in 2020) and a higher number of book reviews at 65 (58 in 2020), due to increased page allowance.</p> <p>The book series with Manchester University Press, <i>Social Histories of Medicine</i> continues to prosper with a total of 25 books and 2 in press. This year's publications were:</p> <p>Axel C. Hüntelmann and Oliver Falk (eds.) <i>Accounting for health. Calculation, paperwork and medicine, 1500–2000</i>. (January 2021).</p> <p>Anne Marie Rafferty, Marguerite Dupree and Fay Bound Alberti (eds.) <i>Germs and governance: The past, present and future of hospital infection, prevention and control</i>. (March 2021).</p> <p>Elma Brenner and François-Olivier Touati (eds.) <i>Leprosy and identity in the Middle Ages. From England to the Mediterranean</i>. (April 2021).</p> <p>Anne Hanley and Jessica Meyer (eds.) <i>Patient voices in Britain, 1840–1948</i>. (September 2021).</p>
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Four digital issues of the Society's *Gazette* were produced and distributed via email to members and made available on the Society website.

Conferences/Workshops

The Society invites applications for conference funding three times a year. Only one SSHM grant totalling £250 was awarded in 2021 to support the following conference:

Emotion, Embodiment and the Everyday, c.1500-1800, Oxford, December 2021

This was due to the continuing impact of the Covid-19 pandemic with restrictions. The society is still holding £1013 of funds awarded in 2020 for conferences that could not take place and will honour these awards for the re-scheduled events in 2022.

Student and early career travel bursaries

There were no travel bursaries awarded in 2021 due to Covid pandemic and restrictions with hardly any in-person conferences taking place. The Society is still holding £4460 of funds for travel bursaries awarded for the Society's postponed biennial conference in 2020. The Society will honour these awards for the re-scheduled conference in July 2022.

Postgraduate Support and Training

In response to the Covid-19 pandemic, the Society awarded a small number of Emergency Bursaries for PhD students and early career researchers who may have been impacted by the pandemic. A total of £195 was awarded in 2021 for the purchase of books and digital research material.

Prize winners

The Society awards an annual prize, the Roy Porter Essay Prize worth £500, for the best original unpublished essay in the social history of medicine. In 2021 the Society also awarded a further £200 (2 x £100) as prizes for short listed essays.

The 2020 Roy Porter Essay Prize winner, as announced at the Society's AGM in 2021, was John Beales (Keele University and the Imperial War Museums). The

		<p>winning essay was titled: 'Of One Blood?' Challenging perceptions of wartime blood donor motivation and behaviour: a case study of Bristol and the South West, 1939-1945'.</p> <p>A further two entrants also received recognition: Marsha Wubbles, (Wellcome-funded student at the University of Exeter), with 'A Weighty Matter: understanding fatness, weight-watching and the 'healthful Standard' in eighteenth-Century England'; and Lauren Killingsworth, (Yale University), "With Maps Illustrative of the Disease": Medical Cartography in Late Nineteenth-Century Colonial India'.</p> <p>There were a total of ten entrants.</p> <p>The winner of the 2021 Roy Porter Essay Prize will be announced at the AGM in July 2022.</p> <p>Web and Social Media</p> <p>Our website and social media continue to perform well. The website continues to have international reach, particularly to North America. Visitors to the website engaged with the whole site rather than just the 'home' page. However, the most visited page was 'Home', followed by 'Prizes' and the 'Journal'. The viewing statistics for 2021 were 21,420 views from 10,225 visitors. A decrease in the number of visitors to the website comparable to 2020 figures (28,231 views and 12,708). However, social media has continued to grow, with Twitter followers at 6429 followers (up from 5814) and Facebook at 3218 followers (up from 3100).</p>
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

