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**TRUSTEES REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016**

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**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITABLE COMPANY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS**  
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<b>Trustees</b>	Julia Black Conor Gearty David Kershaw Andrew Lang Andrew Murray Thomas Poole Helen Reece (ceased 5 January 2017) Erika Szyszczak (resigned 21 June 2016) Jo Braithwaite Dev Gangjee Maria Lee Charles Webb (resigned 21 June 2016) Gregoire Webber Neil Duxbury (resigned 21 June 2016) Michael Lobban Virginia Mantouvalou Tanya Aplin Jacco Bomhoff (appointed 4 May 2016) Orla Lynskey (appointed 4 May 2016) Donal Nolan (appointed 4 May 2016) Paul Roberts (appointed 4 May 2016)
<b>Company registered number</b>	00325282
<b>Charity registered number</b>	264072
<b>Registered office</b>	Old Building Houghton Street WC2A 2AE WC2A 2AE
<b>Company secretary</b>	Andrew Murray
<b>Chief executive officer</b>	Julia Black
<b>Independent auditors</b>	Calders (1883) LLP Statutory Auditor and Chartered Accountants 16 Charles II Street London SW1Y 4NW
<b>Bankers</b>	HSBC Bank Plc 16 King Street Covent Garden London WC2E 8JF

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**TRUSTEES' REPORT**  
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The Trustees (who are also Directors of the Charity for the purposes of the Companies Act) submit their annual report and the audited financial statements of The Modern Law Review Limited (the company) for the year ended 31st December 2016. The Trustees confirm that the annual report and financial statements of the company comply with current statutory requirements, the requirements of the company's governing document and the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP), applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015).

Since the company qualifies as small under section 383, the strategic report required of medium and large companies under The Companies Act 2006 (Strategic Report and Director's Report) Regulations 2013 is not required.

Company and charity law applicable to charities in England/Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the surplus or deficit of the company for that period. In preparing those financial statements the Trustees have:

- selected suitable accounting policies and applied them consistently;
- made judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- stated whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepared the financial statements on a going concern basis (unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Trust will continue in operation).

The Trustees have overall responsibility for ensuring that the company has an appropriate system of controls, financial and otherwise. They are also responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the detection and prevention of fraud and other irregularities.

In accordance with company law, as the company's directors, we certify that:

- so far as we are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditors are unaware: and
- as the directors of the company we have taken all the steps that we ought to have taken in order to make ourselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charity's auditors are aware of that information.

### **Reference and Administrative Details**

The Chief Executive Officer of the company is the General Editor, currently Julia Black. The General Editor is responsible for the day to day management of the company.

### **Structure, Governance and Management**

The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association.

There are 17 Directors who meet four times a year as the Editorial Committee, which is responsible for the running of the company. The Directors of the company, and Trustees for the purposes of Charity Law, during the period ended 31st December 2016 are listed on page 1.

There are no significant contracts in which the Directors had or have material interests, nor are there any arrangements to which the company is or was a party, to enable the Directors to acquire the benefit or acquisition of shares in or debentures of any company.

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Members of the Editorial Board, which includes former members of the Editorial Committee and others with expertise in the areas of the company's activities, are available to provide advice to the Editorial Committee as and when required.

The Editorial Committee keeps its membership under regular review and new members are recruited as the Committee thinks necessary for the efficient carrying out of the company's business. The Committee's membership has traditionally been drawn largely, though not exclusively, from among the body of legal academics in British universities.

### **Risk Management**

The Directors manage risks as they arise. They also believe that maintaining reserves at their current level, combined with controls over key financial operations will provide sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions.

### **Objectives and Activities**

The objects of the company are to promote legal education and the study of law and all other arts and sciences and in particular those which are or may be or become of interest to persons concerned in the study or practice of law which involve some legal element and discussion of all questions and topics arising thereout by such means as may be deemed desirable and in particular by the publication issue and circulation of a journal review or other periodical, and by the organisation of lectures, discussions, correspondence with public bodies or individuals and the donation or founding of any scholarships, prizes or other rewards or distinctions. In furtherance of these objects, the company:

- Publishes the Modern Law Review;
- Organises the annual Chorley lecture;
- Provides financial support for seminars on legal or law related topics;
- Provides scholarships for doctoral research on legal or law related subjects; and
- Sponsors the translation of scholarly works on legal or law related subjects which are not currently available in English.

