

JEWISH LITERARY FOUNDATION
(A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)
REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

President	Gail Sandler Lucy Silver
Honorary Life Presidents	Marion Cohen Marilyn Lehrer
Council of Management	Antony Grossman – Chair Dr Alexander Gordon Robin Hilton Paul Israel FCA - Hon Treasurer Stephanie Marcus Anne Webber
Members of the Book Council	Marion Cohen Avi Goldberg Antony Grossman Robin Hilton Paul Israel Stephanie Marcus Philip Skelker - resigned 17 March 2025 Anne Webber
Management Team	Claudia Rubenstein – Executive and Creative Director Sarah Fairbairn –Production Director Sarah Gluckstein – Programmes Coordinator
Charity Registration Number	293800
Company Registration Number	01989333
Registered Office	River House 1 Maidstone Road Sidcup Kent DA14 5RH
Independent Examiner	M A Wilkes FCA Azets Audit Services River House 1 Maidstone Road Sidcup Kent DA14 5RH
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**JEWISH LITERARY FOUNDATION
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**REPORT OF THE COUNCIL OF MANAGEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025**

The Council of Management present their report and financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2025. The Trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' (FRS 102) in preparing the annual report and financial statements of the charity.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

Objectives

The objective of the charity is to promote public knowledge and understanding of Jewish culture both within and without the community.

Its principal purpose is to stimulate and encourage the reading and discussion on every aspect of Jewish thought, life, history and literature.

In furtherance of its objectives, the charity in the main:

- Assists in and organises an annual festival with satellite events throughout the year; a speakers in schools programme; writers and translators development; enriching lectures, interviews, and panel-discussions for public benefit, given by authors and experts in their chosen fields.

REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES, ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The Jewish Book Week Team

The team comprises four permanent staff: Executive and Creative Director Claudia Rubenstein, Production Director Sarah Fairbairn, Projects Coordinator Sarah Gluckstein, and Marketing and Communications Manager Charlotte Churcher, bringing marketing and PR fully in-house for the first time.

Jewish Book Week 2025

The festival took place from 1–9 March at Kings Place and online, delivering 68 in-person events, four lunchtime off-site sessions, and 12 online events hosted via Lockdown University. Total ticket sales were 7,840, slightly lower than 2024, but engagement remained strong, with nearly a quarter of the programme offered free of charge. Online events averaged 240 devices per session, with War & Morality and Mindless: What Happened to the Universities? attracting the largest audiences. International speakers, particularly from Israel, featured prominently, and 19% of survey respondents were first-time attendees. The £5 under-30s and concessionary ticket schemes continued to support accessibility and audience development.

The festival operates a bookshop, managed by Waterstones. This year the festival's share of book sale royalties amounted to £3,553. Marketing refreshed the festival's visual identity, nearly doubled Instagram reach, and maintained a newsletter open rate of 49.3%. Operations ran smoothly, with minor improvements identified in room changes, sound, signage, and accessibility. Robust security ensured the safety of audiences, staff, and speakers.

Authors in Schools Programme

Little activity occurred over the past year due to previous lay leaders stepping back. Plans are in place to revitalise the programme with support from a new lay leader, responding to requests from schools.

Genesis Jewish Book Week Emerging Writers Programme

The 2024/25 programme concluded successfully, with 70% of participants' works picked up by agents or publishers. Funding for a further two years has been confirmed by the Genesis Foundation.

Green Bean: Jewish Children's Book Awards for Writers and Illustrators

Green Bean Books and the Jewish Literary Foundation provide annual prizes for children's authors and illustrators living in Europe and the UK. The awards have been established to discover inspiring and relevant stories for young children based on Jewish history, values and traditions. The winning author receives £1,000, with their book considered for publication by specialist Jewish children's book publisher Green Bean Books.

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Jewish Book Week Archive – JLF Player

Films of events in our extensive archive (JLF Player) now number nearly 1000 and the archive forms an integral part of our new website. Additional funding has been provided by the Klein Family Foundation for further development of the JLF Player site on our website, increasing its functionality and user experience features and increasing its reach.

FINANCES

The 2025 festival sold 7,840 tickets, generating total ticket revenue of £127,296. While ticket sales were slightly lower than in 2024, this reflected a deliberate shift in programme balance, with a significantly expanded offer of free in-hall events, workshops, and online programming, all of which attracted strong audiences but were not reflected in ticket income. The removal of paid online events, which contributed to ticket sales in the previous year, also impacted overall sales figures. Taken together, these factors indicate sustained audience engagement alongside a strategic emphasis on access and participation.

