

**SWISS BENEVOLENT SOCIETY
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018**

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018**

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2018. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and Aims

The Society's objectives are to provide assistance to Swiss citizens in need of help who are temporarily or permanently resident in the United Kingdom.

Financial assistance is given by way of grants. In addition the Society employs a Welfare Officer who provides support to anyone irrespective of financial means.

PUBLIC BENEFIT STATEMENT

The "Objectives and Activities", the "Chairman's Report - Review of Development Activities" and the "Welfare Officer's Report" sections of this Annual Report set out the activities which the Society undertakes for public benefit.

The Trustees confirm that they've complied with the duty in sections 4 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission in determining the activities undertaken by the charity.

In the interest of transparency, the Trustees make the following observations on the two key principles of public benefit;

Principle 1: There must be identifiable benefit or benefits

1a) it must be clear what the benefits are;

The benefits are set out in the "Chairman's Report", the "Welfare Officer's Report" and elsewhere in this Annual Report.

1b) the benefits must be related to the aims;

The benefits set out in the "Chairman's Report", the "Welfare Officer's Report" and elsewhere in this Annual Report are clearly related to the aims of the Society as set out in the "Objectives and Activities" in this Annual Report. The Trustees review the activities of the charity against its aims on an ongoing basis and are satisfied that all activities continue to be related to the aims.

1c) benefits must be balanced against any detriment or harm;

No specific issues of detriment or harm have been identified.

Principle 2: Benefit must be to the public or a section of the public.

2a) the beneficiaries must be appropriate to the aims;

In accordance with the objectives of the charity as set out in "Objectives and Activities" of the Annual Report, the beneficiaries of the the charity in need of aid are Swiss nationals living in the UK.

2b) where the benefit is to a section of the Public, the opportunity to benefit must not be unreasonably restricted by geographical or other restrictions; or by the ability to pay any fees charged. Benefit is provided to members of the Swiss community in the UK, who are in need of support. The Swiss community in the UK currently totals approximately 34,000 and is considered sufficiently large. No fee is charged for any benefit granted by the charity.

2c) people in financial need are invited to apply for financial aid. Non-financial benefit is offered to all members of the Swiss community irrespective of their financial situation.

2d) any private benefits must be incidental;

A private benefit arises necessarily from the activity of the charity; the charity finds it essential to employ and remunerate one member of staff for two days per week.

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**ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE
CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Review of Overall Development of Activities

The Swiss Benevolent Society supports Swiss citizens living in the UK with difficult personal issues, such as financial difficulties, bereavement, mental health, loneliness or poor physical health. The public authorities try to assist whenever possible, but there are always situations where additional help is required be it moral, administrative or financial support. It is in these situations where the Swiss Benevolent Society can step in to provide the appropriate support for our Swiss compatriots residing in the UK. As such in 2018, we received 20 new application requests for various forms of welfare assistance, of which 7 requests were for financial assistance and 13 for general support. Annual financial grant aid in 2018 was allocated to a total of 17 recipients new and established. 80 existing clients from the years prior, remained active in receiving welfare support.

In June, the Swiss Benevolent Society staged its annual celebratory birthday tea party for senior Swiss citizens in the UK reaching their 80th, 85th, 90th, etc. birthday hosted at the Swiss Embassy. 79 Guests attended and participated in various forms of Swiss entertainment and customs and was deemed a great success in building moral and community, valued by all present. Additionally, the Swiss Ambassador attended and held an interactive discussion regarding many informative topics for our Swiss guests ranging from his daily professional activities to Brexit - Settlement Scheme progress and actions for Swiss Citizens

The Trustees work rigorously to find ways of securing and enhancing the Society's income and to improve its efficiency without negatively impacting the quality of its services. Fortunately, the Society is able to count on continued support from donors and also a generous grant from the Swiss Federal authorities, for which we are most grateful. The Trustees wish to thank all individuals and institutions for their continued valuable support.

