

**THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF SURGERY SOCIETY LIMITED**  
(A Company Limited by Guarantee)

Charity No 271326  
Company No. 1248899

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR YEAR ENDED**

**31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2012**

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# The British Journal of Surgery Society Limited

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# The British Journal of Surgery Society Limited

## Report of the Council

The Trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2012

**Company Number** 1248899  
**Charity Number** 271326

### Governing Documents

The British Journal of Surgery Society Ltd is constituted as a limited company without share capital and owns the right to publish the British Journal of Surgery. The Memorandum and Articles of Association (originally drafted in the 1950's) are updated to reflect any changes in the Companies Act. The last amendments to these were approved at the Thirty-third Annual General Meeting on 13 May 2009 to reflect changes in Company and Charities legislation in the UK and to incorporate changes to the structure of the Society and its relationship with its privileged bodies.

### Board of Trustees

The Trustees (who are also the directors, under company law) who served through the year 2012 and to the date of signing this report are detailed below

Professor O J Garden (Chairman)  
Professor J-C Givel (Vice Chairman)  
Professor U Haglund (Vice Chairman)  
Mr MG Wyatt (Treasurer – elected 9 May 2012)  
Professor P R O'Connell (Company Secretary – elected 9 May 2012)  
Mr D Baker  
Professor P-A Clavien  
Professor J de Oca (elected May 2012)  
Mr R Hinchliffe (elected May 2012)  
Professor R Madoff  
Dr A Montgomery  
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Professor P Naredi  
Professor S Post  
Professor A Sitges Serra  
Professor E Turet  
Professor R Tollenaar  
Dr C Vallet

The following members resigned on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2012

Professor N Mortensen  
Mr I Finlay  
Professor D Legemate

In addition, Council meetings were attended by the Editors (who are not Trustees)

Professor D Alderson (Editor in Chief)  
Mr J J Earnshaw (Editor in Chief)  
Professor A Bergenfelz  
Mr J Beynon  
Dr K DeJong  
Mr K Soreide  
Mr D Winter

# The British Journal of Surgery Society Limited

## Report of the Council (Continued)

Trustees are appointed by Council of the British Journal of Surgery Ltd for a period of five years. Some constituent bodies enjoy "Privileged Body" status and nominate one of their members to join Council. These include the Association of Surgeons of Great Britain and Ireland, the Society of Academic Research Surgeons (previously the Surgical Research Society), the Association of Surgeons of the Netherlands, the Spanish Society for Surgical Research, the Swedish Surgical Society and the Swiss Surgical Society. The byelaws were amended in 2009 to give the Society authority regarding Privileged Bodies. Members of a Privileged Body were elected for 4 years and this could be extended by the Privileged Body for a further 4 years if it so wished. The Society appointed members have tenure for a period of 5 years, with a possible extension of a further 5 years. One-third of members retire each year to be in keeping with Company Law. Officers are elected from among the Trustees (Council) for a period of 5 years, with a possible extension of 3 years. Trustees are provided with detailed information on their responsibilities as Trustees and Directors of the Society. Information on their specific responsibilities within the Society is provided on commencement of office and is reviewed annually. They are directed to the information available with the Charity Commission and Companies House and are informed of any changes in regulations. In 2012, Trustees were instructed on various issues, including the impact of the Bribery Act and Risk Guidance for smaller charities. A formal programme of continuing professional development will be delivered to the Trustees in 2013.

The information set out on page 1 forms part of this report.

### Management

The usual practice of the Society is to invite qualified persons to become members of the Society and all members of the Society are deemed to be members of the Editorial Board of the Society (and Journal). The Society meets once a year in London during November and a second meeting normally takes place in the Continent of Europe in June. An Annual General Meeting is held each year to coincide with the meeting of the Association of Surgeons of Great Britain and Ireland. 2013 is an exceptional year, marking the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the establishment of the Society and publication of the Journal. To mark the occasion, a stand-alone Annual General Meeting will take place in over 2 days June 2013 and will be held in Oxford. This meeting will celebrate the role of BJS Society and the Journal in the development of British and European surgery over a century of surgical endeavour. The meeting will also mark the start of the first of a series of strategic planning initiatives for the Society and the Journal to take account of changes in scientific publication brought about by the possibility of electronic only publication.