### **Achievements and Performance**

*Publication of the Modern Law Review:* The principal activity of the company during the period covered by this report was the publication of parts of Volume 79 of the Modern Law Review. The total number of institutional subscriptions for the Review was 751 in 2016 compared to 841 in 2015, though despite the decline the level of renewals in line with comparable journals as institutions switch to collection licenses such as the Wiley license which offered 4079 institutions access to the Modern Law Review in 2016. The number of individual subscriptions also declined from 116 in 2015 to 89 in 2016, with a continuation of the pattern which sees individual law teachers using online access via their institutions' subscription. In addition there were 100 DDP subscriptions compared with 105 in 2015. print subscriptions bought at a heavily reduced rate by customers with online licensed subscriptions.

The Modern Law Review is also available through electronic access at 4,386 institutions under the publishers' institutional licensed sales program and 4,079 institutions have access through a Wiley license, a collection license offered by our publishers. The number of visits to [www.modernlawreview.co.uk](http://www.modernlawreview.co.uk) and downloads of articles decreased slightly with downloads down by 3% in 2016 over 2015 and visits by 6% to 44,973. The website has since been redesigned and relaunched and we hope for stronger performance in 2017. More than half of the visitors were from the UK, but overall the website was visited by users from 171 countries. By the end of 2016, 1307 individuals were registered to receive automatic alerts from Wiley when new content appears on the Wiley Online Library. This reflects a 1.6% growth in registrants over the course of last year.

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The Modern Law Review is also available (free of charge or at very low cost) in 7,766 libraries in developing world countries through philanthropic initiatives.

**Seminars:** The following seminars were given support for 2017:

Sheffield	Forty Years On From 'The Political Constitution': Reflections on Law, Politics and Authority
Leicester	The Crisis of International Criminal Law in Africa
UCL	Blockchain and the Constitution of a New Financial Order: Legal and Political Challenges
Northumbria	Justice, Counter Terrorism, and Miscarriages of Justice

**Scholarships:** The following students were awarded scholarships to support their doctoral research in the academic year 2016-17:

Bristol	Tania Cheng-Davies
Cambridge	Stefan Theil
Cambridge	Darren Harvey
Edinburgh	Paul Burgess
Edinburgh	Peter Candy
Glasgow	Catriona Cannon
Kings	Niccolo Ridi
Kings	Stephen Minas
LSE	Jacob Bronsther
LSE	Bernard Keenan
Oxford	Camilla Barker
Oxford	Menelaos Markakis
Queen Mary	Angeliki Papantoniou
Reading	Ana Canaille Morozovich
Sussex	Mary Frances Lukera
Sussex	Rita Griguoalite
Sussex	Ioannis Valiakos
UCL	Luis Viveros Montoya

One award has been suspended while the student was on academic leave, while another remained suspended while the student was on maternity leave. Both were carried forward.

**Translations:** No expenditure on translations was incurred in 2016.

**Wedderburn Prize:** The Wedderburn Prize 2017 for the best article published in volume 79 of the Review will be announced at the 2017 Chorley Lecture and Dinner.

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**Financial Review**

**Contract with Blackwell Publishing Ltd:** The year 2016 was the sixth full year in which the Modern Law Review was published in accordance with the terms of a revised profit sharing agreement made with Wiley Blackwell Publishing in 2010. This contract also included the provision that the accounts for the bound volume should be integrated into the main journal accounts. Under the agreement, the amount received by MLR for the journal and bound volume for the year ending 31 December 2016 was £158,127. Under the contract a separate payment of £9,617 was made by Wiley Blackwell as a contribution to editorial costs.

**Production Assistance and Articles Administration:** The amount spent on production assistance and articles administration in the year ended 31st December 2016 was £24,722 compared with £22,451 in the year ended 31st December 2015. The now well established system for processing submissions to the articles section of the Review continues to work well. Payments are also made to outside contractors for copy editing, proof reading and preparation of the annual index to the Review. This expenditure ensures that the company fulfils its obligations in relation to the production of the Review.

**Administrative Assistance:** Payment for this service, which is essential for the efficient running of the company, is made in accordance with the terms of an agreement between the company and the Law Department of the London School of Economics which was revised in 2005. The cost of this assistance was £10,152 in 2016.

