# The Friends of the RWA

Trustees Report and Accounts Year ended 31 December 2018

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

#### THE FRIENDS OF THE RWA Registered Charity No. 1107149 Royal West of England Academy, Queen's Road, Bristol, BS8 1PX

#### TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT 2018

The Friends exist to support the work of the RWA and do so by providing finance, by arranging an annual series of lectures and cultural visits. While their origins can be traced to the Subscribing Members at the foundation of the RWA in 1844, they became an independent, unincorporated charitable association governed by a constitution adopted in February 1999, and modified on 1<sup>st</sup> November 2004 prior to registration as a charity.

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

The Trustees acting during 2018 were:

Ms Jane Boot	Ms Jane Goulden (resigned June 2018)	Ms Phillipa Shelton (appointed June 2018)
Ms Susanne Ewart	Mr Jeff Martin (resigned June 2018)	Mr Andrew Nixon (co-opted July 2018)
Ms Ann Farthing	Ms Barbara Henderson (appointed June 2018)	Mr Ian Harris (resigned Dec 2018)
Ms Ann Baber (resigned June 2018)	Ms Anne Jewell (appointed June 2018)	

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

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

The Accounts show incoming resources amounting to £30,297 and outgoing resources of £29,489. The Friends' funds have thus been increased by £808. Funds were raised through membership subscriptions and the provision of cultural and educational activities, whilst our main expenditure consisted of donations to the RWA in support of its charitable activities for the public benefit, totalling £23,000.

During 2018 the Friends' activities included a programme of lectures and cultural visits. Members have offered their services to carry out various tasks, and volunteers have continued to give valuable support to and at RWA events.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees Mrs Jane Boot, Chair

## FRIENDS OF THE ROYAL WEST OF ENGLAND ACADEMY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2018

# **RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT**

	Unrestricted Funds 2018	Unrestricted Funds 2017
RECEIPTS	£	£
Subscriptions & Donations Gift Aid return	24,880 1,298	23,376 1,061
Contributions by Cultural Visits & Lectures	4,119	1,550
TOTAL RECEIPTS	30,297	25,987
PAYMENTS		
Administrative Support Insurance including BAFM Membership Printing & postage, etc.	4,220 382 1,887	3,627 376 1,486
Running Cost of FRWA	6,489	5,489
Net Running Surplus	23,808	20,498
Donations to RWA	23,000	24,700
TOTAL PAYMENTS	29,489	30189
NET RECEIPTS (PAYMENTS)	808	(4,202)
Total Funds at start of year	<u>4,184</u>	<u>8,386</u>
Total Funds at end of year	4992	4,184

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### **BALANCE SHEET AT 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2018**

	Unrestricted Funds 2018	Unrestricted Funds 2017
FIXED ASSETS	£	£
CURRENT ASSETS AND LIABILITIES Debtors Cash at bank Unpresented Cheques	5,106 ( 114)	28 4,771 ( 615)
TOTAL NET ASSETS	<u>4,992</u>	<u>4,184</u>
FUNDS BALANCE	4,992	<u>4,184</u>

These accounts are prepared on a receipts and payments basis for presentation and approval at the AGM to be held on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2019. The 2017 accounts were prepared on an accruals basis.

Misi Jane Boot Chair

Ms Deborah Mann Treasurer

# Independent Examiner's report to the Trustees of The Friends of the RWA

# Independent examiner's report to the Trustees of the Friends of the RWA

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018 set out on pages 2 and 3.

## **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 Charities

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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