Council of the British Journal of Surgery Society Ltd appoints the editors and invites individuals who have either contributed to the Journal by providing high quality referees' reports, submitting manuscripts or who will assist the Society's strategic goals, to join the Editorial Board. The Council is aided in its business by the advice of an Executive Committee consisting of the Chairman, the Treasurer, the Company Secretary, the two Vice-Chairman and the two Editors-in-Chief of the Journal. On a day-to-day basis, the Executive Committee addresses issues arising and brings decisions as necessary to Council for discussion and ratification.

Council determines the investment strategy on a yearly basis and this decision is actioned by the Treasurer in conjunction with the investment adviser. The Executive is responsible for the day to day running of the Journal and ensures that the editors are supported appropriately by the publishers.

No trustee receives payment for his/her activities other than the reimbursement of appropriate travel and other related expenses. The Society is registered with the Charities Commission but is also registering with the Office of Charities Register in Scotland since the administrative office is based in Scotland. This application will be completed in June 2013.

### Related Parties

There are no related parties or partner organisations with which the Society cooperates in the pursuit of its charitable objectives other than its Privileged Bodies or surgical associations with whom the Society may endeavour to promote its aims and objectives.

### Risks and Reserves

The Risk Committee is chaired by the Vice-Chairman, Professor Givel, and includes the Treasurer and the Company Secretary. The Committee meets at least twice a year or more frequently if required. The Committee reviews the material risks faced by the Society. The Society employs no individual in the conventional sense and the administrative office is managed on a consultancy basis. The Society owns no property and the risks of misuse or misappropriation of funds are considered to be small. The Committee continues to keep the possible introduction of indemnity insurance under review. The Committee is of the view that the low risk to the Society, in relation to its meeting objectives, does not alone warrant the establishment of indemnity insurance. This situation will be again reviewed in 2013. The Society has maintained sufficient levels of reserves to mitigate against any perceived risks and continues to review any potential risks in relation to its activities. The Society has a policy of maintaining financial reserves at approximately 4-5 times annual income to mitigate against current changes in publishing from paper to electronic forms and other risks associated with the current economic situation.

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## Report of the Council (Continued)

Annual income to year-end 2012 was £407,998. The general unrestricted reserves at 31<sup>st</sup> December were £2,147,572 compared to £1,993,675 at the year ended 2011. This is consistent with our reserve policy and is considered to be prudent in the current financial environment. All Trustees have registered any conflict of interests and completed appropriate 'Fit and Proper Persons' documentation.

### Objectives and Activities

The objectives of the Society, as set out in the Memoranda of Association, are to advance and improve education in surgery and to diffuse knowledge on new and improved methods of teaching and practising surgery in all its branches. The principal means by which the Society addresses these aims is by successful publication monthly of the BJS (British Journal of Surgery), which is now the leading surgical journal published in Europe. The Journal has previously incorporated the titles 'the European Journal of Surgery' and 'Swiss Surgery'. The name of the Journal employed in the past has been "BJS – British Journal of Surgery incorporating the European Journal of Surgery and Swiss Surgery" but in 2012 the front cover title has condensed to 'BJS' to promote a more European brand.

The Society intends that the Journal will continue to extend its subscription base and the Society will explore relationships with key European surgical groups in addition to promoting its reputation outside Europe. To this end, during 2012, the Society has established a formal affiliated relationship with the Spanish Society for Surgical Research and negotiations have taken place with the European Federation of the International Society of Digestive Surgery. Negotiations also took place with the Association of Surgeons of the Netherlands concerning renewal of a five-year affiliate agreement. These negotiations have required strategic review of the Society's business model in view of the likely switch to electronic only publication within the lifetime of any renewed affiliate agreements. This strategic review will take place in early 2013 and will be presented to the Annual General Meeting in June 2013.

### Public Benefit

Through its affiliated surgical associations, the Society supports the advancement of surgical teaching, surgical research and the surgical community in general by providing research and editorial bursaries, invited lectureships, surgical prizes and general support of surgical meetings across Europe. The Society will consider additional financial support to promote excellence in surgical practice and, thereby, promote the British Journal of Surgery. All such funding requires approval of the full Council at its regular meetings.