**Reserves:** The present level of funding is adequate to support the continuation of the company and the Directors consider the position of the company to be satisfactory.

**Taxation Status:** The company is a Registered Charity (Charity No. 264072) and as such is exempt from all Income and Corporation Tax liability.

**Auditors:** A resolution to reappoint Calder & Co. as auditors will be proposed as the Annual General Meeting of the company.

**Public benefit statement under the Charities Act 2006**

The Modern Law Review Ltd's charitable purpose is to advance education. In particular, the objects of the Modern Law Review Ltd are to promote legal education and the study of law and all other arts and sciences, in particular those which are of interest to those studying law, by such means as may be deemed desirable including the publication issue and circulation of a journal, the organisation of lectures and discussions, and the donation or founding of any scholarships, prizes or other rewards or distinctions.

The Review satisfied these aims for the public benefit in the following ways in 2016:

- By distributing £74,500 in scholarship awards for PhD students registered at UK universities
- By distributing £18,498 in funding for seminars and other scholarly workshops and discussions to applicants from UK universities
- By awarding a prize of £750 for the best article published in the Review . the opportunity to submit an article to the Review is not limited by geographic location
- By offering free or very low cost access to the Review to 5,416 libraries in developing countries through the Research4Life initiatives and the PERi programme from the International Network for the Availability of Scientific Publications.

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**Plans for the Future**

The Directors have agreed to maintain the amount committed to the support of scholarships as £90,000 in 2017.

The amount of the Wedderburn Prize for 2017 will be £750.

The Directors are giving active consideration to other activities which fall within the scope of its principal objects of promoting legal education and the study of law and related disciplines.

**BY ORDER OF THE BOARD**

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**Andrew Murray**  
**Secretary and Trustee**  
**14 June 2017**

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE MODERN LAW REVIEW LIMITED**

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We have audited the financial statements of The Modern Law Review Limited for the year ended 31 December 2016 set out on pages 9 to 18. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an Auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and its members, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinion we have formed.

**RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND AUDITORS**

As explained more fully in the Trustees' responsibilities statement, the Trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view.

Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

**SCOPE OF THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the charitable company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the Trustees; and the overall presentation of the financial statements. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Trustees' report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

**OPINION ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 December 2016 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

**OPINION ON OTHER MATTER PRESCRIBED BY THE COMPANIES ACT 2006**

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit, the information given in the Trustees' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with those financial statements and such reports have been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

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**MATTERS ON WHICH WE ARE REQUIRED TO REPORT BY EXCEPTION**

In the light of our knowledge and understanding of the charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Trustee's Report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the Trustees were not entitled to take advantage of the small companies' exemption from the requirement to prepare a Strategic report.

Philip Ewen (Senior statutory auditor)  
for and on behalf of  
**Calders (1883) LLP**  
Statutory Auditor and Chartered Accountants  
16 Charles II Street  
London  
SW1Y 4NW  
14 June 2017

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCORPORATING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016**

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2016 £	Total funds 2016 £	<i>Unrestricted Funds 2015 £</i>
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:</b>				
Charitable activities	2	178,870	178,870	173,860
Investments	3	17,091	17,091	9,848
<b>TOTAL INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</b>		<b>195,961</b>	<b>195,961</b>	<b>183,708</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON:</b>				
<b>Charitable activities:</b>				
Charitable activities costs		138,628	138,628	168,327
Governance	5	5,676	5,676	4,766
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>		<b>144,304</b>	<b>144,304</b>	<b>173,093</b>
<b>NET INCOME BEFORE INVESTMENT GAINS</b>				
Net gains on investments	8	51,657	51,657	10,615
		80,439	80,439	14,664
<b>NET INCOME BEFORE OTHER RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES</b>		<b>132,096</b>	<b>132,096</b>	<b>25,279</b>
<b>NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</b>		<b>132,096</b>	<b>132,096</b>	<b>25,279</b>
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:</b>				
Total funds brought forward		899,975	899,975	874,696
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<b>1,032,071</b>	<b>1,032,071</b>	<b>899,975</b>

All activities relate to continuing operations.

The notes on pages 12 to 18 form part of these financial statements.