The Society's income is derived from its return on investments, an annual Swiss government subsidy, donations, and legacies. The investment portfolio of the Charity was well positioned and generated good performance on both equity and fixed income holdings. A significant cash cushion helped us to avoid unnecessary risk to protect the portfolio from the market downturn. Our investments reflect our goal to support our mission in generating income in order to support those who need our help the most.

The Charity investment portfolio year over year generated a negative return, in the context of a broad, generalized correction with the Society's reference equity market, the FTSE 100, down 12.5% in 2018. The Society's investment portfolio, year on year the execution-only mandate (c. 69.8% of the portfolio at FY18 end) was down 5.11%, whilst the UBS-managed mandate (30.2% of the portfolio at FY18 end declined by 5.25% (the Society invested in May 2018)). 2018 marked what was overall a challenging year for investors, especially on the equity markets, with the MSCI ACWI Index falling by almost 10%. In the UK, uncertainty surrounding Brexit continued to cloud the outlook for businesses and compounded such macro backdrop, leaving the UK FTSE 100 underperforming its global peers. Fixed income markets also experienced more twists and turns than normal, affected by a decisive tightening move by the Federal Reserve, raising rates four times in a year. An unexpected escalation of trade tensions between the US and China, political uncertainty and decelerating growth in Europe as well as higher interest rates in the US unnerved investors, leading to increased volatility throughout the year and triggering a broad market correction during Q4.

Board of Trustees

The Trustees wish to express their sincere thanks to our Patron, the Swiss Ambassador, H.E. Mr. Alexandre Fasel and his staff for their continued valuable support and generous hospitality on a number of occasions throughout the year. In 2018 the board of Trustees was joined by Emanuele Rigamonti as Deputy Treasurer and Head of the Investment Committee. There were no trustee resignations. The Chairman wishes to express her gratitude to the incumbent trustees for their enthusiasm, time and dedication in actively supporting the Swiss Benevolent Society.

Staffing

In 2018 the Society employed one person only, who acted as Welfare Officer, Company Secretary and Society Administrator and is employed on the basis of two days per week. Her responsibilities as Welfare Officer included the provision to Swiss compatriots of moral support (home visits or by telephone) assistance in dealing with authorities and other organisations and arranging financial assistance from the Society's funds. As Company Secretary her responsibilities are defined by law. As the Society Administrator she was responsible for the smooth running of the Society on a day-to-day basis.

The Trustees wish to thank Petra Kehr Cocks for her dedication and valuable contribution to the Society during the year under review. She performs her responsibilities to the full satisfaction of both the Swiss Benevolent Society's clients and the Trustees.

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ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Welfare Officer's report

Clients

Sadly, four of our clients died in 2018 and three of them were over 95 years old. All had an amazing life with many very interesting stories to tell. It was always a pleasure to learn about their lives and I genuinely felt it was a privilege to have known them.

Another client who had a more challenging life and was frequently faced with many difficulties, died after a lengthy stay in the hospital. During my regular visits over the years, either in hospital or in care homes, I always found it inspiring to see how much strength and willpower the person maintained throughout their life. During the last few years I was more involved with this person's situation as their condition deteriorated, in addition to liaising with the one relative they had. I will greatly miss them all.

Tea Party

Another wonderful Tea Party at the Swiss Embassy; this year the Swiss Ambassador held a conversation with guests which included up to date news on Brexit. The discussion was most useful and informative on the settled status which will affect all Swiss Nationals living in the UK. Later we had some entertainment with a Swiss Performer whilst eating some delicious cakes, sandwiches and scones. This was a most enjoyable afternoon. The photographs can be found again on the Swiss Benevolent Society's website.

Trustees

It is with great sadness to communicate that Ursula Talary died in October 2018. Mrs. Talary was a trustee of the Swiss Benevolent Society for over two decades until 2015. She was always very supportive of the Welfare Officer work and on numerous occasions she accompanied me on client visits in their home or in residential care. She always had time to speak and regularly was asking about the work of the Society or enquired about the clients she knew. She will be greatly missed.

Application for assistance

In 2018 we received 20 applications for help. They were either enquiries for financial assistance or queries relating to general assistance or to advice. 7 of these new applications came directly from our Website.

