THE KEW GUILD STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

	UNRE	STRICTED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	ENDOWMEN FUNDS	NT TOTAL 2016	TOTAL 2015			
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:	Note	£	£	£	£	£			
Incoming resources from generated funds									
Donations and legacies	2	1,461			1,461	1,263			
Income from Investments									
Investment income and deposit interest	3	14,322	7,291		21,613	21,342			
Income from charitable activities									
Advancement of horticultural and botanical knowledge									
Events and other membership activities:									
Membership subscriptions		9,993			9,993	6,809			
Annual Dinner		3.875	-		3,875	3.558			
AGM Soiree		-	-		-	-			
Other events and income		809	-		809	-			
Encouragement of horticultural and botanical education									
Awards and prizes:									
Donations and legacies	4	-	-		-	-			
Total income and endowments	-	30,460	7,291	-	37,751	32,972			
EXPENDITURE ON:	-	<i>(</i>	,		,	, i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i			
Expenditure on Charitable activities									
Advancement of horticultural and botanical knowledge									
Events and membership activities:	0								
Website project		2,501	-		2,501	1,512			
Journal of The Kew Guild		7,566	-		7,566	6.963			
Annual Dinner		4,012	-		4,012	3,966			
AGM Soiree		-	-		-	88			
Seminar & Filming		-	-		-	625			
Newsletter		16	-		16	62			
Presidents' name bars			_		-	-			
Presidents' medals		50	_		50	771			
Other events and membership activities		562	_		562	-			
Encouragement of horticultural and botanical edu	ication	502			502				
Award making: Awards	5	-	4,616		4,616	7,479			
Prizes	5	605	25		630	630			
Student fellowship	5	150	-		150	140			
Kew Guild Medal		359	_		359	727			
Other Expenditure		559	-		559	121			
Membership database		(394)	_		(394)	4,340			
Administrative costs		3,097	-		3,097	2,643			
Other expenditure		309	-		3,097	1,665			
•		18,833	4,641	_	23,474	31,611			
Total expenditure	6 _	18,833	4,041	-	23,474	31,011			
Net gains/(losses) on investments: Unrealised movements on investment assets	8	36,559	7,467	11,469	55,495	6,662			
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Net income/(expenditure)		48,186	10,117	11,469	69,772	8,023			
Net movement in funds for the year Reconciliation of funds	-	48,186	10,117	11,469	69,772	8,023			
Total funds brought forward as restated	12	434,926	79,536	112,635	627,097	619,074			

Total funds carried forward 12 483,112 89,653 124,104 696,869 62
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THE KEW GUILD BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2016

		201	6	2015	
	Note	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Investments	8		600,494		544,998
Current assets					
Stock of Kew Guild medals		1,077		1,436	
Debtors	9	4,894		3,904	
Cash at bank and in hand	10	95,834		84,079	
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Total current assets		101,805		89,419	
Liabilities					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11	(5,430)		(7,320)	
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Net current assets or liabilities			96,375		82,099
Total net assets or liabilities		-	696,869	· ·	627,097
The Funds of the Charity:					
Endowment funds	12		124,104		112,635
Restricted funds	12		89,653		79,536
Unrestricted general fund	12	100,642		81,208	
Unrestricted designated funds	12	382,470		353,718	
Total unrestricted funds	_		483,112		434,926
Total Charity funds		-	696,869		627,097
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The financial statements will be approved by The Committee on 28 March 2017 following the completion of the independent examination. These summarised accounts may not contain sufficient information to allow for a full understanding of the Guild's financial affairs. For further information the full Annual Report and Financial Statements, including the Independent Examiner's Report, should be consulted. Copies of these can be obtained from Linda Baharier, 1 Castlehill Cottages, Outwood Lane, Bletchingley, Surrey, RH1 4LR.

I report on the accounts for the Kew Guild for the year ended 31 December 2016 which are set out on pages 7 to 14.

Respective responsibilities of the 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 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts (under section 145 of the Charities Act);
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 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 the 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 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; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities 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.

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Date: 20 April 2017

The Kew Guild Annual Report of the Committee For the Year Ended 31 December 2016

Plans for the future

The charity will continue to encourage staff and ex-staff and students of RBG Kew to become members of the Guild. The Award Scheme is a very worthwhile part of the Guild's activities and is in a good position to continue to make Awards of on average over £8,000 each year. The Guild is looking forward to making awards from the Stella Ross-Craig legacy. The Guild will continue to provide a programme of regional events, the new membership and the website will provide the basis for improved and effective communication.

By the AGM in 2017 it is hoped that the newly constituted Kew Guild Charity as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (as was agreed at the AGM in 2015) will be presented to the membership, but this is proving to be more complicated than first envisaged and we are having to take professional advice.

Statement of The Committee's responsibilities

Charity law requires The Committee to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity as at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources for the financial year. In preparing those financial statements, The Committee should follow best practice and are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently,
- make judgements and 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 charity will continue on that basis.

The Committee is responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable it to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. The Committee is also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Independent Examiner

A resolution to appoint the Independent Examiner was approved at the Annual General Meeting.

By order of The Committee

Alan Stuttard

28th March 2017

Report of the Voluntary Treasurer, Linda Baharier

The accounts for the year ended 31.12.2016

The restricted funds increased by £10,117 and the unrestricted funds increased by £48,189. While interest rates have remained low the value of our investments increased due to an upward trend at the end of the year but this has already been both up and down since due to the volatility of the world market.

Income in 2016 totalled £37,7751 of which £9,993 was from subscriptions, £21,613 from our investments and £1,461 from donations and £ 4,684 from other. We are very grateful to the Philip & Granville Trust for their kind donation of £1,220.

Awards and prizes of £5,246 were made. £7,566 was spent on producing of the Journal, which was of an excellent standard. The Website has now been moved from Som-Com which in the long term will not only bring the cost down but gives us more control of our own site, including setting up the new site the cost this year was £ 1,797 which include one payment to Som-com of £ 398. The membership data base is more or less and running now with only a charge of £ 688 against it but this will need some work when we go over to Direct Debits.

Governance costs which are now called Other Expenditure and Administrative Costs were £3,012 this year, of which £2,839 was for secretarial costs.

There were unrealised gains on the Guild's investments of £55,496, but this was due to an unexpected jump in the market at year end.

The endowment funds are invested in the Charities Official Investment Fund Units.

£124,104 in the endowment funds, £89,653 in restricted funds, £382,470 in designated funds and £100,642 in the unrestricted general fund have been carried forward to 2017. I would ask you to approve these accounts. I would also ask that you approve the appointing of an Independent Examiner or Auditor for the annual accounts of 2017.

Linda Baharier FMAT

Voluntary Treasurer