The organisation continued to benefit from the ongoing support of its core funders and supporters. Support from sponsors including Dangoor Education and Eduard Shyfrin and family, together with grants from trusts such as The Edith and Ferdinand Porjes Charitable Fund, the Pears Foundation, and The Shoresh Charitable Trust, ensured that the organisation's activities were delivered as planned. The organisation also continued to administer and manage projects supported by restricted income from funders including the Genesis Foundation and the Klein Family Foundation, with associated funds remaining in restricted accounts at the year end in line with ongoing project delivery.

Income during the year was £461,957 (2024: £374,968). Expenditure for the year totalled £422,605 (2024: £473,241) resulting in a surplus of £39,352 (2024: Deficit of £98,263).

At the year end, the charity had net assets and funds of £306,473 (2024: £267,121).

Reserves Policy

On 30 June 2025, the charity held unrestricted funds of £207,186 (2024: £238,036). The charity relies on donations, sponsorship and grants to meet more than half the cost of its activities, mainly those of the festival. As these costs increase and as financial arrangements for the festival are committed as much as a year in advance, the Council of Management believe that in today's economic climate the achieved level of unrestricted funds, £225,000 to £250,000 (2024: £225,000 to £250,000) which equates to approximately nine months (2024: nine months) of core expenditure is prudent.

The Council of Management runs the finances in a very careful and cost-effective fashion to maintain our stability and continuity.

The charity also holds restricted funds of £99,287 (2024: £29,085) at 30 June 2025, which are to be spent on specific projects.

The Council of Management reviews the reserves policy on an annual basis.

Risk Management

The Council of Management has examined the major risks that the charity faces and confirms that systems have been established so that the necessary steps can be taken to manage those risks.

GOING CONCERN

In light of the finance information set out above, the Trustees feel confident that they have considered every reasonable eventuality and that the Jewish Literary Foundation is a going concern.

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**REPORT OF THE COUNCIL OF MANAGEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025**

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Constitution

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association.

Council of Management

The Council of Management, who are also directors for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006 and trustees for Charity Act purposes, who served during the period to date were:

- Dr Alexander Gordon
- Antony Grossman
- Robin Hilton
- Paul Israel FCA
- Stephanie Marcus
- Anne Webber

Recruitment and Appointment of Members of the Council of Management

The number of members of the Council of Management shall be no less than three and no more than twenty.

The Council of Management may from time to time and at any point appoint any member of the Book Council as a member of the Council of Management, either to fill a casual vacancy or by the way of addition to the Council of Management, provided that the prescribed maximum is not exceeded. Any member so appointed shall retain his or her office until the next Annual General Meeting, but he or she will then be eligible for re-election.

A member of the Council of Management may resign at any time by serving written notice to the Book Council.

No person who is not a member of the Book Council shall in any circumstances be eligible to hold office as a member for the Council of Management.

The holder of the position of President is the previous Chair(s) upon retirement. The President is no longer a member of the Council of Management and therefore not a trustee (or director for the purposes of company law). The term of President ends when the current Chair(s) retires. The President may, however, be co-opted to any of above as agreed by the Chair(s).

When considering the appointment of new Council of Management Members, personal recommendations are duly considered having regard to the requirement for any specialist skills as needed. Any potential candidates must then serve on the Jewish Literary Foundation for a period of time before being eligible for appointment to the Council of Management.

Members of the Council of Management – Induction & Training

New members of the Council of Management are briefed on their legal obligations under charity and company law, the content of the Memorandum and Articles of Association, the committee, the strategies, recent financial performance and the decision-making processes of the charity.

Most of the members of the Council of Management are or were professionals in their own fields who offer the broad mix of skills required by the Charity and are already familiar with their responsibilities and the practical work of the Charity.

Organisation

The Council of Management meet and convene as necessary and its members are in frequent communication. All decisions on the strategic direction and policy of the charity are made by the Council of Management. The day to day management of the charity is delegated to the Executive Director but all decisions are subject to approval of the Council of Management.

