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# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021

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#### REPORT OF THE GOVERNORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021

The Governors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 July 2021.

#### **Objective of the Charity**

The principal activity of the Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies (the "Centre") is the advancement of research and education in the field of Hebrew and Jewish Studies. The Centre is sometimes referred to as the "Charity" in the accounts. A full review of the Centre's activities setting out the achievements of the Centre in meeting its objectives is contained in the separately published academic report for the academic year ended 30 September 2021.

# Organisational and decision-making structure

All major decisions of the Centre are authorised by its Board of Governors which meets not less than 3 times each year. Other main decision-making committees, which all report to the Board of Governors, are the Academic Council, Investment and Library Committees.

#### **Charitable status and associated Charity**

The Centre is a registered charity in England and has no liability to corporation tax on its charitable activities. The Centre is administered under its Memorandum and Articles of Association. The Centre is a company limited by guarantee and has no share capital. Each member undertakes to subscribe £1 in the event of a winding up of the company. The income and property of the Charity must be applied solely towards the promotion of the objectives of the Centre.

Accounting for The Yarnton Trust is included within the Centre's financial statements as authorised by the Uniting Direction dated 22 May 2008; however, the value of the individual funds within the Trust are detailed in the Notes to the Accounts (note 14).

### **Operating locations**

All the Centre's operations are based in the Clarendon Institute in central Oxford.

#### **Investment powers**

Under paragraph 10 of the Memorandum of Association, the Centre has the power to invest money, not immediately required for its purposes, in or upon such investments, securities or property as the Governors think fit.

#### **Achievements and Performance**

Despite the challenges of Covid-19 aside, this year has been particularly rich in exciting events. Lectures and seminars continued online:

- New publications by two fellows of the Centre: Alison Salvesen (editor), Israel in Egypt: The Land of Egypt as Concept and Reality for Jews in Antiquity and the Early Medieval Period; Daniel M. Herskowitz, Heidegger and His Jewish Reception'; Alison Salvesen (editor), The Oxford Handbook of Septuagint Studies; John Screnock (editor), Dead Sea Scrolls, Revise and Repeat: New Methods and Perspectives
- Ongoing partnership with the Taube Foundation for the doctoral scholarship. New partnerships with Salo Baron and Knapp Foundation.
- Research seminars: the Seminar on Jewish History in Graeco-Roman Period and the Seminar in Contemporary Jewish History
- Hebrew and Yiddish ulpanim
- Weekly David Patterson Lectures
- Fifth Edward Ullendorff Memorial Lecture (delivered by Professor Dr Ronny Vollandt)
- The Brichto Israeli Arts and Culture Lecture (delivered by Dr Ronit Irshai)
- A new seminar series, 'Reconsidering Early Jewish Nationalist Ideologies', co-convened by Dr Peter Bergamin and Professor Yaacov Yadgar, was added to our programme of activities

# REPORT OF THE GOVERNORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021 (continued)

#### COVID-19

The Covid-19 pandemic had a large impact on the planned workshops and seminars in 2021. The Oxford Seminar in Advanced Jewish studies (OSAJS) is the largest seminar run each year by the Centre, and the next two seminars have been postponed until January-March 2022 and April-June 2022. The majority of other planned workshops and events were cancelled and postponed to 2022. Teaching was able to continue remotely with a limited number of workshops also being completed online rather than at the Centre itself. All secured funding for 2020 events which were cancelled and postponed to 2022 remain in place, so the Centre is in a strong financial position going forward, and very much looks forward to organizing and hosting these seminars and workshops in the future.

#### **Financial review**

A statement of financial activities ("SOFA") for the year has been produced on page 8, showing movements on unrestricted, designated, restricted and endowment funds. The operating deficit for the year on unrestricted funds, before transfer of investment income was £610,911 (2020: £397,754). After transfer of investment income and net gains, net movement in funds for the year was -£219,283 (2020: £241,240) leaving a balance at the end of the year of £209,132 (2020: £428,415).

The deficit for the year as shown in the summary income and expenditure account was £142,505 (2020: deficit of £72,247).

Total funds at the end of the year were £15,577,066 (2020: £14,570,786), an increase of £1,006,280.

#### Funds and reserves policy

In accordance with the relevant SORP, the Centre's funds are shown in the SOFA and on the balance sheet.

Total Fixed Asset Endowment Investments at 31 July 2021 were valued at £14,963,107 (2020: £13,732,532).

Governors aim to maintain endowment reserves to provide a regular income for the support of the Centre's operating activities in the future.

During the year a sum of £350,000 was drawn down from the General Endowment fund held by JM Finn.

#### **Fund-raising activities**

The Centre received donations of £71,651 (2020: £141,877) and legacies of £2,422 (2020: £160,000) during the year. The Centre does not use professional fundraisers or involve commercial participators.

#### Plans for future periods

The Centre intends to continue hosting seminars and conferences for the furtherance of Jewish studies in the coming financial year and beyond, continuing in the same vain as it has in the past. It continues to raise funds for such events and despite the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic has hopes to run workshops and events in 2021 and beyond.

#### Risk review

The Centre carries out an annual assessment of major risks which are reviewed periodically by a committee of Governors. In the view of the Governors, risk management and internal controls are appropriate for the Centre's activities.

#### Pay policy for senior staff

The Governors, who are the Charity's trustees, and the senior management team comprise the key management personnel of the Charity in charge of directing and controlling, running and operating the Charity on a day to day basis. All Governors give of their time freely and no Governor received remuneration, for their role, in the year.

The President is directly employed by the University of Oxford and seconded to the role for the Centre. The President's salary is therefore set directly by the University. The Bursar's salary is agreed by the President with reference to the Governors, and it is benchmarked against academic average pay levels for similar roles.

The cumulative amount for total salaries paid to senior management in the year ended 31 July 2021 was £162,298.

#### REPORT OF THE GOVERNORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021 (continued)

#### Strategic objectives

The Centre is dedicated to promoting the highest standards of academic excellence; devoted to the advancement of knowledge through research, scholarship, publication, teaching and service to the profession; and committed to the dissemination of knowledge for the greater good of society.

The development of Jewish Studies at the University of Oxford is a prime responsibility of the Centre. The Centre provides funds for teaching for most of the Hebrew and Jewish Studies courses taught at the university and funds, houses and administers the Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies of the University of Oxford, to which the academic activities of the Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies were formally transferred on 1 September 2018.

The Leopold Muller Memorial Library augments the resources of the Bodleian Library by serving as a major repository of books and materials relating to Jewish studies.

The Board of Governors exercises its responsibilities of financial oversight, establishing policies, engaging in strategic planning, representing the institution to outside constituencies, contributing to and/or helping fundraising and providing expertise in areas needed by the Centre.

# Objectives of the Charity and activities for the public benefit

The Centre is devoted to promoting the study of Hebrew and other Jewish languages and to Jewish thought, history, literature, culture and society of all periods.

The research activities of the University of Oxford, funded, housed and administered by the Centre, aim to give the scholarly world and the general public a better understanding of Jewish issues.

The Centre funds teaching for all degrees in Hebrew and Jewish Studies at the University of Oxford. Scholars from many countries and every continent come to the Centre to study and research Hebrew, Yiddish and Jewish culture. All University courses taught by teaching staff of the University of Oxford, funded by the Centre, are open to all who meet the admission requirements which are based on scholarly attainment and potential.

The Centre also holds lectures, symposiums and conferences for the general public.

As the foremost institution of its kind in Europe, the Centre fulfils an international role. It has forged close relationships with universities and research bodies in many other countries.

The Centre's library is one of the most important open shelf research facilities in Europe in the field of Jewish studies, and the Centre has become an established meeting point for scholars from across the world.