The Trustees are cognisant of the Charity Commission's general guidance on Public Benefit when reviewing the aims and objectives of the BJS Society and in planning future activities. The activities of the Society have a clear public benefit by leading to improved understanding of the science of surgery and education of surgeons, thereby directly contributing to improvements in the craft of surgery including the introduction of new surgical techniques. These activities in turn lead to both direct and indirect improvements in the health and well being of the general public by improving surgical outcomes. This potential benefit applies to the citizens of the United Kingdom, Europe and beyond. Any benefits derived in the private sector are incidental to the general aims and objectives of the Society.

### Policies

**Reserves** The Society has aimed to maintain its reserves at approximately four to five times annual income to facilitate the Society capitalising on opportunities to meet its objectives. The Society has resolved to fund, annually, lectureships and prizes at the meetings of its affiliated societies and other relevant surgical associations to promote the Journal and its profile internationally. Editorial bursaries are awarded directly by the Society annually to promote surgical writing and editing. It has been resolved that the cost of these activities be met from income generated by the royalties agreed with the Journal's publishers.

**Grant Making** The outcome of grant awards over the last year is detailed in the Review of Activities, below and in Note 4.

**Investments** The strategy for prudent investment is determined on a discretionary basis by the Society's investment advisors and is presented in detail annually to Council. The Treasurer, in conjunction with the Executive, ensures that sufficient financial reserve is maintained to ensure that the Society is able to meet all of its financial commitments. The annual income of the Society is principally from royalties earned by the Journal, which have been maintained in this last year as a consequence of a slight increase in non-member subscriptions, despite a decrease in sales of journal reprints and advertising and no change in license fees from institutions. Expenses have been maintained in line with the previous year. The investment portfolio has maintained its value and dividend income has been preserved. The Treasurer and Trustees did not commit any further funds to equity investment in the last year. The Society continued to maintain approximately two-thirds of the general reserves in cash at the end of 2012. The Society has not suffered any loss in the overall reserves during 2012 despite the volatility of the price of equities. Unrestricted reserves stand at almost £1,864 million, an uplift of £94.4K over the past 12 months. The Trustees continue to keep the situation under review and have agreed with the Society's advisers to consider further investment to improve income generation.

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## Report of the Council (Continued)

The Trustees, aided by the financial advisers, are considering alternative income-generating investments. The Trustees consider the current exposure to equities to be modest and reasonable and unlikely to be subject to a loss, which will jeopardise the finances of the Society. In view of the value of the unrestricted reserves and the significant uplift of £94.4K over the last 12 months, the Trustees have agreed to approach Adam and Co PLC, Private Bankers, with a view to diversifying our portfolio and investing up to £400K of our current cash reserves. Advice will be sought as to the most appropriate investment products for the Society.

### **Achievements, Performance and Financial Review**

This last year has seen change in the membership of Council and the Executive. Professor Mortensen retired as Chairman and Mr Finlay as Treasurer and Professor Garden and Mr Wyatt were elected as Chairman and Treasurer respectively. Professor O'Connell was elected as Secretary in May 2011 and assumed office in 2012. Professor Legemate retired from Council due to the delay in the renewal of the ASN contract. Mr Hinchliffe was elected to Council as the SARS representative and Professor de Oca was nominated as the Spanish Surgical Society representative. The editorial responsibilities continue under the leadership of the Joint Editors-in-Chief, Professor D Alderson and Mr J J Earnshaw, with the assistance of editors Professor A Bergenfelz, Mr J Beynon, Professor CHC Dejong, Mr K Soreide and Professor D Winter.

The Society continues to maintain the quality and circulation of the journal and has continued to maintain reserves of 4-5 times annual income. The Society has maintained its support of lectureships at meetings worldwide, since this was seen to be an important mechanism for dissemination of new information to trained surgeons and therefore directly benefits patients. In 2012, the Journal had further increased its circulation and impact factor 4.606 as well as continued to support an increasing number of prestigious lectureships. Specifically, the Society has developed a relationship with the Journal of the American College of Surgeons to maintain its North American and international profile.

The BJS continues to be published in a timely fashion each month by the publishers, Wiley Blackwell. In 2012 a supplement on trauma surgery was published and was well received. In 2013 a further supplement on surgery for cancer will be published. The Editors introduced a number of new features in the Journal during 2012, including selected commentaries on scientific articles and a snapshot quiz – a series of questions based on a surgical image or radiograph. The BJS website has been updated and enhanced with selected audio 'podcasts' and video material being available. Social network access has been introduced through Facebook and Twitter capabilities. The Trustees and Editors will work closely with the Publishers and the affiliated bodies in 2013 to maximize the opportunities afforded by the electronic media.