They consisted of:

- 13 applications for general assistance where we were able to help
- 7 applications for financial help
 - o 4 were supported by SBS
 - o 3 were declined by SBS

Finally, the total of financial recipients of SBS grant aid concession stands currently at 17.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial Results

In 2018 the income of the Swiss Benevolent Society dropped significantly. This was driven mainly by a decrease in the portfolio income, lack of legacies during the year and a reduced subsidy from the Swiss Confederation.

The result were net expenditures for the year before gains and losses on investment assets of £13,273 (in 2017 the net income was: £1,779) and after realising some value fluctuations of our investment portfolio, we had a financial loss of £15,908 (2017: £1,767 loss).

Expenses

Total resources expended in 2018 were £51,832 slightly less than the previous year (£53,077).

The Society has benefited from the volunteer work of the members in order to keep the expenses as low as possible. As well, there was an increased effort to optimise the current costs and to negotiate better deals with the contractors. In 2018 we offered our support to approximately the same number of people in need and we continued to organise events in order to increase awareness and future donations. We trust that the resources expensed on these activities will pay off in the long run.

Income

Our Total Income for the year was £38,559, approximately 29.7% less than the previous year (£54,856). With regard to our investment portfolio, there has been a decrease in the realised income of 12% compared to 2017 (2018: £23,943, 2017: £27,069). The trend characterized by lower income generated by our investment portfolio due to the low yield market environment continued in 2018. Additionally, the investment portfolio registered a decrease in market value of about £74,838 following the market volatility registered at the end of the year.

There was an increase in voluntary income of £2,532 in 2018, mainly due to £8,712 in donations received in 2018 versus £6,969 of donations received in 2017.

In 2018 we didn't receive any legacy. Considering that in 2017 we received £12,000, this had a significant impact on the decrease of our year over year total income.

In 2018 the subsidy from the Swiss Confederation was £3,900 (£3,703 less compared to the previous year).

Investments

Portfolio Commentary

Throughout FY18 the portfolio was well diversified across all asset classes, ending the year with the following asset allocation: 33.7% fixed income, 30.2% UBS mandate (UK Balanced), 25.7% equities and 10.4% cash. The decision to maintain a relatively high cash buffer was due primarily to the lack of suitable opportunities in the fixed income market in a scenario of rising rates and increased volatility throughout the year, which peaked in Q4 2018, triggering a sizable market correction. Such cash allocation partially offset the portfolio impact of a very challenging year for investors. The execution-only mandate was down 5.11%, whilst the UBS mandate declined by 5.25% (6mo annualized).

Market Commentary

2018 marked what was overall a challenging year for investors, with the MSCI ACWI falling by almost 10%. Markets began the year on a strong note, benefitting from the fallout of tax reforms in the US and robust company earnings. However, an unexpected escalation of trade tensions between the US and China, political uncertainty in Europe and higher interest rates in the US unnerved investors and led to one of the most volatile years on record. Fixed income markets were somewhat more mixed. Emerging market debt underperformed amid rising borrowing costs and a stronger US Dollar. In contrast, government bonds eked out positive returns, benefiting from safe haven flows towards the end of 2018 and more dovish comments from the US Federal Reserve Chair in the final days of the year, which we expect to be supportive for financial markets in 2019.

Designated Funds

In order to guarantee a sustainable development and to be able to maintain our task to grant pensions for many years to come, the Trustees have decided to keep the designated funds at the amount of £900,000, which should be kept as a reserve for future charitable purposes.

Reserves Policy

The Executive Committee regularly reviews the Society's reserves policy. The level of reserves held is influenced by the annual budget, outstanding pensions and other grant commitments, economic factors and investment returns. In 2004 the Executive Committee of the Swiss Benevolent Society decided to classify £900,000 as designated funds. These funds are held as a reserve in order to guarantee a sustainable continuation of the charity's work. These designated funds should be sufficient to meet future commitments on grants and pensions and ensure a sound financial basis for the long-term future.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The Swiss Benevolent Society was founded as a Trust charity governed by its own statutes on 1 January 1870. It was registered on 22 September 1962 (charity registration number: 212144).