The Centre is committed to making its research findings in Jewish history, languages, literature and culture available to the general public by all available means.

The Governors confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Centre's aims and objectives and in implementing and planning current and future activities.

#### Method used to recruit/appoint new trustees including constitutional provisions

New trustees are appointed as follows, in accordance with the Centre's Memorandum of Association.

- 1) Four trustees (University Board Members) are appointed by the University of Oxford (two by the Humanities Divisional Board and two by the Board of the Faculty of Oriental Studies).
- 2) All other trustees ('Ordinary Board Members') are co-opted Governors by the existing trustees.
- 3) The Centre's constitution requires a majority of the trustees to be Ordinary Board Members.

#### Policies and procedures for induction and training of trustees

New trustees are inducted by the Centre's President, who is responsible for ensuring that trustees are aware of the aims and purpose of the Centre and the procedures and duties of the Board of governors as trustees.

# REPORT OF THE GOVERNORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021 (continued)

#### Governors' responsibilities

The Governors (who are also directors of the Centre for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Report of the Governors and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the Governors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Centre and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, of the Centre for the year. In preparing these financial statements, the Governors are required to:

- · select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- · make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Centre will continue in operation.

The Governors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Centre 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 Centre and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

In so far as the Centre's Governors are aware:

- · there is no relevant audit information of which the Centre's auditors are unaware; and
- the Governors have taken the steps needed to be aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Centre's auditors are aware of that information.

# Investment funds

The Centre's investment funds are managed by J M Finn & Co.

#### Valuations at 31 July 2021

#### Expendable and partly expendable portfolio

The MCA Fund	£6,164,712	(2020: £5,551,552)
General funds	£-	(2020: £-)
The Yarnton Trust (Muller Library Fund)	£1,439,290	(2020: £1,296,135)
Permanent portfolio		
General funds	£1,260,869	(2020: £1,179,373)
OCHJS, Library and Fellowship	£1,026,294	(2020: £963,860)
The Yarnton Trust	£645,099	(2020: £605,404)
Other – expendable funds		
The Polonsky Foundation	£769,271	(2020: £685,260)
Lecture funds	£164,593	(2020: £141,728)
Pinto Legacy	£1,281,353	(2020: £1,179,384)

# REPORT OF THE GOVERNORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021 (continued)

#### Performance of investments against objectives

The investment objectives are to seek a combined long term return from income and capital growth, with a bias towards income, with the adoption of a medium risk investment portfolio.

#### Third party indemnity provisions

Directors' and officers' insurance cover has been established for all Governors to provide appropriate cover for their reasonable actions on behalf of the Centre. A deed was executed indemnifying each of the Governors as a supplement to the directors' and officers' insurance cover. The indemnities, which constitute a qualifying third-party indemnity provision as defined by section 234 of the Companies Act 2006, were in force during the financial year and remain in force for all current and past Governors of the Centre.

#### **Directors and Governors**

The Governors (who are also directors of the Charitable Company) set out below have held office for the whole of the period from 1 August 2020 to the date of this report, unless otherwise stated. In accordance with the Articles of Association, Professor Hugh Williamson and Mr Stuart Roden resign. Professor Hugh Williamson and Mr Stuart Roden, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election for a further period of 3 years from December 2020.

The Lord Fink of Northwood (Co-Chairman)
Professor Anna Sapir Abulafia (Vice-Chairman)
Professor Judith Olszowy-Schlanger (President)
Mr John Bowers, QC
Professor Martin Goodman
Dr Sondra Hausner
Professor Edmund Herzig
Mr David Lewis
Dr Laurent Mignon
Mr Daniel Patterson

Mr Daniel Peltz
Mr Stuart Roden

Ms Dinah Rose, QC (appointed 2 June 2021)

Ms Anne Webber

Professor Hugh Williamson Professor Yaacov Yadgar

#### **Appointment of Governors by the University**

The following bodies have the power to appoint members of the Board of Governors in accordance with the Articles of Association:

The Humanities Board of the University of Oxford (two members): The appointees on 1 August 2020 were Sondra Hausner and Anna Sapir Abulafia.

The Oriental Studies Board of the University of Oxford (two members): The appointees on 1 August 2020 were Laurent Mignon and Edmund Herzig.

#### **Governor Appointments, Induction and Training**

Governors are also trustees of the Charity. Appointments are made by the Board giving proper regard to the range of skills and experience needed to govern the Charity. On appointment, Governors are provided with copies of the Centre's governing documents, annual reports and other current relevant material. Ongoing legal, investment and other advice is thereafter provided to Governors as appropriate.

# REPORT OF THE GOVERNORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021 (Continued)

#### **Auditors**

Wenn Townsend have signified their willingness to continue in office as the Centre's auditors, and a resolution proposing their reappointment will be put forward at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting of the Centre.

This report has been prepared having taken advantage of the small companies exemption in the Companies Act 2006.

Approved by the Board of Governors on 8th December 2021 and signed on its behalf by

Professor Judith Olszowy-Schlanger, President

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE GOVERNORS OF THE OXFORD CENTRE FOR HEBREW AND JEWISH STUDIES

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of The Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies (the 'Centre') for the year ended 31 July 2021 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, Summary Income and Expenditure, the Balance Sheet and the Cash Flow Statements, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Centre's affairs as at 31 July 2021, 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.

#### Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the governors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the centre's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the governors with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

#### Other information

The governors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Report of the Governors, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

#### Opinions on other matters 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 governors' report (incorporating the directors' report) for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the directors' report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

# Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of our knowledge and understanding of the centre and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in directors' report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which 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

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE GOVERNORS OF THE OXFORD CENTRE FOR HEBREW AND JEWISH STUDIES (continued)

- · certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or
- the governors were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies' regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemptions in preparing the governors report.

#### Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the governors' responsibilities statement set out on page 4, the governors (who are also the directors of the centre 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, and for such internal control as the governors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the governors are responsible for assessing the Centre's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the governors either intend to liquidate the centre or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The specific procedures for this engagement and the extent to which these are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

- Enquiry of management, those charged with governance and the entity's solicitors around actual and potential litigation and claims;
- Enquiry of entity staff in Accounts and HR functions to identify any instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations;
- Reviewing minutes of meetings of those charged with governance;
- Reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- Performing audit work over the risk of management override of controls, including testing of journal entries and other
  adjustments for appropriateness, evaluating the business rationale of significant transactions outside the normal
  course of business and reviewing accounting estimates for bias.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk is also greater regarding irregularities occurring due to fraud rather than error, as fraud involves intentional concealment, forgery, collusion, omission or misrepresentation.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

#### Use of our report

This report is made solely to the Centre's governors, 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 Centre's governors those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's 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 Centre and the Centre's Governors as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Lee Baker FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)
For and on behalf of Wenn Townsend
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditor
Oxford

8th December 2021

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# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021