<p>Achievements against objectives set</p>	<p>Para 1.41</p>	<p>In October 2021 the society applied for two grants from the Wellcome Trust. One for £25,000 to fund Society events (over 48 months). Our proposed programme of new and innovative events will allow us to begin new areas of work in the areas of anti-racism, mid-career support, and discussions about career precarity. Wellcome funds will enable bringing scholars together for physical meetings is essential to create the safe space needed for such sensitive discussions as anti-racism, facilitated by a clinical professional and academics experienced in this area, and regarding concerns about careers. The application was successful and grant funds are</p>
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		<p>administered via the University of Strathclyde.</p> <p>Another grant application for £25,000 is to support the objective of directing funding to networking and networked events. These serial activities promise the space to be both innovative and sustained; a space that has often been limited in the field of the history of medicine and health. What these sustained conversations will do is provide room for creativity and thinking, offering transformative scholarship and assuredly facilitating links and work that would otherwise prove impossible, especially due to our current availability of £1500 per conference funding application, limited so as to support as many activities as possible. The Society plans to fund between four and seven networks with a maximum of £6000 per award, with two rounds of applications for support in 2022 and 2023. This application was also successful and will also be financially administered through the University of Strathclyde.</p>
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Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
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Financial Review

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Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<p>The Society has a current policy of holding reserves to cover one year's cover cash flow requirements and for any potential gaps in income. In addition extra reserves are being held should the running of the journal be affected as a consequence of Plan S and publishers' commitment to transitioning their journals to open access through the Transformative Journal model https://www.coalition-s.org/plan-s-compliant-transformative-journals/. The EC has set a total reserve of £60,000 until the impact is clear.</p> <p>Reserves are held in a savings account. The trustees recognise that the current level of reserves are higher than the set amount, due to the impact pandemic restrictions and are exploring ways of utilising excess reserves. From discussions at the 2020 AGM and at EC meetings, plans have been made to direct excess reserves towards more support to early career scholars and offer paid internships within the Society to support work to address issues of inclusivity and diversity in the field of the social history of medicine. Discussions and further proposals will be put forward in 2022.</p> <p>One new initiative from the discussions is the implementation of a book development prize (2 x £2000 prizes per year) for five years starting in 2022 to assist scholars and encourage the forming of book proposals in the social history of medicine.</p>
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Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
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Reference and Administrative details

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Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	278414
Charity's principal address	B45 Humanities, Dept of History University of Nottingham Nottingham NG7 2RD

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Dr Rosemary Cresswell	Chair		
2	Dr Victoria Bates	Secretary		
3	Dr Anna Greenwood	Treasurer		
4	Dr Anne Hanley	EC Member	Stepped down 1 December 2021	
5	Dr Laura Kelly	EC Member		
6	Dr Cara Dobbing	EC Member		
7	Dr Rebecca Wynter	EC Member		
8	Dr Clare Hickman	EC Member	Re-elected 24 June 2021	
9	Dr Richard McKay	EC Member	Re-elected 24 June 2021	
10	Dr Stephen Mawdsley	EC Member		
11	Dr Samiksha Sehrawat	EC Member	Re-elected 24 June 2021	
12	Dr Lisa Smith	EC Member		
13	Dr Vanessa Heggie	EC Member		
14	Dr Claire Jones	EC Member		
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

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Description of the assets held in this capacity	
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Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Financial	Paul Cowham, MA, FCA, DChA	Green Fish Resource Centre, 46-50 Oldham Street, Manchester MS 1LE

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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 Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

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- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
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The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with applicable law and the Constitution. They are responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	<i>RBCresswell</i>	<i>Anna Greenwood</i>
Full name(s)	Rosemary Cresswell	Anna Greenwood
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Treasurer
Date	1 July 2022	

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES AND MEMBERS OF THE SOCIETY FOR THE SOCIAL HISTORY OF MEDICINE

I report on the accounts for the charity for the year ended 31st December 2021 which are set out on pages 13 to 14 and have been prepared using the receipts and payments method.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedure laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145 (5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

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(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Paul Cowham