The international profile of the British Journal of Surgery continues through its fellowships, awards, prizes and lectureships. These are listed in the Appendix. The Society has continued with its successful policy of awarding editorial apprenticeships to encourage younger surgeons to consider becoming involved in surgical editing and writing. Ms Christianne Buskens (The Netherlands) and Dr Joana Ferrer (Spain) commenced as editorial apprentices in August 2012 for one year. Meetings and workshops were also held during the year to assist interested surgeons in writing and reviewing manuscripts. The Society continues to fund a named lecture at the annual meeting of the European Surgical Association, the principal surgical academic forum in Europe. The Society has continued to foster its relationships with privileged bodies and affiliated associations, and to develop a strategy for developing educational material to complement the journal content.

The Society continues to enjoy a secure financial position as a result of the increasing circulation of the Journal in both paper and electronic form. Reserves continue to be set aside to ensure that funds are available to support the strategic development of the journal.

### **Lectureships/Prizes**

The better performance of the charity's investment portfolio coupled with the increase in investment income, in this financial year, allowed the Board to increase its grants/prizes and awards by £20,455 (to £127,211). This included a refund from the ASGBI of £33,495, in respect of an unused grant awarded a couple of years ago.

Awards were made in respect of those categories shown in Note 4 of the financial statements and as detailed in the Appendix.

# The British Journal of Surgery Society Limited

## Report of the Council (Continued)

### Future Plans

The BJS Society continues to work with Wiley-Blackwell to improve the quality of the Journal and increase its readership. It is also the aim of the Society to provide education to surgeons worldwide by extending the financial support for lectureships as this will improve the dissemination of information regarding "state of the art" techniques between surgeons and thereby benefiting patients. The Society will continue to look at opportunities to enter into strategic relationships with European surgical groups and to maintain its international profile by looking to support educational activities and international meetings. During 2012, the Society has established a formal affiliated relationship with the Spanish Society for Surgical Research and there have been detailed discussions around the renewal of the Association of Surgeons of the Netherlands (ASN). Discussions continue with the Journal of the American College of Surgeons to explore potential complimentary collaborations and the two journals will combine forces at a symposium in 2013 at the American College of Surgeons Annual Meeting to mark the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of both organisations. The Society has also agreed to support a BJS lectureship at the next meeting of the Society of University Surgeons in the United States. The centenary Annual General Meeting will take place in Oxford in June 2013. Further workshops on 'How to review a clinical paper' and 'What a good paper looks like' were run successfully in 2012. The Society will pursue further development of web-based products and support BJS workshops in the UK and Continental Europe during 2013.

### Statement of Trustee's Responsibilities

The Trustees (who are also directors of The British Journal of Surgery Society Limited for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year that give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees 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 material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements,
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

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

These accounts comply with current statutory requirements, the requirements of the Memorandum and Articles of Association and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice (2005) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities".

The Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

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## Report of the Council (Continued)

### Audit Information

In so far as the trustees are aware

- there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditor is unaware, and
- the Trustees have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditor is aware of that information

### Auditors

Kingston Smith LLP have indicated their willingness to continue in office and are deemed to be reappointed in accordance with section 487(2) of the Companies Act 2006

### Small Company Rules

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008)

This report was considered and approved by Council at its meeting on  
and signed on behalf of the Council by

22/6/2013



**Professor P R O'Connell**  
Honorary Secretary



# The British Journal of Surgery Society Limited

## Independent Auditors' Report to the Members

We have audited the financial statements of The British Journal of Surgery Society Limited for the year ended 31 December 2012 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities (the Summary Income and Expenditure Account), the Balance Sheet and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally accepted Accounting Practice)

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken for no purpose other than to draw to the attention of the charitable company's members those matters which we are required to include in an auditor's report addressed to them. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to any party other than the charitable company and charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

### Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Auditors

As explained more fully in the Trustees' Responsibilities Statement, the trustees' (who are also the directors of the charitable company 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.

Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

### Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the charitable company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed, the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the trustees, and the overall presentation of the financial statements.