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**REPORT OF THE COUNCIL OF MANAGEMENT
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STATEMENT OF COUNCIL OF MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITIES

The Council of Management is responsible for preparing the Report of the Council of Management and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company and charity law requires the Council of Management to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under these laws the Council of Management has elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company and charity law the Council of Management must not approve the financial statements unless it is satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the surplus or deficit for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Council of Management is required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP 2016 (FRS 102);
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The Council of Management is responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charitable company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable it to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. It is also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

By Order of the Board

Antony Grossman
Chair

Paul Israel FCA
Treasurer

Date: 17 February 2026

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS

I report to the Council of Management on my examination of the accounts of the company for the year ended 30 June 2025 which are set out on pages 8 to 17.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

M A Wilkes (FCA)

For and on behalf of Azets Audit Services
River House, 1 Maidstone Road
Sidcup, Kent, DA14 5RH

Date: 23 February 2026

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total funds	
				2025 £	2024 £
Income from:					
Donations	2	146,753	242,539	389,292	300,217
Charitable activities	3	67,173	-	67,173	72,767
Bank interest received		5,492	-	5,492	1,984
Total income		<u>219,418</u>	<u>242,539</u>	<u>461,957</u>	<u>374,968</u>
Expenditure from:					
Raising Funds		24,124	-	24,124	19,382
Charitable activities		226,144	172,337	398,481	453,859
Total expenditure	5	<u>250,268</u>	<u>172,337</u>	<u>422,605</u>	<u>473,241</u>
Net movement in funds		(30,850)	70,202	39,352	(98,273)
Balance brought forward at 1 July 2024		<u>238,036</u>	<u>29,085</u>	<u>267,121</u>	<u>365,394</u>
Balances carried forward at 30 June 2025		<u>207,186</u>	<u>99,287</u>	<u>306,473</u>	<u>267,121</u>

All transactions are derived from continuing activities.

All recognised gains and losses are included in the Statement of Financial Activities.

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
COMPARATIVE INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total funds 2024 £
Prior year – 30 June 2024				
Income from:				
Donations	2	120,717	179,500	300,217
Charitable activities	3	71,239	1,528	72,767
Bank interest received		1,984	-	1,984
Total income		<u>193,940</u>	<u>181,028</u>	<u>374,968</u>
Expenditure from:				
Raising Funds		19,382	-	19,382
Charitable activities		237,758	216,101	453,859
Total expenditure	5	<u>257,140</u>	<u>216,101</u>	<u>473,241</u>
Net movement in funds		(63,200)	(35,073)	(98,273)
Balance brought forward at 1 July 2023		<u>301,236</u>	<u>64,158</u>	<u>365,394</u>
Balances carried forward at 30 June 2024		<u>238,036</u>	<u>29,085</u>	<u>267,121</u>

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BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 30 JUNE 2025

	Note	£	2025	£	£	2024	£
Fixed Assets	7			-			-
Current Assets							
Debtors	8	18,865			1,910		
Current asset investment		150,000			150,000		
Cash at bank and in hand		147,483			123,799		
		<u>316,348</u>			<u>275,709</u>		
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	<u>(9,875)</u>			<u>(8,588)</u>		
Net Current Assets				306,473			267,121
Net Assets				<u>306,473</u>			<u>267,121</u>
Represented by:							
Unrestricted funds				207,186			238,036
Restricted funds	10			99,287			29,085
	11			<u>306,473</u>			<u>267,121</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 30 June 2025.

The members have not required the charitable company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2025 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The Council of Management acknowledge its responsibilities for:

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records which comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or loss for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

The financial statements were approved by the Council of Management on 17 February 2026 and were signed on its behalf by:

Antony Grossman
Chair

Paul Israel FCA
Hon Treasurer

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 Basis of preparation

The Jewish Literary Foundation is a company limited by guarantee in the United Kingdom. In the event of the charitable company being wound up, the liability in respect to the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the charitable company. The address of the registered office is given in the charity information on page 2 of these financial statements. The nature of the charitable company's operations and principal activities are set out on page 3.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value. The financial statements are prepared in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

1.2 Income

All income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the charity is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- Voluntary income including donations and grants is included in the SOFA when receivable.
- Income from charitable activities includes admission fees to events for the promotion and education of Jewish Literature and is recognised in the year in which it is receivable and when the charity becomes entitled to the income.
- Investment income is included when receivable.