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THE SOCIETY FOR THE SOCIAL HISTORY OF MEDICINE

Receipts and Payments Accounts

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	2021	2020
		Total
Receipts		
Income from charitable activities		
Royalties OUP	24,249	25,471
Royalties Book Series	1,531	1,866
Editorial Retainer	3,768	7,536
Membership Fees	14	14
Conference income	0	0
Donations	0	254
Gift Aid on Donations	0	0
	29,562	35,141
Investment income		
Interest	7	67
Total Receipts	29,569	35,208
Payments		
Administration - Exec Secretary	3,406	4,166
Honoraria <i>SHM</i> Co-Editors	5,700	4,800
Editorial Assistants' Fees	600	165
Editorial Office Expenses (postage etc)	727	1,172
Editorial Board Meeting Expenses	0	0
Book Series Editorial Expenses	0	0
Executive Cttee Meeting Expenses	0	1,065
Website & Dropbox	250	291
Gazette, flyers, publicity	196	1,158
	10,879	12,817
Conference Grants	0	1,917
Bursaries	350	1,451
Essay Prize	700	1,000
	1050	4,368
Independent Examination	550	550
Bank Charges	123	123
Miscellaneous	0	600
	673	1,273
Total Payments	12,602	18,458
Net of receipts/(payments)	16,967	16,750
Bank+cash brought forward	108,564	91,815
Cash surplus/(deficit) in the year	16,967	16,750
Bank+cash carried forward	125,531	108,565

Please note: all funds are unrestricted funds

THE SOCIETY FOR THE SOCIAL HISTORY OF MEDICINE

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

AT THE END OF THE PERIOD

	2021	2020
	£	£
Fixed assets		
Tangible assets	0	0
	0	0
Cash assets		
Bank deposit account	66,441	66,434
Bank current account	59,090	42,131
	125,531	108,565
Net cash assets	125,531	108,565
Net assets	125,531	108,565
Liabilities	6,323	6,983
Total assets at the end of the period	119,208	101,582

Please note: all funds are unrestricted funds.

The charity's assets increased during 2021, bursaries (down by 76% from 2020 figures, which in themselves were 71% down from the previous year). Conference grants were down 100% as no conference grants were awarded due to Covid-19. In total the Society had £125,531 in cash reserves at the end of the period.

The Society needs reserves to cover cash flow requirements and potential gaps in income, as well as to fund future changes in the running of the journal. Reserves are held in a savings account. The trustees judge the current level of reserves to be adequate.

The trustees have reviewed major risks. Procedures are in place to manage these risks. Income flow has been fairly steady over recent years, and as the Society does not have employees, risks are limited. Issues arising are discussed during Executive Committee meetings. The Committee meets three times per year.

SOCIETY FOR THE SOCIAL HISTORY OF MEDICINE

England & Wales - Charity number 278414

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From: 01.01.2020 Period start date To: 31.12.2020 Period end date

Charity name: Society for the Social History of Medicine

Charity registration number: 278414

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The objects of the Society set out in its Constitution are to advance the education of the public in the social history of medicine and in pursuance of that purpose to promote research and disseminate the results.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	The charity's main activities in furtherance of its objects are the editing and production of a journal, <i>Social History of Medicine</i> https://academic.oup.com/shm which includes research articles and book reviews. Also, the production of a series of scholarly books, <i>Social Histories of Medicine</i> https://manchesteruniversitypress.co.uk/series/social-histories-of-medicine/ . The Society maintains an international membership, holds a biennial conference and sponsors selected other relevant scholarly conferences. The Society also represents the subject in relevant policy-making bodies. Publication in our outlets and attendance at conferences is open to non-members. Membership for students and the unwaged is subsidized with the added benefit of reduced conference charges. Support is also offered through bursaries for students and early career members to attend relevant conferences. With its activities the Society aims to foster understanding for and raise the profile of the social history of medicine both in the UK and internationally. This includes lobbying activities relevant to members, and more broadly, history of medicine as a discipline, and responding to issues in relation to the strategies of relevant funding bodies such as the Arts and Humanities Research Council, the Economic and Social Research Council or the Wellcome Trust. Funds raised from sales of the journal and other relevant publications enable the trustees to fund its commitments and maintain a financial reserve.
Statement confirming whether the trustees	Para 1.18	The trustees of the charity have paid due regard to the guidance published by the Charity Commission