	Note	Unrestricted £	Designated £	Restricted £	Endowment £	Total 2021 £	Unrestricted £	Designated £	Restricted £	Endowment £	Total 2020 £
Income Incoming resources from raising funds											
Voluntary income Donations Legacies	2.1 2.1	29,779 2,422	-	41,872 -	-	71,651 2,422	61,033 160,000	-	80,844	-	141,877 160,000
Government grants Activities for raising funds	2.1 2.2	- 22,299	-	-	-	22,299	4,817 29,372	-	-	-	4,817 29,372
Investment income Income from charitable activities	2.3 2.4	43 -	67,922 80,901	3,564 -	360,808 -	432,337 80,901	1,395 -	87,880 85,766	1,782 3,000	440,520 -	531,577 88,766
Total income		54,543	148,823	45,436	360,808	609,610	256,617	173,646	85,626	440,520	956,409
Expenditure		00.000	40.005		74.000	447.000	04.444	10.111		40.470	00.000
Cost of raising funds Charitable activities	3 4	32,280 633,174	13,225 92,097	222,590	71,883	117,388 947,861	31,441 622,930	12,414 173,510	331,918	48,473 -	92,328 1,128,358
Total expenditure		665,454	105,322	222,590	71,883	1,065,249	654,371	185,924	331,918	48,473	1,220,686
Net gains/(losses) on investments Fixed asset investments											
net realised gains/(losses) Fixed asset investments	11	-	4,904	-	15,476	20,380	-	(41,372)	-	(192,111)	(233,483)
net unrealised gains/(losses)	11	-	240,109	-	1,205,192	1,445,301	-	(141,054)	-	(739,009)	(880,063)
Net income/(expenditure)		(610,911)	288,514	(177,154)	1,509,593	1,010,042	(397,754)	(194,704)	(246,292)	(539,073)	(1,377,823)
Net transfers between funds	14-17	395,390	(216,711)	182,129	(360,808)	-	639,851	(60,342)	187,851	(767,360)	-
Other recognised gains/(losses) Foreign exchange gains/(losses)		(3,762)	-	-	-	(3,762)	(857)	-	-	-	(857)
Net movement in funds for the year		(219,283)	71,803	4,975	1,148,785	1,006,280	241,240	(255,046)	(58,441)	(1,306,433)	(1,378,680)
Fund balances at 1 August 2020		428,415	2,215,797	102,378	11,824,196	14,570,786	187,175	2,470,843	160,819	13,130,629	15,949,466
Fund balances at 31 July 2021		209,132	2,287,600	107,353	12,972,981	15,577,066	428,415	2,215,797	102,378	11,824,196	14,570,786

The notes on pages 14 to 33 form part of these accounts.

# SUMMARY INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021

	2021 £	2020 £
Gross income from continuing operations – unrestricted, restricted and designated funds	248,802	515,889
Realised gains/(losses) from - Investments Other gains	245,013 (3,762)	(182,426) (857)
Transfer from endowment funds	360,808	767,360
Total expenditure of continuing operations	(993,366)	(1,172,213)
Total net income/(expenditure) for the year	(142,505)	(72,247)

The notes on pages 14 to 33 form part of these accounts.

#### **BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 JULY 2021**

Company Number: 1109384 2020 Note 2021 £ £ £ £ **Fixed assets** 9 Tangible fixed assets 73,502 81,669 221,500 10 221,500 Investment property Investments 11 14,963,107 13,732,532 15,258,109 14,035,701 **Current assets** Debtors - falling due within one year 12 265,583 72,186 Bank deposit – general 469,190 395,070 660,653 541,376 **Current liabilities** Creditors - falling due within one year (190,248)(85,016)13 **Net current assets** 351,128 575,637 Total assets less current liabilities 15,609,237 14,611,338 Creditors - falling due after more than one year Net assets excluding pension liability 15,609,237 14,611,338 **Pension provision** 19 (32,171)(40,552)14,570,786 **Net assets** 15,577,066 **Capital funds** Endowments 14 12,972,981 11,824,196 Income funds Unrestricted 15 241,303 468,967 Pension reserve 15/19 (32,171)(40,552)Designated 16 2,287,600 2,215,797 Restricted 17 107,353 102,378 15,577,066 14,570,786

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

Approved by the Board of Governors and signed on its behalf on 8th December 2021.

Professor Judith Olszowy-Schlanger, President

The notes on pages 14 to 33 form part of these accounts.

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# RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021

	Unrestricted £	Designated £	Restricted £	Endowment £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
At 1 August 2020	428,415	2,215,797	102,378	11,824,196	14,570,786	15,949,466
Movements in year	(219,283)	71,803	4,975	1,148,785	1,006,280	(1,378,680)
At 31 July 2021	209,132	2,287,600	107,353	12,972,981	15,577,066	14,570,786
Represented by:						
Fixed assets	73,502	-	-	221,500	295,002	303,169
Investments	-	2,211,626	-	12,751,481	14,963,107	13,732,532
Debtors	65,819	2,407	3,960	-	72,186	265,583
Bank deposit	133,376	73,567	262,247	-	469,190	395,070
Creditors	(31,394)	-	(158,854)	-	(190,248)	(85,016)
Pension provision	(32,171)	-	-	-	(32,171)	(40,552)
	209,132	2,287,600	107,353	12,972,981	15,577,066	14,570,786

# STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021

	Note	2021 £	2020 £
Net cash flow from operating activities	20	(508,217)	305,687
Cash flow from investing activities			
Payments to acquire investment assets Proceeds from disposal of investment assets Investment income  Net cash flow from investing activities		150,000 432,337 ———————————————————————————————————	(1,207,402) 350,000 531,577 (325,825)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equi	valents	74,120	(20,138)
Cash and cash equivalents at 1st August 2020		395,070	415,208
Cash and cash equivalents at 31st July 2021		469,190	395,070
Cash and cash equivalents consist of:			
Cash at bank and in hand		469,190	395,070
Cash and cash equivalents at 31st July 2021		469,190	395,070

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021

#### 1 Accounting policies

Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies is a charitable company limited by guarantee in the United Kingdom. In the event of the Centre being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the Centre. The address of the registered office is given in the Centre information in these financial statements. The nature of the Centre's operations and principal activities are included in the Governors' report.

The Centre constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. 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 issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006 and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value. The financial statements are prepared in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

### (a) Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of fixed asset investments.

#### (b) Income

Income has been credited to the SOFA on the following basis:

- General donations and dividends are recognised on a receivable basis and include any income tax recoverable;
- Donations received for specific purposes (such as towards future lectures / programmes operated by the Charity), are carried forward as deferred income and released to the SOFA when the event takes place;
- Interest and rents are recognised on an accruals basis.

#### (c) Expenditure recognition

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Expenditure is recognised where there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payments to third parties, it is probable that the settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

#### (d) Fixed Assets

Equipment with a value greater than £1,000 is capitalised. Depreciation is provided on a straight-line basis at a rate of 25% per annum on the cost less residual value of each asset.

Short leasehold land and buildings are depreciated over the lease term

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021

#### 1 Accounting policies (continued)

#### (e) Investment Property

Land retained on the sale of Yarnton Manor is measured at fair value at each reporting date with changes in fair value recognised in 'net gains/(losses) on investments' in the SOFA.

#### (f) Investments

Listed investments are stated at fair value. Net realised and unrealised gains and losses on investment assets are accounted for as part of the related funds when they occur, the calculation having been based on fair value.

#### (g) Debtors and creditors receivable/payable within one year

Debtors and creditors with no stated interest rate and receivable or payable within one year are recorded at transaction price. Any losses arising from impairment are recognised in expenditure.

#### (h) Taxation

The Centre is a charitable institution with exemption from taxation on its charitable activities under section 505 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988.

#### (i) Foreign currencies

Foreign currency transactions are initially recognised by applying to the foreign currency amount the spot exchange rate between the functional currency and the foreign currency at the date of the transaction.

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in a foreign currency at the balance sheet date are translated using the closing rate.

# (j) Operating leases

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to the SOFA over the term of the lease.

# (k) Employee benefits

When employees have rendered service to the Centre, short-term employee benefits to which the employees are entitled are recognised at the undiscounted amount expected to be paid in exchange for that service.

