The Friends of the RWA

Trustees Report and Accounts Year ended 31 December 2021

Royal West of England Academy Queen's Road, BRISTOL BS8 1PX

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Registered Charity Nº 1107149 Royal West of England Academy, Queen's Road, BRISTOL BS8 1PX

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT 2021

The Friends exist to support the work of the RWA. They do so by providing finance, and by arranging lectures and cultural visits. Their origins can be traced to the Subscribing Members at the Academy's foundation in 1844. They became an independent unincorporated charitable association governed by a constitution adopted in February 1999, modified on 1 November 2004 (prior to registration as a charity), and lastly in October 2021.

The Friends' affairs are run by a committee of Trustees, elected annually by the membership.

The Trustees acting during 2021 were:

Jane Boot (appointed April 2015)	Deborah Jayne Mann (appointed April 2019, resigned December 2021)	Philippa Jane Shelton (<i>appointed May 2018</i>)
Barbara Henderson	Andrew Nixon	Laurel Smart
(appointed December 2020)	(<i>appointed July 201</i> 8)	(appointed April 2019)
Anne Christine Jewell	Stephen Noreiko	Sharne Tasney
(<i>appointed March 2018</i>)	(appointed October 2021)	(appointed February 2019)
Gordon Lewis	Sue Quirk	Patricia Triggs
(appointed June 2021)	(appointed February 2021)	(appointed December 2020)

No Trustee has received any remuneration or other benefits, nor any Trustee's expenses.

The Charity's bankers are: HSBC, 149 Whiteladies Road, BRISTOL BS8 2RR

The Accounts show receipts amounting to £29,648 and outgoing payments of £26,306. The Friends' funds have thus increased by £3,342. Funds were raised primarily through membership subscriptions. Other sources of income, including cultural visits, educational events promoting the work of the Academicians, and the Friends' exhibition, which was held successfully in May 2022, had been curtailed this past year, but although in 2020 restrictions meant that Trips & Visits activity had to be cancelled or postponed, in 2021 as the Covid situation changed, we ran visits in July (Chavenage/Cirencester), October (Oxford), and December (London), as well as a residential visit in September (Norwich), raising in all £2,185. Our main expenditure consisted of donations to the RWA in support of its charitable activities for the public benefit, totalling £18,325. During 2021, members offered their services to carry out various tasks, volunteers continued to give valuable support to such RWA events as took place. The Friends also played an important part in helping the RWA raise £7,625 for a pair of Glass Doors to grace the entrance to the refurbished Academy.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees, Mr Andrew Nixon, Chair

FRIENDS OF THE ROYAL WEST OF ENGLAND ACADEMY

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

	Unrestricted Funds 2021	Unrestricted Funds 2020
Receipts	£	£
Subscriptions & Donations	19,478	23,647
Gift Aid return	7,985	0
Net Contribution from Trips & Visits	2,185	(19)
Contributions from Exhibitions	0	(60)
Contributions from Other Events	0	478
TOTAL RECEIPTS	29,648	24,046
Payments	£	£
Administrative Support	(5,641)	(3,497)
Printing & postage, etc	(1,923)	(1,866)
Insurance including BAFM Membersh	ip (417)	(900)
RUNNING COST OF FRWA	(7,981)	(6,263)
Net Running Surplus	21,667	17,783
Donations to RWA	(18,325)	(23,000)
TOTAL PAYMENTS	(26,306)	(29,263)
NET RECEIPTS (PAYMENTS)	3,342	(5,217)
Total Funds at start of year	2,682	7,899
Total Funds at end of year	6,024	2,682
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FRIENDS OF THE ROYAL WEST OF ENGLAND ACADEMY

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Unrestricted Funds 2021	Unrestricted Funds 2020
	£	£
FIXED ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS AND LIABILITIES		
Cash at bank	6,024	2,682
Unpresented Cheques	0	
<u>Total Net Assets</u>	<u>6,024</u>	<u>2,682</u>
Funds Balance	<u>6,024</u>	2,682

These accounts are prepared on a receipts and payments basis for presentation and approval at the AGM to be held $o_{\rm P}$

Mr Andrew Nixon Chair

Stephen F. Noreiko Treasurer INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE FRIENDS OF THE RWA

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2021 set out on pages 3 and 4.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under charity law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under Section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures 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 the Independent Examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the 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 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 connection with 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 Charities Act 2011; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of Section 132 of the charities Act 2011 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charitieshave 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.

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