have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit		on public benefit. All trustees of the Society are volunteers. They are supported by paid, part-time administrative support which was put in place in April 2018.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>In 2020 the charity endeavoured to continue its usual activities; however, many planned activities were impacted by the Covid-19 pandemic. The Society's bi-annual conference (and 50th Anniversary commemoration) was cancelled and the Society's conference grants were affected as many other conferences were either cancelled or postponed.</p> <p>Membership OUP Reports indicate that there were 292 members at the end of 2020, which is slightly down on the previous year (315 members in 2019). Individual memberships form the largest part of the membership at 55% (56% in 2019), with student/reduced membership at 42% (43% in 2019). Memberships from developing countries form 3% of the total membership. The membership rates were: Student/Reduced: £25.00, \$50.00, €38.00.</p>

	<p>Regular: £47.00, \$95.00, €71.00. We have two members who do not subscribe via OUP and their payments are recorded in the accounts.</p> <p>Publications</p> <p>The Society's journal <i>Social History of Medicine</i> has seen a similar number of submissions with 196 in 2020 (190 in 2019), despite the impact of Covid-19. The Society published 4 issues of the journal in 2020 with a total of 56 articles and 58 book reviews. A greater number of articles were published in comparison to 2019 (36 articles) due to a higher page budget.</p> <p>The book series with Manchester University Press, <i>Social Histories of Medicine</i> continues to prosper with a total of 22 books and 4 in press. This year's publications were:</p> <p>Melissa Dickson, Emilie Taylor-Brown, and Sally Shuttleworth (eds.) <i>Progress and pathology. Medicine and culture in the nineteenth century</i>. January 2020.</p> <p>Mark Jackson and Martin D. Moore (eds.) <i>Balancing the self: Medicine, politics and the regulation of health in the twentieth century</i>. March 2020.</p> <p>Jean-Paul Gaudillière, Claire Beaudevin, Christoph Gradmann, Anne M. Lovell, and Laurent Pordié (eds.) <i>Global health and the new world order: Historical and anthropological approaches to a changing regime of governance</i>. October 2020.</p> <p>Caroline Rusterholz, <i>Women's medicine. Sex, family planning and British female doctors in transnational perspective, 1920–70</i>. December 2020.</p> <p>Four issues of the Society's <i>Gazette</i> were produced. January's issue was printed and distributed by post as usual. As a result of the Covid-19 pandemic the April, July and November issues were digital issues distributed via email and made available on the Society website. At the last AGM it was decided that the <i>Gazette</i> should continue to be produced in digital format in 2021. The British Library were informed that the Society will no longer be depositing print copies.</p> <p>Conferences/Workshops</p> <p>The Society invites applications for conference funding three times a year.</p>
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	<p>SSHM grants totalling £1623 were awarded in 2020 to support the following conferences/workshops:</p> <p><i>Embodied Salvation: Medicine, Science over Religion in the Middle Ages</i>, (was planned for June 2020 – possibly re-scheduled for July 2021).</p> <p><i>Sexual Violence in Modern European History</i>, Birbeck College, London (was planned for November 2020).</p> <p>The Covid-19 pandemic meant that some of the conferences did not take place but the Society intends to honour the awards if the conferences are re-scheduled. The number of applications was considerably lower than previous years due to pandemic restrictions.</p> <p>Student and early career travel bursaries In 2020 the Society granted a total of £4622 in travel bursaries to students and scholars with no other means of support to attend conferences. Only £162 was claimed as the conferences applicable to the other grants could not be held due to Covid-19 restrictions. The Society will honour the awards for re-scheduled conferences.</p> <p>Postgraduate Support and Training In response to the Covid-19 pandemic, the Society awarded a small number of Emergency Bursaries for PhD students and early career researchers who may have been impacted by the pandemic. A total of £735 was awarded in 2020.</p> <p>Prize winners The Society awards an annual prize, the Roy Porter Essay Prize worth £500, for the best original unpublished essay in the social history of medicine.</p> <p>The 2019 Roy Porter Essay Prize winner, as announced at the Society’s AGM in 2020, was Elizabeth Evens (UCL) for ‘Playboy Yearbooks and the backlash to women’s increased presence in the U.S. medical schools. A further three entrants also received recognition. There were a total of thirteen entrants.</p> <p>The winner of the 2020 Roy Porter Essay Prize will be announced at the AGM in June 2021.</p>
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		<p>Web and Social Media</p> <p>The website continues to have international reach, particularly to North America. Most visitors to the website engaged with the whole site rather than just the 'home' page. The most visited pages have been 'Prizes' and the 'Journal'. The viewing statistics for 2020 (28,231 views from 12,708 visitors) show an increase in the number of visitors to the website comparable to 2019 figures (28,472 views and 11,708). Social media has continued to grow with Twitter followers at 5814 followers (up from 5002). Facebook, 3,100 followers (up from 2830).</p>
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Other		The charity was subject to a fraudulent transaction of £1200 during the year. This was reported to Action Fraud and a full review of financial procedures were