The Centre participates in the Universities Superannuation Scheme ("the USS") and the University of Oxford Staff Pension Scheme ("the OSPS") on behalf of its staff. Both schemes are contributory defined benefit schemes (i.e. they provide benefits based on length of service and pensionable salary). The assets of USS and OSPS are each held in separate trustee-administered funds.

Both schemes are multi-employer schemes and the Centre is unable to identify its share of the underlying assets and liabilities of each scheme on a consistent and reasonable basis. Therefore, as required by FRS 102, the Centre accounts for the schemes as if they were defined contribution schemes.

Both schemes have put in place agreements for additional contributions to fund their past service deficits. In accordance with the provisions of FRS 102, the Centre has recognised a liability for the future contributions that it estimates will be payable as a result of these deficit funding agreements.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021

#### 1 Accounting policies (continued)

#### (I) Allocation of expenditure

Specific items of expenses are attributed to the appropriate category:

- cost of raising funds, being the costs associated with generating incoming resources from all sources other than undertaking charitable activities;
- charitable activities, being the resources applied by the Centre in undertaking its work to meet its charitable objectives;
- support costs which are allocated to activity cost categories on a consistent basis, e.g. staff
  costs by the time spent and other costs by their usage.

#### (m) Fund accounting

Funds held by the Centre are:

- unrestricted general funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the Governors:
- designated funds which are funds set aside by the Governors out of unrestricted general funds for specific future purposes or projects;
- restricted funds which can only be used within the objects of the Centre as specified by the donor for the particular restricted purposes for which they are raised.
- endowment funds which are capital funds where, apart from endowments expendable in part or in whole (some of which are subject to restrictions on how much capital may be spent on an unrestricted basis), there is normally no power to spend the capital as if it was unrestricted income.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of the funds is included, where practicable, in the notes to the financial statements.

#### (n) Basis of allocation of costs between Unrestricted and Restricted Funds

Costs are specifically recognised as being for unrestricted or restricted purposes and are allocated accordingly.

#### (o) Gifts in kind

Properties, investments and other fixed assets donated to the Centre are included as donation income at market value at the time of receipt.

#### (p) Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as the trustees believe that no material uncertainties exist. The Governors have considered the level of funds held and the expected level of income and expenditure for 12 months from authorising these financial statements, including a revision of expectations for the potential impact of COVID-19 on the charity. The budgeted income and expenditure is sufficient with the level of reserves for the Centre to be able to continue as a going concern.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021

#### 1 Accounting policies (continued)

### (q) Critical accounting judgements

Critical accounting judgements

FRS 102 makes the distinction between a group plan and a multi-employer scheme. A group plan consists of a collection of entities under common control typically with a sponsoring employer. A multi-employer scheme is a scheme for entities not under common control and represents (typically) an industry-wide scheme such as that provided by USS and OSPS. The accounting for a multi-employer scheme where the employer has entered into an agreement with the scheme that determines how the employer will fund a deficit results in the recognition of a liability for the contributions payable that arise from the agreement (to the extent that they relate to the deficit) and the resulting expense is recognised in income or expenditure. The Governors are satisfied that the scheme provided by USS and OSPS meets the definition of a multi-employer scheme and has therefore recognised the discounted fair value of the contractual contributions under the funding plan in existence at the date of approving the financial statements.

#### (r) Key sources of estimation uncertainty

Pension scheme liability

The Governors are required to make assumptions on future staffing levels and appropriate discount rates when calculating the USS and OSPS pension scheme liability. These are included as best estimates at the date of calculation, but present a significant risk in potentially causing a material adjustment to the balance sheet.

# 2. Income

The results for the year are attributable to the principal activity, the advancement of education and research in the field of Hebrew and Jewish Studies.

#### 2.1 Voluntary income comprises

	Unrestricted £	Designated £	Restricted £	Endowment £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Donations	29,779	-	41,872	-	71,651	141,877
Legacies	2,422	-	-	-	2,422	160,000
Government grants receivable	-	-	-	-	-	4,817
	32,201	-	41,872	-	74,073	306,694

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021

# 2.2 Activities for raising funds

This comprises income for administrative support of academic programmes, office space (rental) and short let farming tenancy of retained land at Yarnton.

#### 2.3 Investment income

Investment income comprise	Unrestricted £	Designated £	Restricted £	Total Endowment £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Dividends and interest	_	67,922	-	360,808	428,730	528,400
Other	43	-	3,564	-	3,607	3,177
	43	67,922	3,564	360,808	432,337	531,577

#### 2.4 Income from charitable activities

Un	restricted £	Designated £	Restricted £	Endowment £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Conferences, student fees, accommodation and library funding Journal of Jewish Studies	; -	80,901	- -	- -	- 80,901	3,000 85,766
-	-	80,901	-	-	80,901	88,766

#### 3 Costs of raising funds

	Unrestricted £	Designated £	Restricted £	Endowment £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Advertising and fundraising Support costs	21,327 10,954	-	-	-	21,327 10,954	22,295 9,146
Investment menogement	32,281	-	-	-	32,281	31,441
Investment management Investment management fees	-	13,224	-	71,883	85,107	60,887
	32,281	13,224	-	71,883	117,388	92,328

# 4 Charitable activities

	Unrestricted £	Designated £	Restricted £	Endowment £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Academic	367,880	91,086	154,676	-	613,642	782,254
Movement in pension provision Clarendon Institute facilities	(8,381)	-	-	-	(8,381)	(25,030)
and supplies	5,717	-	-	-	5,717	5,717
MSt teaching and scholarships	2,470	-	6,163	-	8,633	14,260
Library	169,318	-	47,821	-	217,139	223,956
Hebrew and Jewish Studies Un	it 7,451	-	7,861	-	15,312	17,243
Clarendon Institute Building	44,601	1,011	6,069	-	51,681	63,053
Support costs	44,118	-	-	-	44,118	46,905
_	633,174	92,097	222,590	-	947,861	1,128,358

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021

# 5 Governors' and key management personnel remuneration and expenses

Except for the president, the Governors received no remuneration or reimbursed expenses during the year (2020: £Nil).

The total amount of employee benefits received by key management personnel was £31,664 (2020: £30,488).

The Centre considers its key management personnel are the Board of Governors, and the Senior Management Team.

No Governors (2020: none) are accruing pension arrangements.

#### 6.1 Further analysis of total resources expended, between staff and other costs Other Total Total Staff costs 2021 2020 costs £ £ £ £ Charitable activities Academic 158,900 454.742 613,642 782,254 Movement in pension fund (8,381)(8,381)(25,030)Clarendon Institute facilities and supplies 5,717 5,717 5,717 MSt teaching and scholarships 6,636 1,997 8,633 217,139 223,956 Library 217,139 Hebrew and Jewish Studies Unit 7,451 7,861 15,312 17,243 Clarendon Institute Building 63,053 51,681 51,681 Support Costs 46,905 44,118 44,118 947,861 1,128,358 170,733 777,128 Costs of raising funds 10,176 107,212 117,388 92,328 180,909 884,340 1,065,249 1,220,686

#### 6.2 Net resources expended

#### Results for the year are stated after charging:

		2021 £	2020 £
Depreciation Auditor's fee	Owned asset Fees payable for the audit of the charity's accounts	8,167 10,600	8,166 10,100
	Other fees	5,024	7,004

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021

### 7 Governors' remuneration

Payments totalling £379,619 (2020: £438,167) were made to the university, of which £130,634 (2020: £126,720) relate to services rendered as President.

Expenses of £407 (2020: £512) were reimbursed to or paid on behalf of the President, in respect of accommodation and travel costs incurred.

#### Other Governors

No other Governor received remuneration or expenses from the Centre during the year.

The cost of Professional Indemnity, Governors' and Officers' Liability was £4,411 (2020: £4,401).