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses in the year.  
All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

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**BALANCE SHEET**  
**AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2016**

	Note	£	2016 £	£	2015 £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
Tangible assets	7		400		400
Investments	8		864,211		766,682
			864,611		767,082
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Debtors	9	126,562		128,776	
Cash at bank and in hand		118,214		81,171	
		244,776		209,947	
<b>CREDITORS:</b> amounts falling due within one year	10	(77,316)		(77,054)	
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>			167,460		132,893
<b>NET ASSETS</b>			1,032,071		899,975
<b>CHARITY FUNDS</b>					
Unrestricted funds	11		1,032,071		899,975
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>			1,032,071		899,975

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 14 June 2017 and signed on their behalf, by:

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**Andrew Murray**  
**Trustee**

The notes on pages 12 to 18 form part of these financial statements.

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**CASH FLOW STATEMENT**  
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	Note	2016 £	2015 £
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
Net cash provided by operating activities	12	<u>37,042</u>	<u>20,035</u>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities:</b>			
Income from investments		17,091	9,848
Purchase of investments		<u>(17,090)</u>	<u>(9,886)</u>
<b>Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities</b>		<u>1</u>	<u>(38)</u>
<b>Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year</b>		<b>37,043</b>	<b>19,997</b>
Cash and cash equivalents brought forward		<u>81,171</u>	<u>61,174</u>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents carried forward</b>	13	<u><u>118,214</u></u>	<u><u>81,171</u></u>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
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**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements**

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 (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006

The Modern Law Review Limited meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

**1.2 Reconciliation with previous Generally Accepted Accounting Practice**

In preparing these accounts, the Trustees have considered whether in applying the accounting policies required by FRS 102 and the Charities SORP FRS 102 the restatement of comparative items was required.

No restatements were required.

**1.3 Company status**

The charitable company is a company limited by guarantee. The members of the company are the Trustees named on page . In the event of the charitable company being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the charitable company.

**1.4 Fund accounting**

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charitable company and which have not been designated for other purposes.

**1.5 Income**

All income is recognised once the charitable company has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably. Income from charitable activities includes income arising from a profit sharing agreement with publishers in respect of the publication of The Modern Law Review. The company's share of profits from sales of the Journal (60%) and from sales of back issues of the Bound Volumes (60%) is recognised as income.

Investment income is recognised as received.

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**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

**1.6 Expenditure**

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the assets use.

Governance costs are those incurred in connection with administration of the charitable company and compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements.

Charitable activities and Governance costs are costs incurred on the charitable company's educational operations, including support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charitable company apportioned to charitable activities.

Seminar costs awards are recognised once a commitment has been entered into to support a Seminar. Scholarships are recognised as and when the commitment made results in the payment falling due.

Charitable activities costs include expenditure associated with the publication of The Modern Law Review, the cost of the annual Chorley lecture, Seminar costs, Scholarships and support costs relating to these activities. The company's share of Publishing costs in respect of the Journal (60%) and back issues of the Bound volumes (60%) are recognised as costs.

Governance costs include those incurred in the governance of the Charity and its assets and are primarily associated with constitutional and statutory requirements.

**1.7 Investments**

Fixed asset investments are a form of financial instrument and are initially recognised at their transaction cost and subsequently measured at fair value at the Balance sheet date, unless fair value cannot be measured reliably in which case it is measured at cost less impairment. Investment gains and losses, whether realised or unrealised, are combined and shown in the heading **Gains/(losses)** on investments in the Statement of financial activities incorporating income and expenditure account.

**1.8 Interest receivable**

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charitable company; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the Bank.

**1.9 Debtors**

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

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**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

**1.10 Cash at Bank and in hand**

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

**1.11 Liabilities and provisions**

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably. Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the charitable company anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide. Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation. Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised within interest payable and similar charges.

**2. INCOMING RESOURCES FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES**

	<b>Unrestricted funds 2016 £</b>	<i>Unrestricted Funds 2015 £</i>
Journal income from profit sharing arrangement	<b>174,284</b>	173,860
Other royalties	<b>4,586</b>	-
	<hr/> <b>178,870</b> <hr/>	<hr/> 173,860 <hr/>

**3. INVESTMENT INCOME**

	<b>Unrestricted funds 2016 £</b>	<i>Unrestricted Funds 2015 £</i>
Income from listed investments	<b>17,090</b>	9,847
Interest receivable	<b>1</b>	1
	<hr/> <b>17,091</b> <hr/>	<hr/> 9,848 <hr/>

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**4. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS**