### Opinion on the financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 December 2012 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 properly prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

### Opinion on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act

In our opinion the information given in the Trustees' Annual Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

### Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where 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
- certain disclosures of trustees' remunerations specified by law are not made, or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit
- the trustees were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemption in preparing the trustees' report.

  
**Neil Finlayson, Senior Statutory Auditor**  
for and on behalf of Kingston Smith LLP, Statutory Auditor

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London EC1M 7AD  
Date. 28/6/2013

**The British Journal of Surgery Society Limited**  
**Statement of Financial Activities**  
**(Incorporating the Summary Income and Expenditure Account)**  
**For the year ended 31st December 2012**

		Unrestricted Funds	
	Note	2012 £	2011 £
<b>Incoming Resources</b>			
<i>Incoming resources from generated funds</i>			
Investment income	2	28,944	20,673
<i>Incoming resources from charitable activities</i>			
Journal income		378,696	307,151
Subscriptions		358	40
<b>Total Incoming Resources</b>		<u>407,998</u>	<u>327,864</u>
<b>Resources Expended</b>			
<i>Costs of generating funds</i>			
Investment management costs		3,569	2,810
Other Costs of Generating Funds		-	3,936
<i>Charitable activities</i>	3	324,738	242,412
<i>Governance costs</i>	3	19,804	16,832
<b>Total Resources Expended</b>		<u>348,111</u>	<u>265,990</u>
<b>Net incoming resources for the year</b>		59,887	61,874
Realised gains / (losses) on investments	7	4,174	(1,259)
Net income for the year		64,061	60,615
Unrealised gains / (losses) on investments	7	89,836	(18,378)
<b>Net Movement in Funds</b>		153,897	42,237
Fund Balances Brought Forward at 1st January		<u>1,993,675</u>	<u>1,951,438</u>
<b>Fund Balances Carried Forward at 31st December</b>	12	<u><u>2,147,572</u></u>	<u><u>1,993,675</u></u>

All gains and losses arising in the year have been included in the Statement of Financial Activities and arise from continuing operations

The notes on pages 11 to 15 form part of these accounts

**The British Journal of Surgery Society Limited**  
**Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2012**

	Note	2012 £	2012 £	2011 £	2011 £
<b>Fixed Assets</b>					
Tangible assets	6		1		1
Investments	7		<u>1,149,749</u>		<u>914,997</u>
			1,149,750		914,998
<b>Current Assets</b>					
Debtors	9	43,495		3,858	
Cash at bank		<u>1,046,684</u>		<u>1,109,919</u>	
		1,090,179		1,113,777	
<b>Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year</b>	10	<u>(92,357)</u>		<u>(35,100)</u>	
<b>Net Current Assets</b>			<u>997,822</u>		<u>1,078,677</u>
<b>Total Assets less Current Liabilities</b>			<u><u>2,147,572</u></u>		<u><u>1,993,675</u></u>
 <b>Funds</b>					
Unrestricted - Revaluation reserve	12		378,855		275,891
- General fund	12		<u>1,768,717</u>		<u>1,717,784</u>
			<u><u>2,147,572</u></u>		<u><u>1,993,675</u></u>

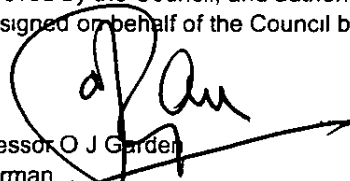
The notes on pages 11 to 15 form part of these accounts

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008)

Approved by the Council, and authorised for issue, on  
and signed on behalf of the Council by

*22 JUNE 2013*

Professor O J Garden  
Chairman



Mr MG Wyatt  
Honorary Treasurer



**COMPANY NUMBER: 1248899**

**The British Journal of Surgery Society Limited**  
**Notes to the Accounts**  
**For the year ended 31st December 2012**

**1 Accounting Policies**

**Accounting Convention**

The accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include the revaluation of fixed asset investments, and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities"(2005), the Companies Act 2006 and applicable accounting standards

**Incoming Resources**

Income is recognised in the period in which the charitable company is entitled to receipt and the amount can be measured with reasonable certainty. Income is deferred only when the charity has to fulfill conditions before becoming entitled to it or where the donor has specified that the income is to be expended in a future period

**Resources Expended**

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Wherever possible costs are directly attributed to these headings. Costs common to more than one area are apportioned on the basis of staff time spent on each area

The costs of generating funds are those costs of seeking potential funders and applying for funding and the costs of externally managing the charity's investment portfolio