# 8 Staff costs including Governors' remuneration

	2021	2020	
	£	£	
Wages and salaries	158,861	161,034	
Social security costs	7,204	8,824	
Other pension contributions	25,225	25,900	
Movement in provision	(8,381)	(25,030)	
	400.000	470.700	
	180,909	170,728	

There were no employees earning over £60,000 per annum.

Research stipends of £10,000 (2020: £95,104) were paid to visiting academics to cover living expenses, rental accommodation in Oxford and travel costs.

Salary grants of £216,546 (2020: £301,310) were paid to the University of Oxford which remunerated five of the Centre's Fellows, none of whom were Governors during the period.

The average number of persons, including Governors, employed by the Centre including those working part-time on a long-term basis, were as follows:

	202	21	2020		
	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time	
Academic	1	1	1	1	
Administration	1	6	1	6	
	2	7	2	7	

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021

# 9 Tangible fixed assets

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Clarendon Institute Building Capital improvement and alternations to internal space at 1 August	81,669	89,835
Less: Depreciation charge for the year	(8,167)	(8,166)
Books and equipment Library collections	73,501 1	81,668
Total fixed assets at 31 July 2021	73,502	81,669

The assets are all used for the furtherance of the Centre's objects in the advancement of education in the field of Hebrew and Jewish Studies.

# **Leopold Muller Memorial Library**

All holdings and collections of the LMML were gifted to the Chancellor Masters and Scholars of the University of Oxford under a Deed of Gift dated 29 August 2014 and are held on trust as part of the Bodleian Libraries Fund.

#### The Clarendon Institute, Walton Street, Oxford

On 1 September 2014, the Centre relocated its operations to University of Oxford offices in central Oxford under a Licence to Occupy part of the Clarendon Institute until 21 September 2030.

#### Depreciation

The Centre has spent £122,501 on alterations and refurbishment of a new lecture room. The capital sum is being depreciated over the term of the Centre's Licence to Occupy (15 years). Depreciation charged for the year was £8,167.

# **Equipment**

In accordance with the accounting policies of the Centre, fixed assets purchased in the period were written down to zero.

# 10 Investment property – endowment properties

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Yarnton Manor land retained on sale at valuation	221,500	221,500
	221,500	221,500

The original cost value of the retained land was £64,563. The land was independently valued by Carter Jonas LLP, RICS Registered Valuers, at a market value of £221,500 during the year ended 31st March 2016.

The land is included as an investment property as it is no longer used for the Centre's own purposes.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021

11	Movement in fixed asset investments
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Movement in fixed asset investments	2021 £	2020 £
Fair value at 1 August	13,732,532	14,070,537
Additions	3,361,994	2,805,463
Disposals	(2,213,454)	(3,358,431)
Change in cash held by investment managers	(1,383,646)	1,328,509
Realised net gains/(losses)	20,380	(233,483)
Unrealised net gains/(losses)	1,445,301	(880,063)
Fair value at 31 July	14,963,107	13,732,532
An analysis of the location of investment assets is as follows:	2021 £	2020 £
Investment assets listed in the United Kingdom	9,511,242	9,849,687
Investment assets listed outside the United Kingdom	5,451,865	3,882,845
	14,963,107	13,732,532

Cash included in fixed asset investments amounts to £54,573 (2020: £1,436,039) and is held on deposit.

# 12 Debtors

Due within one year

- uo e <b>,</b> e	2021 £	2020 £
Prepayments and accrued income	72,186	265,583
	72,186	265,583

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021

# 13 Creditors

Due within	one	year:
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Due within one year.	2021 £	2020 £
Creditors – suppliers Other creditors – taxation and social security Accruals Deferred income (see below)	6,252 2,436 12,561 168,999	12,658 2,119 21,843 48,396
	190,248	85,016
Deferred income funds – movement in year		
	2021 £	2020 £
Opening balance at 1 August Introduced during the year Released during the year	48,396 155,152 (34,549)	10,591 48,396 (10,591)
	168,999	48,396

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021

#### 14 Endowment Funds - 2021

14 Endownent I dilds - 2021	Balance 31 July 2020 £	Management Fees £	Net Incoming Resources £	Reallocated to Income & Expenditure Unrestricted £	Reallocated to Income & Expenditure Restricted	Transfers in / (out) of fund £	Net Realised Gains/Losses for the year £	Net Unrealised Gains/Losses for the year	Balance 31 July 2021 £
Investments (note 11) net of accrued invest			L	L	£	£	L	£	£
Partly expendable endowment funds									
MCA Fund	5,551,552	(35,068)	182,804	(182,804)	_	_	12,784	635,444	6,164,712
The Leopold Muller Memorial Library fund	1,296,135	(8,187)	42,680	-	(42,680)	-	2,984	148,358	1,439,290
George Pinto Legacy	1,179,384	(7,259)	25,371	(25,371)	-	-	499	108,729	1,281,353
	8,027,071	(50,514)	250,855	(208,175)	(42,680)		16,267	892,531	8,885,355
General endowment funds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
The Polonsky Foundation, Fellowship, equities	685,260	(4,389)	21,725	-	(21,725)	-	(10,150)	98,550	769,271
Lectures : David Patterson and Lehmann Memorial, equities	141,728		2,774		(2,774)		137	22,728	164,593
TOTAL EXPENDABLE (and partly expendable) ENDOWMENTS	8,854,059	(54,903)	275,354	(208,175)	(67,179)	-	6,254	1,103,809	9,819,219
Permanent Endowments J M Finn investments Library Catherine Lewis and Simon Davis Library Fund HRO Library Fund Isaiah Berlin Library Fund	129,375 22,662 16,281	(798) (140) (100)	3,952 692 497	:	(3,952) (692) (497)	:	433 76 55	8,745 1,532 1,100	137,755 24,130 17,336
Fellowships/scholarships David Patterson Fellowship in Jewish Law Jacobs Fellowship Mason Lectureship Goldman Lecture Fund	406,986 133,556 128,603 16,578	(2,509) (823) (793) (102)	12,431 4,079 3,928 506	- - - -	(12,431) (4,079) (3,928) (506)	- - - -	1,363 447 431 56	27,508 9,027 8,692 1,120	433,348 142,207 136,933 17,652
General Funds	109,819	(677)	3,354	-	(3,354)	-	368	7,423	116,933
	963,860	(5,942)	29,439	_	(29,439)	-	3,229	65,147	1,026,294
The Yarnton Trust The Paisner, Leigh, Hyman, Green and Schreiber Funds	605,404	(3,735)	18,800	-	(18,800)	-	2,029	41,401	645,099
SUB TOTAL -PERMANENT ENDOWMENTS, EQUITIES	2,748,637	(9,677)	48,239		(48,239)		5,258	106,548	1,671,393
General permanent endowment	1,179,373	(7,303)	37,215	(37,215)	(40,239)	-	3,964	84,835	1,260,869
TOTAL PERMANENT ENDOWMENTS	2,748,637	(16,980)	85,454	(37,215)	(48,239)		9,222	191,383	2,932,262
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	11,602,696	(71,883)	360,808	(245,390)	(115,418)	-	15,476	1,205,192	12,751,481
Investment Property Expendable Anonymous for Manor Farm, land retained Land at Yarnton	221,500	-	-	-	-		-		221,500
TOTAL ALL ENDOWMENTS	11,824,196	(71,883)	360,808	(245,390)	(115,418)		15,476	1,205,192	12,972,981
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#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021

#### 14 Endowment Funds (continued) - 2021

	31 July 2020	Fees	Incoming Resources	to Income & Expenditure Unrestricted	to Income & Expenditure Restricted	Designated Funds	Gains/Losses for the year	Gains/Losses for the year	31 July 2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
MCA Fund	5,551,552	(35,068)	182,804	(182,804)			12,784	635,444	6,164,712

The MCA Endowment Fund is a separate fund for the purposes of advancing education in Hebrew and Jewish Studies. The donor of the original grant of £3,000,000 specified that the capital, which is to be invested on professional advice in order to obtain the maximum long-term total return (net of any tax) which is regarded from time to time as a prudent target for the Fund, may be spent provided that:

- (1) the total of income, realised and unrealised gains spent in any full financial year of the Centre does not exceed 8% of the original grant as increased by the percentage increase in the UK Retail Prices Index from 30 June 2001 to the beginning of such financial year, but so that any unspent part of such 8% may be carried forward and spent in subsequent financial years in addition to such 8% limit each such financial year and
- (2) the market value of the capital of the Fund (after deducting any losses and liabilities, whether actual, accrued or contingent) not more than 30 days prior to the date on which the Governors resolve to spend the gains is not less than the original grant (increased as specified in the proviso (1) above) after excluding the gains resolved to be spent.