1.3 Expenditure

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. The irrecoverable element of VAT is included with the item of expense to which it relates. Expenditure is recognised where there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payments to third parties, it is probable that the settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. It is categorised under the following headings:

- Costs of raising funds are those costs incurred in attracting voluntary income.
- Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities. It includes both costs allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

1.4 Support costs allocation

- Support costs are those that assist the work of the charity but do not directly represent charitable activities and include office costs, governance costs, and administrative payroll costs. They are incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the charity and include project management carried out the Head Office. Where support costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to cost of raising funds and expenditure on charitable activities on a basis consistent with use of the resources.
- Fund-raising costs are those incurred in seeking voluntary contributions and do not include the costs of disseminating information in support of the charitable activities.
- The analysis of these costs is included in note 5.

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1.5 Funds accounting

Unrestricted general funds – these are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the Council of Management.

Restricted funds are funds that can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restriction arises when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes

1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Items over £1,000 are capitalised. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost or valuation of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives as follows:

Computers and equipment	- 33.3% straight line
Website	- 33.3% straight line

1.7 Debtors and creditors receivable / payable within one year

Debtors and creditors with no stated interest rate and receivable or payable within one year are recorded at transaction price. Any losses arising from impairment are recognised in expenditure.

1.8 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand are short-term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash that are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

1.10 Taxation

The charity is an exempt charity within the meaning of schedule 3 of the Charities Act 2011 and it is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. The Charity is unable to recover Valued Added Tax (VAT) incurred on. The amount of VAT that cannot be recovered is included within the underlying cost to which it relates.

1.11 Operating Leases

Rentals applicable to operating leases where substantially all of the benefits and risks of ownership remain with the lessor are charged against profits on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

1.12 Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as the trustees believe that no material uncertainties exist. The trustees have considered the level of funds held and the expected level of income and expenditure for 12 months from authorising these financial statements. The budgeted income and expenditure is sufficient with the level of reserves for the charity to be able to continue as a going concern.

1.13 Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

Accounting estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

There are no key assumptions concerning the future and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting date that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

2. INCOME FROM DONATIONS	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2025	2024
	£	£	£	£
Donations & sponsorship	116,753	-	116,753	100,717
Grant receivable				
Core grants	30,000	158,852	188,852	105,000
Genesis JLF Emerging writers programme	-	58,000	58,000	70,500
Jewish Children's Book Awards (Green Bean Books)	-	25,687	25,687	24,000
	146,753	242,539	389,292	300,217
3. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2025	2024
	£	£	£	£
Contribution from ticket sales	63,071	-	63,071	70,475
Share of book sales	3,553	-	3,553	2,292
Library tours	549	-	549	-
	67,173	-	67,173	72,767
4. ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE	Staff costs	Direct costs	Support costs	Total
	£	£	£	£
Current year - 2025				
Raising funds	-	24,124	-	24,124
Charitable activities:				
Venue and event costs	128,697	89,133	24,463	242,293
Educational costs	42,899	105,134	8,155	156,188
	171,596	218,391	32,618	422,605
Prior year - 2024				
Raising funds	-	19,382	-	19,382
Charitable activities:				
Venue and event costs	111,061	103,910	64,773	279,744
Educational costs	37,021	115,503	21,591	174,115
	148,082	238,795	86,364	473,241

All costs are allocated between the expenditure categories noted above on a basis designed to reflect the use of the resource. Costs relating to a particular activity are allocated directly, others are apportioned on an appropriate basis, for example, time spent.

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5. SUPPORT COSTS

	2025	2024
	£	£
Property costs	14,033	16,559
General office	1,841	1,160
Insurance	1,388	1,341
Computer costs	8,705	7,839
Rebranding and advertising	-	54,802
Other costs	2,211	463
Governance costs		
Independent Examination	4,440	4,200
	32,618	86,364

6. STAFF AND COUNCIL OF MANAGEMENT REMUNERATION

	2025	2024
	£	£
Staff costs		
Salaries and wages	161,448	130,833
Social Security costs	6,454	14,289
Pensions	3,694	2,960
	171,596	148,082

Staff numbers

The average number of employees during the financial year was 4 (2024: 3 – by head count).

Higher paid staff

The number of employees whose emoluments as defined for taxation purposes, amounted to over £60,000 in the year was as follows:

	2025	2024
	no.	no.
£60,001 to £70,000	1	1

Key management personnel

The key management personnel comprise those listed on page 2. The total employment benefits including employer national insurance and employer pension contributions of key management personnel was £165,913 (2024: £148,082).

Council of management

All members of the Council of Management give their time freely and no member remuneration or any other benefits were paid in the year. No members (2024: One) were reimbursed for rental expenses (2024: £1,146).