Support costs are those costs incurred in support of the charitable objectives. These have been allocated to the charitable activities on a basis that fairly reflects the true use of those resource within the organisation

Governance costs are those incurred in the governance of the charity and are primarily associated with the constitutional and statutory requirements

**Tangible Fixed Assets**

All assets acquired for continuing use are capitalised

Tangible fixed assets are written off over the period of their expected useful lives on a straight line basis as follows

Office fixtures, fittings and equipment	15% per annum
Computer equipment	33 1/3% per annum

**Investments**

Income from investments is credited in the accounts on the date of receipt and credit is taken in the accounts for income tax recoverable but not received

In accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice, listed investments (which are dealt with on a recognised stock exchange) are included in the accounts at their mid market value whilst the valuation of unlisted investments is based on prices quoted by the managers of the investments

**2 Investment Income**

	2012	2011
	£	£
Income from listed investments	28,868	20,613
Bank deposit interest	76	60
	<u>28,944</u>	<u>20,673</u>

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**Notes to the Accounts**  
**For the year ended 31st December 2012 (Continued)**

**3 Resources Expended**

	Charitable Activities			Total 2012 £	Total 2011 £
	Charitable activities £	Grants and donations £	Governance costs £		
Grants and donations (See note 4)	-	127,211	-	127,211	106,756
Publication costs	48,019	-	-	48,019	-
Secretarial services (See note 5)	18,856	-	-	18,856	31,112
Office and sundry expenses	13,763	17,369	1,641	32,773	10,744
Meeting and travel expenses	86,803	-	-	86,803	82,180
Legal and professional fees	12,717	-	1,168	13,885	12,158
Audit fees - current year	-	-	6,825	6,825	6,500
Bookkeeping, payroll and VAT	-	-	10,170	10,170	9,794
	<u>180,158</u>	<u>144,580</u>	<u>19,804</u>	<u>344,542</u>	
31st December 2011	<u>129,962</u>	<u>112,450</u>	<u>16,832</u>		<u>259,244</u>

**4 Grants and Donations**

	2012 £	2011 £
Travel fellowships	20,100	8,000
Donations to the Association of Surgeons (see * below)	(10,591)	500
Moynihan Room grant	2,000	3,800
BJS lectures	109,578	81,749
BJS prizes	5,332	9,793
Isiqalo Foundation	-	2,514
Support costs	792	400
	<u>127,211</u>	<u>106,756</u>

\* Included in the donations to The Association of Surgeons is the return of a grant awarded to the organisation two years ago

Lecture and prize fees are paid to individuals

Support costs are apportioned costs attributable to the grants and donations activity

Payments made to connected parties during the year, were awarded to

	2012 £	2011 £
The Surgical Foundation		
Association of Surgeons of Great Britain and Ireland Foundation	9,509	10,100
Society of Academic and Research Surgery	3,000	4,300
	<u>12,509</u>	<u>14,400</u>

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<b>5 Staff Costs</b>		<b>2012</b>	<b>2011</b>
		£	£
Wages & Salaries		15,083	29,858
Redundancy costs		3,000	-
Social Security costs		773	1,254
		<u>18,856</u>	<u>31,112</u>
The average number of employees during the year		<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>

No employee earned more than £60,000 per annum (2011 - none)

<b>6 Tangible Fixed Assets</b>		<b>Computer</b>	<b>Office Fixtures, Fittings and Equipment</b>	<b>Total</b>
		£	£	£
<b>Cost</b>				
At 1st January 2012 and 31st December 2012		<u>38,017</u>	<u>8,554</u>	<u>46,571</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>				
At 1st January 2012 and 31st December 2012		<u>38,016</u>	<u>8,554</u>	<u>46,570</u>
<b>Net Book Value</b>				
At 31st December 2012		<u>1</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1</u>
At 31st December 2011		<u>1</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

<b>7 Investments</b>		<b>Listed</b>	<b>Unlisted</b>	<b>Total 2012</b>	<b>Total 2011</b>
		£	£	£	£
Market value 1st January		632,736	282,261	914,997	789,797
Additions at cost		193,612	-	193,612	170,220
Disposals at opening market value (proceeds £52,870, gain £4,174)		(48,696)	-	(48,696)	(26,642)
Net unrealised losses on revaluation at 31st December		<u>52,777</u>	<u>37,059</u>	<u>89,836</u>	<u>(18,378)</u>
Market value at 31st December		<u>830,429</u>	<u>319,320</u>	<u>1,149,749</u>	<u>914,997</u>
Historical cost at 31st December		<u>649,469</u>	<u>115,000</u>	<u>764,469</u>	<u>600,339</u>