The Society is registered as a charitable company limited by guarantee and was set up by a Memorandum of Association. The incorporated company (company number: 05475876 and charity number: 1111348), with the same name as the Trust, was set up on 8 June 2005.

Organisational structure

It is managed by the executive committee, who are also Trustees for the purposes of the Charities Act. It is responsible for the general administration of the Society and controls its charitable activities.

They meet at least four times a year to formulate the policies for the Society, and to approve budgets, annual accounts and reports.

The Society is governed by its Members. Membership of the Society is open to any person of Swiss nationality or any person/ organisation with strong Swiss connections or interest in the society's work. The Members also elect Trustees at the AGM. The Articles of Association provide for the Pastor of the Swiss Church as well as two representatives of the Swiss Embassy to be elected Trustees. The Trustee board must consist of at least 3 and not more than 12 individuals all of whom must be aged under 75 years at the date of appointment.

Appointment of new trustees

New Trustees are appointed by the Society's Members, usually at the Society's AGM. New Trustees are made familiar with the operation of the Society by an induction by one or more of the existing Trustees and by the Welfare Officer.

Related party relationship

The Society's investment administrators are UBS AG.

Risk management

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the Society is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the Society, and are satisfied that the systems are in place to mitigate its exposure to the major risks.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

05475876 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

1111348

Registered office

79 Endell Street
London
WC2H 9DY

Trustees

| | |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------|
| Mrs E Baxter | Vice Chairman |
| Mrs J Crosier | |
| Mr M Peter | |
| Mrs S Egloff | Chairman |
| Mr T Gianinazzi | Treasurer |
| Mr E Rigamonti | Deputy Treasurer - appointed 3.7.2018 |

Company Secretary

Mrs P Kehr-Cocks

Independent examiner

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TRUSTEES' LIABILITY

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Each of the Trustees of the Society guarantees to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 to the assets of the Charity in the event of winding up.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on and signed on its behalf by:

.....
Mrs S Egloff - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
SWISS BENEVOLENT SOCIETY (REGISTERED NUMBER: 05475876)**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Swiss Benevolent Society ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2018.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees 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 charity'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

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:

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

Mr Jeremy Hyde FCCA FCA
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Chartered Certified Accountants
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Date:

SWISS BENEVOLENT SOCIETY
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

| | Notes | 2018 Unrestricted funds £ | 2017 Total funds £ |
|---|-------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM | | | |
| Donations and legacies | | 14,616 | 27,787 |
| Investment income | 2 | <u>23,943</u> | <u>27,069</u> |
| Total | | 38,559 | 54,856 |
| EXPENDITURE ON | | | |
| Raising funds | 3 | 3,556 | 3,572 |
| Charitable activities | | | |
| Advice and relief | | 45,246 | 46,210 |
| Governance costs | | <u>3,030</u> | <u>3,295</u> |
| Total | | 51,832 | 53,077 |
| Net gains/(losses) on investments | | <u>(2,635)</u> | <u>(3,546)</u> |
| NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) | | (15,908) | (1,767) |
| Other recognised gains/(losses) | | | |
| Gains/(losses) on revaluation of fixed assets | | <u>(74,838)</u> | <u>30,460</u> |
| Net movement in funds | | (90,746) | 28,693 |
| RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS | | | |
| Total funds brought forward | | <u>1,157,927</u> | <u>1,129,234</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD | | <u><u>1,067,181</u></u> | <u><u>1,157,927</u></u> |

The notes form part of these financial statements

SWISS BENEVOLENT SOCIETY (REGISTERED NUMBER: 05475876)