Provisos (1) and (2) are also applied to the additional grants of £1,062,350 from their respective dates of receipt. There were no additional grants during the year ended 31 July 2021 (2020: £nil). At 31 July 2021, the total grants increased by the UK Retail Prices Index for the relevant periods, amounted to £6,206,108 (2020: £6,051,739) so that the market value of £6,164,712 (2020: £5,551,552) gave rise to a deficit of £41,396 (2020: deficit of £500,187).

The unspent parts of 8% per annum aggregate to £4,634,579 (2020: £4,320,894).

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021

#### 14 Endowment Funds - 2020

14 Endownient and Edge	Balance 31 July 2019	Management Fees	Net Incoming Resources	Reallocated to Income & Expenditure Unrestricted	Reallocated to Income & Expenditure Restricted	Transfers in / (out) of fund	Net Realised Gains/Losses for the year	Net Unrealised Gains/Losses for the year	Balance 31 July 2020
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Investments (note 11) net of accrued invest	tment management	t fee							
Partly expendable endowment funds	6.047.420	(05.407)	226 702	(226.705)			(106 677)	(262.740)	E EE1 EE0
MCA Fund The Leopold Muller Memorial Library fund	6,047,438 1,411,922	(25,497) (5,964)	226,703 52,930	(226,705)	(52,930)	-	(106,677) (24,906)	(363,710) (84,917)	5,551,552 1,296,135
George Pinto Legacy	1,207,402	(3,520)	7,493	(7,493)	(02,000)	-	3,315	(27,813)	1,179,384
G	8,666,762	(34,981)	287,126	(234,198)	(52,930)		(128,268)	(476,440)	8,027,071
General endowment funds	341,767	2,588	7,836	(7,836)	(32,330)	(326,840)	(2,143)	(15,372)	0,027,071
	341,707	2,300	7,030	(7,030)	-	(320,040)	(2, 143)	(13,372)	-
The Polonsky Foundation, Fellowship, equities	754,991	(3,259)	24,759	-	(24,759)	-	(10,327)	(56,145)	685,260
Lectures : David Patterson and Lehmann Memorial, equities	151,362	-	5,149	-	(5,149)	-	-	(9,634)	141,728
TOTAL EXPENDABLE (and partly expendable) ENDOWMENTS	9,914,882	(35,652)	324,870	(242,034)	(82,838)	(326,840)	(140,738)	(557,591)	8,854,059
Permanent Endowments J M Finn investments Library Catherine Lewis and Simon Davis Library Fund HRO Library Fund Isaiah Berlin Library Fund	140,913 24,683 17,734	(602) (105) (76)	5,570 976 701	:	(5,570) (976) (701)	: :	(2,413) (423) (304)	(8,523) (1,493) (1,073)	129,375 22,662 16,281
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Fellowships/scholarships David Patterson Fellowship in Jewish Law Jacobs Fellowship Mason Lectureship Goldman Lecture Fund General Funds	443,283 145,467 140,073 18,056 119,614	(1,894) (622) (599) (77) (511)	17,521 5,750 5,537 714 4,728	: :	(17,521) (5,750) (5,537) (714) (4,728)	:	(7,592) (2,491) (2,399) (309) (2,049)	(26,811) (8,798) (8,472) (1,092) (7,235)	406,986 133,556 128,603 16,578 109,819
	1,049,823	(4,486)	41,497		(41,497)		(17,980)	(63,497)	963,860
The Yarnton Trust The Paisner, Leigh, Hyman, Green and Schreiber Funds	659,438	(2,820)	26,337	-	(26,337)	-	(11,302)	(39,912)	605,404
SUB TOTAL -PERMANENT									
ENDOWMENTS, EQUITIES	2,994,247	(12,819)	115,650	(47,816)	(67,834)	-	(51,373)	(181,418)	2,748,637
General permanent endowment	1,284,986	(5,513)	47,816	(47,816)	-	-	(22,091)	(78,009)	1,179,373
TOTAL PERMANENT ENDOWMENTS	2,994,247	(12,819)	115,650	(47,816)	(67,834)	-	(51,373)	(181,418)	2,748,637
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	12,909,129	(48,471)	440,520	(289,850)	(150,672)	(326,840)	(192,111)	(739,009)	11,602,696
Investment Property Expendable Anonymous for Manor Farm, land retained Land at Yarnton	221,500								221,500
TOTAL ALL ENDOWMENTS	13,130,629	(48,471)	440,520	(289,850)	(150,672)	(326,840)	(192,111)	(739,009)	11,824,196
TOTAL ALL ENDOWMENTS		(40,471)	<del></del>	(203,030)	(130,072)	(320,040)	(132,111)	——————————————————————————————————————	

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021

# 14 Endowment Funds (continued) - 2020

	31 July 2019	Fees	Incoming Resources	to Income & Expenditure Unrestricted	to Income & Expenditure Restricted	Designated Funds	Gains/Losses for the year	Gains/Losses for the year	31 July 2020
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
MCA Fund	6,047,438	(25,497)	226,703	(226,705)	-	-	(106,677)	(363,710)	5,551,552