	<b>Total 2016</b> £	<i>Total</i> 2015 £
Scholarships granted	74,500	95,834
Wedderburn prize	750	750
Secretarial services	10,152	9,712
Administration costs	9,549	9,516
Annual dinner & Chorley lecture	7,211	5,582
Bank charges	23	9
General expenses	3	1,511
Seminar costs awards	18,498	26,898
Production assistance	15,173	14,466
Contribution towards editorial costs	(9,617)	(10,811)
Journal publishing costs share	16,158	15,146
Seminar costs awards prior year over required	(4,338)	(286)
Prior year scholarships cancelled	(5,000)	-
Website design and development	5,566	-
	<b>138,628</b>	<b>168,327</b>
	<b>138,628</b>	<b>168,327</b>

**5. GOVERNANCE COSTS**

	<b>Unrestricted funds 2016</b> £	<i>Unrestricted Funds 2015</i> £
Auditors' remuneration	4,048	3,900
Committee members expenses	1,628	866
	<b>5,676</b>	<b>4,766</b>
	<b>5,676</b>	<b>4,766</b>

**6. NET INCOMING RESOURCES/(RESOURCES EXPENDED)**

This is stated after charging:

	<b>2016</b> £	<b>2015</b> £
Auditors' remuneration	4,048	3,900
	<b>4,048</b>	<b>3,900</b>

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration (2015 - £NIL).

During the year, no Trustees received any benefits in kind (2015 - £NIL).

6 Trustees received reimbursement of expenses amounting to £1,628 in the current year, (2015 - 2 Trustees - £866).

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**7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

	<b>Office Equipment £</b>
<b>Cost</b>	
At 1 January 2016 and 31 December 2016	<u>400</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>	
At 1 January 2016 and 31 December 2016	<u>-</u>
<b>Net book value</b>	
At 31 December 2016	<u>400</u>
<i>At 31 December 2015</i>	<u>400</u>

No provision for depreciation has been made. It is the opinion of the Trustees that the current value of the asset exceeds the carrying value as above.

**8. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS**

	<b>Listed securities £</b>
<b>Market value</b>	
At 1 January 2016	766,682
Additions	17,090
Revaluations	80,439
At 31 December 2016	<u>864,211</u>

**Investments at market value comprise:**

	<b>2016 £</b>	<b>2015 £</b>
Various unit trusts, investments and OEIC's	<u>864,211</u>	<u>766,682</u>

All the fixed asset investments are held in the UK

**9. DEBTORS**

	<b>2016 £</b>	<b>2015 £</b>
Trade debtors	<u>126,562</u>	<u>128,776</u>

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**10. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year**

	2016 £	2015 £
Other creditors	<u>77,316</u>	<u>77,054</u>

**11. STATEMENT OF FUNDS**

	Brought Forward £	Income £	Expenditur e £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Carried Forward £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>					
General Funds	<u>899,975</u>	<u>195,961</u>	<u>(144,304)</u>	<u>80,439</u>	<u>1,032,071</u>

**12. RECONCILIATION OF NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS TO NET CASH FLOW  
FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES**

	2016 £	2015 £
Net income for the year (as per Statement of financial activities)	<b>132,096</b>	25,279
<b>Adjustment for:</b>		
Gains on investments	<b>(80,439)</b>	(14,664)
Income from investments	<b>(17,091)</b>	(9,848)
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	<b>2,214</b>	(12,743)
Increase in creditors	<b>262</b>	32,011
<b>Net cash provided by operating activities</b>	<u><b>37,042</b></u>	<u>20,035</u>

**13. ANALYSIS OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS**

	2016 £	2015 £
Cash in hand	<u>118,214</u>	<u>81,171</u>
Total	<u><u>118,214</u></u>	<u><u>81,171</u></u>

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**14. FIRST TIME ADOPTION OF FRS 102**

It is the first year that the charitable company has presented its financial statements under SORP 2015 and FRS 102. The following disclosures are required in the year of transition. The last financial statements prepared under previous UK GAAP were for the year ended 31 December 2015 and the date of transition to FRS 102 and SORP 2015 was therefore 1 January 2015. As a consequence of adopting FRS 102 and SORP 2015, a number of accounting policies have changed to comply with those standards.

The policies applied under the charitable company's previous accounting framework are not materially different to FRS 102 and have not impacted on funds or net income/expenditure.