

THE GATHERING THE VOICES ASSOCIATION

REPORT AND ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

SCOTTISH CHARITY NUMBER SC047809

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

TRUSTEES

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FOUNDING DOCUMENT

The charity was set up by means of a constitution that was accepted by the Office of the Scottish Regulator on 9 October 2017.

CHARITABLE PURPOSES

The charitable purposes of the Association are the advancement of education and the advancement of the arts, heritage, culture or science by providing a website, information, educational resources, talks and exhibitions about the Holocaust and the refugee experience to the general public, students and school children and by learning from testimonies of Holocaust survivors and refugees from Nazi persecution who have settled in Scotland.

ACTIVITIES

The Gathering the Voices Association had another busy and successful year in 2019. In January 2019, our mobile exhibition was featured at the East Renfrewshire/Renfrewshire Holocaust Memorial Day event, following which it was installed in Paisley Abbey for one week. During that time Howard Singerman gave a number of talks at the Abbey. We took the exhibition to a large number of schools during the year and gave talks at all the schools. Another highlight came at the end of the year when the exhibition was displayed at St Ninian's High School, East Renfrewshire for three weeks. Howard Singerman and Steven Anson gave talks to all 1800 of the school's pupils, trained a number of the students to guide their fellow pupils round the exhibition and held a Holocaust Information evening attended by family and friends of pupils.

Angela Shapiro conducted a seminar for History students and staff at Glasgow Caledonian University. In addition, we gave talks to a number of other organisations such as church and social groups. Steven Anson featured as one of the living books at the Living Library Scottish Storytelling Festival in Edinburgh, telling his father's story.

There have been no changes in the trustees during the year.

TRUSTEES REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

The Trustees received reimbursement of expenses of £133 during the year (2018: £571).

RESERVES

All of the Trust funds are unrestricted general funds and are used by the Trustees to further the work being carried out in accordance with the above charitable purposes.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

Lewis J Osborne, Chartered Accountant, has agreed to carry on the position of Independent Examiner to the Trust.

Approved by the Trustees on 27 May 2020 and signed on their behalf by: -

Howard Singerman
Trustee

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2019 which are set out on pages 3 and 4.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). The Trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1)(a) to (c) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under Section 44(1)(c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Trustees and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeks explanations from the Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently, I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention

- 1 which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 44(1)(a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and

to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 8 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations have not been met, or
- 2 to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

LEWIS J OSBORNE
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT

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27 May 2020

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR TO 31 DECEMBER 2019

	2019		2018	
	£	£	£	£
RECEIPTS				
Travelling Exhibition	1271		1985	
Trust Income	4000		4500	
General Donations	163		95	
	<u> </u>	5434	<u> </u>	6580
PAYMENTS				
Travelling Exhibition Costs	1884		3623	
Website Costs	1106		2443	
Insurance	426		504	
Office Expenses	55		1197	
Travel Expenses (net)	133		571	
	<u> </u>	3604		8338
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR YEAR		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
		1830		-1758

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STATEMENT OF BALANCES AT 31 DECEMBER 2019

	2019		2018	
	£	£	£	£
CURRENT ASSETS				
Bank Balances	14543		10811	
Debtors	<u>0</u>		<u>1985</u>	
		14543		12796
CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Creditors		0		82
NET ASSETS		<u>14543</u>		<u>12714</u>
RESERVES				
General Unrestricted Funds				
Opening Balance		12713		14471
Surplus/(Deficit) for year		1830		-1758
Closing Balance		<u>14543</u>		<u>12713</u>

These accounts have been prepared on the Receipts & Payments basis in accordance with the Charities & Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended).

Approved by the Trustees on 27 May 2020 and signed on their behalf by: -

Howard Singerman
Trustee