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Unrestricted funds			•	_	Transi			
General reserve Pension reserve				54,543 -	395,	390 (3,7		35) 241,303 31 (32,171)
		428,4	115	54,543	395,	390 (3,7	762) (665,45	54) 209,132
			•	_	Transf	•	es) Resource	•
General reserve Pension reserve		(65,5	582)	256,617		-	- 25,03	01) 468,967 80 (40,552)
		187,1	175	256,617	639,	851 (8	357) (654,37	'1) 428,415 ————
Designated Funds	At 31 July 2020 £	Incoming Resources £		gains/les for the	osses	gains/losses	Outgoing Resources £	31 July 2021 £
Journal of Jewish Studies Fellowship Fund	123,066 2,092,731	80,901 67,922	(216,711	)	- 4,904	- 240,109	(86,056) (19,266)	117,911 2,169,689
	2,215,797	148,823	(216,711	)	4,904	240,109	(105,322)	2,287,600
	At 31 July 2019 £	Incoming Resources £		gains/les for the	osses	gains/losses	Outgoing Resources £	31 July 2020 £
Journal of Jewish Studies Fellowship Fund	123,540 2,347,303			- ?) (4	- 11,372)	- (141,054)	(86,240) (99,684)	123,066 2,092,731
	2,470,843	173,646	(60,342	2) (4	11,372)	(141,054)	(185,924)	2,215,797
Restricted Funds		31	l July 2020 £		•	Outgoing Resources £	Transfers £	31 July 2021 £
Fellowships, visiting Fellowships, permanent	itute 2014)	2. 3.	4,998 605 4,033 - 3,471 - 7,791 495 2,000	7, 20, 10,	997 081 - 659 - - - 587	(11,560) (2,124) (5,389) (151,108) - (47,822) - - (4,587) (222,590)	3,280 - - 131,027 - 47,822 - - - - - 182,129	32,265 13,438 593 36,641 - 3,471 10,659 7,791 495 2,000 -
	General reserve Pension reserve  General reserve Pension reserve Pension reserve  Designated Funds  Journal of Jewish Studies Fellowship Fund  Restricted Funds  Conferences and lectures Conferences (Corob) Conference (Summer Inst Fellowships, visiting Fellowships, visiting Fellowships, permanent Hebrew manuscript works Library fund Memorial lecture Musica Judaica L Paisner Fund	General reserve Pension reserve  General reserve Pension reserve  Designated Funds  At 31 July 2020 £  Journal of Jewish Studies Fellowship Fund  Journal of Jewish Studies Fellowship Fund  Tay,066 2,092,731  2,215,797  At 31 July 2019 £  Journal of Jewish Studies Fellowship Fund  Tay,040 2,347,303  2,470,843  Restricted Funds  Conferences and lectures Conferences (Corob) Conference (Summer Institute 2014) Fellowships, permanent Hebrew manuscript workshop Library fund Memorial lecture Musica Judaica L Paisner Fund	Conferences and lectures   Conferences and lectures   Conferences (Corob)   Conferences (Corob)   Conferences (Corob)   Conference (Summer Institute 2014)   Fellowships, permanent Hebrew manuscript workshop Library fund (Memorial lecture Musica Judaica L Paisner Fund Paul Goodman archive   Conference (Summer Institute Paul Goo	Conferences and lectures   Conferences (Corob)   Conference (Summer Institute 2014)   Fellowships, visiting   Fellowships, permanent   Hebrew manuscript workshop   Conference (Summer Institute 2014)   Fellowships, permanent   Hebrew manuscript workshop   Conference (Summer Institute 2014)   Conference (Summer Institute	Ceneral reserve	Caperal reserve	Ceneral reserve   Fension re	Ceneral reserve

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021

#### 17 Restricted Funds (continued)

restricted Funds (continued)	31 July 2019 £	Incoming Resources £	Outgoing Resources £	Transfers £	31 July 2020 £
Conferences and lectures	24,927	_	(1,805)	5,863	28,985
Conferences (Corob)	37,578	-	(12,580)	-	24,998
Conference (Summer Institute 2014)	-	3,678	(3,073)	_	605
Fellowships, visiting	80,009	73,189	(119,164)	(1)	34,033
Fellowships, permanent	4,037	8,000	(133,850)	121,813	_
Hebrew manuscript workshop	3,411	-	60	-	3,471
Library fund	-	-	(60,176)	60,176	_
Memorial lecture	8,074	-	(283)	-	7,791
Musica Judaica	783	-	(288)	-	495
L Paisner Fund	2,000	-	` -	-	2,000
Baron Foundation	-	759	(759)	-	-
	160,819	85,626	(331,918)	187,851	102,378

#### Fellowships, visiting

Grants received cover the costs of the Oxford Seminars on Advanced Jewish Studies held during the year. A full report on the academic activities relating to the Seminars is published in the Centre's separate Annual Report for the year.

#### Fellowships, permanent

The money received represents donations to pay for the employment of Centre fellows.

#### Library Fund

This income represents investment income received from the Leopold Muller Memorial Library fund held within The Yarnton Trust.

#### 18 Analysis of Group Assets

Allalysis of Gloup Assets					
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total
	Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Fund balances at 31 July 2021 are represent	ented by:				
Fixed assets	73,502	-	-	221,500	295,002
Investments	-	2,211,626	-	12,751,481	14,963,107
Debtors	65,819	2,407	3,960	· · · · -	72,186
Bank deposit	133,376	73,567	262,247	_	469,190
Creditors	(31,394)	, -	(158,854)	_	(190,248)
Pension provision	(32,171)	-	-	-	(32,171)
	209,132	2,287,600	107,353	12,972,981	15,577,066
	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted	Endowment Funds	Total Funds
	Unrestricted Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds
Fund halances at 31 July 2020 are represe	Funds £				
Fund balances at 31 July 2020 are represented assets	Funds £ ented by:	Funds	Funds	Funds £	Funds £
Fixed assets	Funds £	Funds £	Funds	Funds £ 221,500	Funds £ 303,169
Fixed assets Investments	Funds £ ented by: 81,669	Funds £ - 2,129,836	Funds £ -	Funds £	Funds £ 303,169 13,732,532
Fixed assets Investments Debtors	Funds £ ented by: 81,669 - 221,720	Funds £ 2,129,836 3,834	Funds £ - - 40,029	Funds £ 221,500	Funds £ 303,169 13,732,532 265,583
Fixed assets Investments Debtors Bank deposit	Funds £ ented by: 81,669 - 221,720 199,264	Funds £ - 2,129,836	Funds £ - - 40,029 113,679	Funds £ 221,500	Funds £ 303,169 13,732,532 265,583 395,070
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#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021

#### 19 Pension Commitments

# Universities Superannuation Scheme ("USS")

The pension charge for the year includes £13,859 (2020: -£7,466) in relation to the USS. This represents contributions of £16,170 (2020: £17,030) payable to the USS in the year, as adjusted by the change in the deficit funding liability between the opening and closing balance sheet dates of £995 (2020: £24,069) and deficit contributions net of discounting of £1,316 (2020: £427).

The latest available complete actuarial valuation of the Scheme is at 31 March 2018 ("the valuation date"), which was carried out using the projected unit method, embracing a market value approach. The resulting levels of contribution take account of actuarial surpluses or deficits in the scheme. The financial assumptions were derived from market conditions prevailing at the valuation date. The results of the latest actuarial valuation and the assumptions which have the most significant effect on the results were:

	USS
Date of valuation:	31/03/18
Date valuation results published:	16/09/19
Value of liabilities:	£67.3bn
Value of assets:	£63.7bn
Funding surplus / (deficit):	(£3.6bn)
Principal assumptions:	
Discount rate	CPI - 0.73% to CPI +2.52% <b>a</b>
Rate of increase in salaries	n/a
<ul> <li>Rate of increase in pensions</li> </ul>	CPI <b>b</b>
Assumed life expectancies on retirement at age 65:	
Males currently aged 65	24.4 yrs
Females currently aged 65	25.9 yrs
Males currently aged 45	26.3 yrs
Females currently aged 45	27.7 yrs
Funding Ratios:	·
Technical provisions basis	95%
Statutory Pension Protection Fund basis	76%
'Buy-out' basis	56%
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Employer contribution rate (as % of pensionable salaries):	21.1% increasing to 23.7% on 01/10/21
Effective date of next valuation:	31/03/20

a. The discount rate (forward rates) for the USS valuation was:

Years 1-10: CPI + 0.14% reducing linearly to CPI – 0.73%

Years 11-20: CPI + 2.52% reducing linearly to CPI + 1.55% by year 21

Years 21 +: CPI + 1.55%

b. Pensions increases (CPI) for the USS valuation were:

Term dependent rates in line with the difference between the Fixed Interest and Index Linked yield curves, less 1.3% p.a.

c. The USS employer contribution rates include provisions for the cost of future accrual of defined benefits, deficit contributions, administrative expenses and defined contributions.