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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	<i>Rosemary Cresswell</i>	<i>Anna Greenwood</i>
Full name(s)	Rosemary Cresswell	Anna Greenwood
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Treasurer
Date	24 June 2021	

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(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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THE SOCIETY FOR THE SOCIAL HISTORY OF MEDICINE
 Receipts and Payments Accounts
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

	2020	2019
	Total	Total
Receipts		
Income from charitable activities		
Royalties OUP	25,471	27,073
Royalties Book Series	1,866	1,734
Editorial Retainer	7,536	7,459
Membership Fees	14	14
Conference income	0	0
Donations	254	0
Gift Aid on Donations	0	0
		36,280
Investment income		
Interest	67	132
Total Receipts	35,208	36,412
Payments		
Administration - Exec Secretary	4,166	5,000
Honoraria <i>SHM</i> Co-Editors	4,800	4,800
Editorial Assistants' Fees	165	840
Editorial Office Expenses (postage etc)	1,172	0
Editorial Board Meeting Expenses	0	255
Book Series Editorial Expenses**	0	2,264
Executive Cttee Meeting Expenses	1,065	1,997
Website & Dropbox	291	109
Gazette, flyers, publicity	1,158	1,324
	12,817	16,589
Conference Grants	1,917	4,411
Bursaries	1,451	5,044
Essay Prize	1,000	500
	4,368	9,955
Independent Examination	550	550
Bank Charges	123	212
Miscellaneous	600	
	1,273	762
Total Payments	18,458	27,306
Net of receipts/(payments)	16,750	9,106
Bank+cash brought forward	91,815	82,709
Cash surplus/(deficit) in the year	16,750	9,106
Bank+cash carried forward	108,565	91,815

Please note: all funds are unrestricted funds. **2 years paid in 2019 due to late claim, no claim made in 2020.

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

AT THE END OF THE PERIOD

	2020	2019
	£	£
Fixed assets		
Tangible assets	0	0
	0	0
Cash assets		
Bank deposit account	66,434	66,366
Bank current account	42,131	25,449
	108,565	91,815
Net cash assets	108,565	91,815
Net assets	108,565	91,815
Liabilities	6,983	1,580
Total assets at the end of the period	101,582	90,235

Please note: all funds are unrestricted funds.

The charity's assets increased during 2020, bursaries (down by 71% in 2020, went down) and conference grants (down by 56% in 2020) were not as in demand as in previous years due to Covid-19. In total the Society had £108,564 in cash reserves at the end of the period.

The Society needs reserves to cover cash flow requirements and potential gaps in income, as well as to fund future changes in the running of the journal. Reserves are held in a savings account. The trustees judge the current level of reserves to be adequate.

The trustees have reviewed major risks. Procedures are in place to manage these risks. Income flow has been fairly steady over recent years, and as the Society does not have employees, risks are limited. Issues arising are discussed during Executive Committee meetings. The Committee meets three times per year.

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