**BALANCE SHEET
AT 31 DECEMBER 2018**

| | Notes | 2018 Unrestricted funds £ | 2017 Total funds £ |
|--|-------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| FIXED ASSETS | | | |
| Tangible assets | 7 | 1,704 | - |
| Investments | 8 | <u>945,738</u> | <u>809,370</u> |
| | | 947,442 | 809,370 |
| CURRENT ASSETS | | | |
| Debtors | 9 | 1,500 | 1,876 |
| Cash at bank | | <u>120,243</u> | <u>349,531</u> |
| | | 121,743 | 351,407 |
| CREDITORS | | | |
| Amounts falling due within one year | 10 | (2,004) | (2,850) |
| | | <u>119,739</u> | <u>348,557</u> |
| NET CURRENT ASSETS | | | |
| | | 1,067,181 | 1,157,927 |
| TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES | | | |
| | | <u>1,067,181</u> | <u>1,157,927</u> |
| NET ASSETS | | | |
| | | <u>1,067,181</u> | <u>1,157,927</u> |
| FUNDS | 11 | | |
| Unrestricted funds | | <u>1,067,181</u> | <u>1,157,927</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | | <u>1,067,181</u> | <u>1,157,927</u> |

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 December 2018.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2018 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that 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 deficit 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.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to charitable small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on and were signed on its behalf by:

.....
Mrs S Egloff -Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

SWISS BENEVOLENT SOCIETY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with the exception of investments which are included at market value.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, 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 accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end date are noted as a commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

Tangible fixed assets

All assets costing more than £250 are capitalised.

Depreciation is provided at the following rates in order to write off each asset over its useful life.

Plant and machinery etc - 20% on cost and 10% on cost.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

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 society and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for particular purposes. The aim and use of each designated fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Foreign currencies

Assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of transaction. Exchange differences are taken into account in arriving at the operating result.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

Investments

Investments are stated at market value at the balance sheet date. The statement of financial activities includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluations and disposals throughout the year.

2. INVESTMENT INCOME

| | 2018 | 2017 |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Income from UK listed investments | 23,941 | 27,066 |
| Deposit account interest | <u>2</u> | <u>3</u> |
| | <u>23,943</u> | <u>27,069</u> |

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
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3. RAISING FUNDS

Investment management costs

| | 2018 | 2017 |
|----------------------|--------------|--------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Portfolio management | <u>3,556</u> | <u>3,572</u> |

4. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

| | 2018 | 2017 |
|------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Depreciation - owned assets | 189 | 34 |
| Independent examiner's fee | 750 | 750 |
| Independent examiner's fee - other | <u>1,254</u> | <u>1,254</u> |

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2018 nor for the year ended 31 December 2017.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2018 nor for the year ended 31 December 2017.

6. STAFF COSTS

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

| | 2018 | 2017 |
|-----------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Charitable and support activities | <u>1</u> | <u>1</u> |

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

| | | Computer equipment £ |
|---------------------------|--|----------------------------|
| COST | | |
| At 1 January 2018 | | 801 |
| Additions | | <u>1,893</u> |
| At 31 December 2018 | | <u>2,694</u> |
| DEPRECIATION | | |
| At 1 January 2018 | | 801 |
| Charge for year | | <u>189</u> |
| At 31 December 2018 | | <u>990</u> |
| NET BOOK VALUE | | |
| At 31 December 2018 | | <u>1,704</u> |
| At 31 December 2017 | | <u>-</u> |

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
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8. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

| | Listed investments £ |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| MARKET VALUE | |
| At 1 January 2018 | 809,370 |
| Additions | 337,286 |
| Disposals | (126,080) |
| Revaluations | <u>(74,838)</u> |
| At 31 December 2018 | <u>945,738</u> |
| NET BOOK VALUE | |
| At 31 December 2018 | <u>945,738</u> |
| At 31 December 2017 | <u>809,370</u> |

There were no investment assets outside the UK.

The historic cost of the investments was £929,364 (2017 - £716,140).