# Sensitivity of actuarial valuation assumptions

Surpluses or deficits which arise at future valuations may impact on the company's future contribution commitment. The sensitivities regarding the principal assumptions used to measure the scheme liabilities are set out below:

Assumption	USS Change in assumption	Impact on USS liabilities
Initial discount rate	increase by 0.1%	decrease by £1.2bn
Asset values	reduce by 10%	increase by £6.4bn
RPI – CPI spread	increase by 0.1%	decrease by £0.7bn
Rate of mortality	more prudent assumption (mortality rated down by a further year)	increase by £1.6bn

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021

#### 19 Pension Commitments (continued)

#### **Deficit Recovery Plans**

In line with FRS 102 paragraph 28.11A, the Centre has recognised a liability for the contributions payable for the agreed deficit funding plan. The principle assumptions used in these calculations are tabled below:

	USS
Finish Date for Deficit Recovery Plan	31/03/28
Average staff number increase	Nil
Average staff salary increase	1.2% pa
Average discount rate over period	0.89%

A provision of £32,171 has been made at 31 July 2021 (2020: £34,482) for the present value of the estimated future deficit funding element of the contributions payable under these agreements, using the assumptions shown. The provision reduces as the deficit is paid off according to the pension recovery scheme.

A copy of the full actuarial valuation report and other further details on the scheme are available on the USS website.

Since the year end, the 2020 actuarial valuation has been completed. See note 22 for more details.

# Oxford Staff Pension Scheme ("OSPS")

The pension charge for the year includes £2,985 (2020: £8,336) in relation to the OSPS. This represents contributions of £9,055 (2020: £8,870) payable to the OSPS in the year, as adjusted by the change in the deficit funding liability between the opening and closing balance sheet dates of £6,115 (2020: -£154) and deficit contributions net of discounting of -£45 (2020: £688).

#### **Actuarial valuations**

Qualified actuaries periodically value OSPS defined benefits using the 'projected unit method', embracing a market value approach. The resulting levels of contribution take account of actuarial surpluses or deficits in each scheme. The financial assumptions were derived from market conditions prevailing at the valuation date. The results of the latest actuarial valuations and the assumptions which have the most significant effect on the results were:

	OSPS
Date of valuation:	31/03/19
Date valuation results published:	19/06/20
Value of liabilities:	£848m
Value of assets:	£735m
Funding surplus / (deficit):	(£113m)
Principal assumptions:	
Discount rate	Gilts +0.5%- 2.25% <b>a</b>
Rate of increase in salaries	RPI
Rate of increase in pensions	Average RPI/CPI <b>b</b>
Assumed life expectancies on retirement at age 65:	
Males currently aged 65	21.7 yrs
Females currently aged 65	24.4 yrs
Males currently aged 45	23.0 yrs
<ul> <li>Females currently aged 45</li> </ul>	25.8 yrs
Funding Ratios:	070/
<ul> <li>Technical provisions basis</li> </ul>	87%
<ul> <li>Statutory Pension Protection Fund basis</li> </ul>	74%
'Buy-out' basis	60%
Employer contribution rate (as % of pensionable salaries):	19%
Effective date of next valuation:	31/03/22

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021

#### 19 Pension Commitments (continued)

a. The discount rate for the OSPS valuation was:

Pre-retirement: Equal to the UK nominal gilt curve at the valuation date plus 2.25% p.a. at each term. Post-retirement: Equal to the UK nominal gilt curve at the valuation date plus 0.5% p.a. at each term.

b. Increases to pensions in payment for the OSPS valuation were:

RPI inflation is derived from the geometric difference between the UK nominal gilt curve and the UK index-linked curve at the valuation date, less 0.3% p.a. at each term. CPI inflation is derived from the RPI inflation assumption, less the Scheme Actuary's best estimate of the long-term difference between RPI and CPI inflation as applies from time to time (1.0% p.a. as at 31 March 2019).

For pension increases linked to inflation, a pension increase curve is constructed based on either the RPI, CPI or the average of the RPI and CPI inflation curves described above, adjusted to allow for the different maximum and minimum annual increases that apply, and the Scheme Actuary's best estimate of inflation volatility as applies from time to time.

c. The OSPS employer contribution rates include provisions for the cost of future accrual of defined benefits, deficit contributions, administrative expenses and defined contributions.

#### Sensitivity of actuarial valuation assumptions

Surpluses or deficits which arise at future valuations may impact on the company's future contribution commitment. The sensitivities regarding the principal assumptions used to measure the scheme liabilities are set out below:

Assumption	OSPS Change in assumption	Impact on OSPS technical provisions
Valuation rate of interest	decrease by 0.25%	increase by £45m
RPI	increase by 0.25%	Increase by £40m

#### **Deficit Recovery Plans**

In line with FRS 102 paragraph 28.11A, the company has recognised a liability for the contributions payable for the agreed deficit funding plan. The principle assumptions used in these calculations are tabled below:

	OSPS
Finish Data for Deficit December / Plan	20/04/29
Finish Date for Deficit Recovery Plan	30/01/28
Average staff number increase	Nil
Average staff salary increase	1.2% pa
Average discount rate over period	0.89%

In line with FRS 102 paragraph 28.11A, the Centre has recognised a provision of £nil at 31 July 2021 (2020: £6,070) for the present value of the estimated future deficit funding element of the contributions payable under this agreement. In determining the level of this provision it has been assumed that the Centre will continue to have a constant level of employee participation in this scheme and that the relevant earnings of these employees will increase in line with the actuary's projected long-term salary rate increases. The provision reduces as the deficit is paid off according to the pension recovery scheme.

A copy of the full actuarial valuation report and other further details on the scheme are available on the University of Oxford website <a href="http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/finance/epp/pensions/schemes/osps/">http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/finance/epp/pensions/schemes/osps/</a>.

	2021 £
Pension obligation at 1 August Net movements	40,552 (8,381)
Pension obligation at 31 July	32,171

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2021

#### 20 Reconciliation of net income to net cash flow from operating activities

	2021 £	2020 £
Net income for year	1,010,042	(1,377,823)
Investment income Depreciation and impairment of tangible fixed assets Investment management fees paid from capital account Gains on foreign exchange Net (gains)/losses on investments Decrease in debtors Increase/(decrease) in creditors (Decrease) in pension provision	(432,337) 8,167 85,106 (3,762) (1,465,681) 193,397 105,232 (8,381)	(531,577) 8,166 81,861 (857) 1,113,546 1,059,952 (22,551) (25,030)
Net cash flow from operating activities	(508,217)	305,687

# 21 Contingent asset

During the year, the charity received notification that it was a beneficiary in the estate of a deceased donor in the form of a legacy gift. The gift consists of a series of paintings, books, coins, historical pieces as well as an interest in a residential property. As probate has not yet been granted, a value of the gift can not be reliably estimated and as such, no adjustment has been made in the statement of financial activities.

#### 22 Post balance sheet events

#### **Universities Superannuation Scheme**

Since the year end, following the completion of the 2020 actuarial valuation, a new dual rate schedule of contributions has been agreed with an effective date of 1 October 2021. Recalculating the USS provision on the basis of these contributions would result in an increased obligation to fund the deficit of £84,000, an increase of £51,829.

A further change to deficit recovery contributions will become applicable under the 2020 valuation if the Joint Negotiating Committee recommended deed on benefit changes has not been executed by 28 February 2022. In this scenario, higher deficit recovery contributions will commence from 1 October 2022 at 3% and then increase every 6 months until they reach 20% at 1 October 2025. They remain at this level until 31 July 2032. Negotiations continue and an increase to this level is considered remote

If the Schedule of Contributions remains unchanged, the Centre's Financial Statements for the year ended 31 July 2022 will reflect these changes to the provision, subject to any other changes in financial and operational assumptions.