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7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Website	Computers and Equipment	Total
	£	£	£
Cost			
As at 1 July 2024 and 30 June 2025	20,714	6,980	27,694
Depreciation			
As at 1 July 2024 and 30 June 2025	20,714	6,980	27,694
Net Book Values			
At 30 June 2024 and 30 June 2025	-	-	-

8. DEBTORS

	2025	2024
	£	£
Other debtors	18,865	1,910
	18,865	1,910

9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025	2024
	£	£
Other creditors	1,406	1,020
PAYE creditor	4,029	3,368
Accruals	4,440	4,200
	9,875	8,588

10. RESTRICTED FUNDS

	Balance at 1 Jul 24	Income	Expenditure	Balance at 30 Jun 25
	£	£	£	£
Current year - 2025				
Edith and Ferdinand Porjes Charitable Trust	901	-	-	901
Jewish Book Week sponsorship	-	72,000	(72,000)	-
Genesis JLF Emerging Writers Programme	-	58,000	(58,000)	-
Jewish Children's Book Awards (Green Bean Books)	3,184	25,687	(17,337)	11,534
Rothschild Foundation - JLF	25,000	35,000	(25,000)	35,000
Development of JLF player	-	30,000	-	30,000
Jewish Playwrights Programme	-	9,983	-	9,983
Freudenheim Translation Prize	-	11,869	-	11,869
	29,085	242,539	(172,337)	99,287

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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10. RESTRICTED FUNDS (Continued)

Edith and Ferdinand Porjes Charitable Trust

Part funds salary of festival coordinator, contributes to running costs of festival and triennial Porjes Prize

Jewish Book Week sponsorship

Sponsorship from "The Exilarch's Foundation", "The Maurice Wohl Charitable Foundation" and "Pears Foundation" towards the annual running costs of Jewish Book Week

Genesis JLF Emerging Writers Programme

A programme for the mentorship and financial support of ten emerging writers

Jewish Children's Book Awards (Green Bean Books)

A prize awarded to authors and illustrators working on children's books with a Jewish theme

Rothschild Foundation - JLF

The Rothschild Foundation Hanadiv Europe provides funding towards three events co-curated with the National Library of Israel; the remainder goes towards core funding for the Jewish Literary Foundation

Jewish Playwrights Programme

The Shores Foundation provided funding for the inaugural Jewish Playwrights Programme, supporting six emerging playwrights with workshops leading to a showcase at Jewish Book Week 2026.

Freudenheim Translation Prize

The Jewish Literary Foundation's inaugural prize will consider books published in English between June 2023 and June 2025. Open to translators worldwide, the prize recognises outstanding books that explore Jewish themes, history, identity or culture – or are of significant interest to Jewish and wider audiences. Sponsored by Tom and Leslie Freudenheim in honour of Adam Freudenheim, the prize offers a £3,000 award to the winning translator, introducing international Jewish writing to new readers. The prize is promoted by JLF in partnership with the TLS.

Klein Foundation

Funding to update and improve Jewish Book Week's digital archive

	Balance at			Balance at
Prior year - 2024	1 Jul 24	Income	Expenditure	30 Jun 25
	£	£	£	£
Edith and Ferdinand Porjes Charitable Trust	949	-	(48)	901
Jewish Book Week sponsorship	-	60,000	(60,000)	-
Genesis JLF Emerging Writers Programme	3,033	70,500	(73,533)	-
Jewish Children's Book Awards (Green Bean Books)	-	25,528	(22,344)	3,184
Klein Foundation	35,176	-	(35,176)	-
Rothschild Foundation - JLF	25,000	25,000	(25,000)	25,000
	64,158	181,028	(216,101)	29,085

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

11. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN TOTAL FUNDS	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
	£	£	£
Current year - 2025			
Current assets	217,061	99,287	316,348
Current liabilities	(9,875)	-	(9,875)
	<u>207,186</u>	<u>99,287</u>	<u>306,473</u>
Prior year - 2024			
Current assets	246,624	29,085	275,709
Current liabilities	(8,588)	-	(8,588)
	<u>238,036</u>	<u>29,085</u>	<u>267,121</u>

12. SHARE CAPITAL

The company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital. The liability of its members is limited to £1 per member.

13. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Total donations of £8,500 without conditions were received from Trustees during the year (2024 – None).

14. OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS

2025
£

2024
£

At 30 June 2025 the total of the future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases was:

Amounts payable:

Within one year	11,506	3,438
Due within two to five years	<u>1,046</u>	<u>-</u>