9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

| | 2018 £ | 2017 £ |
|--------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Other debtors | - | 846 |
| Prepayments and accrued income | <u>1,500</u> | <u>1,030</u> |
| | <u>1,500</u> | <u>1,876</u> |

10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

| | 2018 £ | 2017 £ |
|------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Net Wages Control | - | 846 |
| Accruals and deferred income | <u>2,004</u> | <u>2,004</u> |
| | <u>2,004</u> | <u>2,850</u> |

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

| | At 1.1.18 £ | Net movement in funds £ | At 31.12.18 £ |
|---------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | | |
| General fund | 257,927 | (90,746) | 167,181 |
| Designated Funds | <u>900,000</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>900,000</u> |
| | <u>1,157,927</u> | <u>(90,746)</u> | <u>1,067,181</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>1,157,927</u> | <u>(90,746)</u> | <u>1,067,181</u> |

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11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

| | Incoming resources £ | Resources expended £ | Gains and losses £ | Movement in funds £ |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | | | |
| General fund | 38,559 | (51,832) | (77,473) | (90,746) |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>38,559</u> | <u>(51,832)</u> | <u>(77,473)</u> | <u>(90,746)</u> |

Comparatives for movement in funds

| | At 1.1.17 £ | Net movement in funds £ | At 31.12.17 £ |
|---------------------------|------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|
| Unrestricted Funds | | | |
| General fund | 229,234 | 28,693 | 257,927 |
| Designated Funds | <u>900,000</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>900,000</u> |
| | 1,129,234 | 28,693 | 1,157,927 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>1,129,234</u> | <u>28,693</u> | <u>1,157,927</u> |

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

| | Incoming resources £ | Resources expended £ | Gains and losses £ | Movement in funds £ |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| Unrestricted funds | | | | |
| General fund | 54,856 | (53,077) | 26,914 | 28,693 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>54,856</u> | <u>(53,077)</u> | <u>26,914</u> | <u>28,693</u> |

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11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Designated Funds

The purpose of the designated funds is to guarantee a sustainable development and to maintain the charity's task of providing grants to pensioners in the future. As at December 2018, the trustees have decided to keep the designated funds in the amount of £900,000.

12. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2018.

13. COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

The Society is a company limited by guarantee. The members of the company are the Trustees named on page 5. In the event of the Society being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the Society.

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

| | 2018 | 2017 |
|---|-----------------|---------------|
| | £ | £ |
| INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS | | |
| Donations and legacies | | |
| Gift aid on donations | 2,004 | 1,215 |
| Donations | 8,712 | 6,969 |
| Legacies | - | 12,000 |
| Subsidy from Swiss federation | <u>3,900</u> | <u>7,603</u> |
| | 14,616 | 27,787 |
| Investment income | | |
| Income from UK listed investments | 23,941 | 27,066 |
| Deposit account interest | <u>2</u> | <u>3</u> |
| | <u>23,943</u> | <u>27,069</u> |
| Total incoming resources | 38,559 | 54,856 |
| EXPENDITURE | | |
| Investment management costs | | |
| Portfolio management | 3,556 | 3,572 |
| Charitable activities | | |
| Wages | 13,860 | 13,579 |
| Pensions | 757 | 850 |
| Special events | 3,551 | 4,145 |
| Grants to individuals | <u>16,812</u> | <u>18,272</u> |
| | 34,980 | 36,846 |
| Support costs | | |
| Management | | |
| Visiting expenses | 892 | 526 |
| Telephone | 747 | 663 |
| Printing, postage and stationery | 616 | 870 |
| Sundries | 675 | 651 |
| Rent | 4,500 | 4,500 |
| IT costs | 324 | 221 |
| Subscriptions | 591 | 202 |
| Computer equipment depreciation | <u>189</u> | <u>34</u> |
| | 8,534 | 7,667 |
| Governance costs | | |
| Wages | 1,732 | 1,697 |
| Insurance | 868 | 931 |
| Accountancy and legal fees | 2,004 | 2,004 |
| Bank charges | <u>158</u> | <u>360</u> |
| | <u>4,762</u> | <u>4,992</u> |
| Total resources expended | 51,832 | 53,077 |
| Net (expenditure)/income before gains and losses | <u>(13,273)</u> | <u>1,779</u> |

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

| | 2018 £ | 2017 £ |
|--|-----------------|----------------|
| Realised recognised gains and losses | | |
| Realised gains/(losses) on fixed asset investments | (2,635) | (3,546) |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Net expenditure | <u>(15,908)</u> | <u>(1,767)</u> |