**7a** The unlisted investments comprise

	<b>Market Value</b>	<b>Cost</b>
	£	£
Accumulation shares	251,458	80,000
Income shares	<u>67,862</u>	<u>35,000</u>

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<b>8</b>	<b>Reconciliation of Movements in Gains and Losses on Investment Assets</b>	<b>£</b>
	Unrealised gains at 1st January 2012	275,891
	Add in respect of disposals in year	13,128
	Add net gains on revaluations in year	<u>89,836</u>
	Unrealised gains at 31st December 2012	<u><u>378,855</u></u>

<b>9</b>	<b>Debtors</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2011</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
	Prepayments	10,000	300
	Taxes and Social Security	-	3,558
	Other Debtors	<u>33,495</u>	<u>-</u>
		<u><u>43,495</u></u>	<u><u>3,858</u></u>

<b>10</b>	<b>Creditors Amounts falling due within one year</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2011</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
	Accruals	7,857	7,500
	Grant creditors	70,351	27,600
	Subscriptions received in advance	344	-
	Taxes and Social Security	<u>13,805</u>	<u>-</u>
		<u><u>92,357</u></u>	<u><u>35,100</u></u>

**11 Trustees and Related Parties**

No trustees received any remuneration for their services. Expenses amounting to £27,071 (2011 - £22,497) were reimbursed for travel to meetings and conferences and for office expenses to 6 trustees (2011 - 5)

**12 Unrestricted Funds**

	At 01 01 2011	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended & Net Investment Losses	Transfers	At 31 12 2012
	£	£	£	£	£
Revaluation reserve	275,891	-	89,836	13,128	378,855
General funds	<u>1,717,784</u>	<u>407,998</u>	<u>(343,937)</u>	<u>(13,128)</u>	<u>1,768,717</u>
	<u><u>1,993,675</u></u>	<u><u>407,998</u></u>	<u><u>(254,101)</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>2,147,572</u></u>

The transfer represents the overall loss on disposal of investments including gains and losses previously taken to the revaluation reserve

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**13 Limited Liability**

The British Journal of Surgery Society Limited is a company limited by guarantee and as such does not have a share capital. In the event of a winding up the liability of each member is limited to £25.



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Organisation	Lecturer	Home
ASGBI	Professor A Silver, Santa Elena, Ecuadorian Spain	UK
BUS Travelling Fellowship Lecture Meyrick Prize		
John Fundenberg		USA
Surgical Foundation International Bursary		
Swedish Surgical Society	Dr V Kumar, India (2016)	
Harvard Medical School		
Association of Surgeons of Great Britain and Ireland	Professor Frances Sloan, USA, Singapore	
AUGS (UK) Digestive Disorders Foundation Course	Professor Rod Pollock, Australia, Austria	
Visceral Society		
British Association of Hyroid and Endocrine Surgeons	Dr G Parshian, Boston, USA	
Association of Laparoscopic Surgeons (ALASGBI)		
AUSA Annual Scientific Meeting	Professor L Swann, Oregon, USA	
BASO / AGS Meeting	Prof N Wolmark, Pittsburgh, USA	
Association of Breast Surgery	Professor Peter Michalek, USA	
Water Anniversary Meeting, Edinburgh	Professor David Jones, Newcastle, UK	
Society of Academic Research Surgery	Dr B Szlachetka, Toronto, Canada	
Swiss Society of Surgery	Dr George Soteropoulos, Sofia, Greece	
Association of Surgeons of the Netherlands	Dr A Kasper, Amsterdam, Netherlands	
Swedish Surgical Society	Professor T Popoff, Portland, USA	
Spanish Society for Surgical Research	Professor S Andriano, Milan, Italy	
European Society of Coloproctology	Professor F Pollock, Edinburgh, Scotland	
European Surgical Association	Professor J Whitson, Auckland, New Zealand	
German Society of Surgery (Deutscher Chirurgischer Verein) / German Society of General and Visceral Surgery (DGAV)	Mr M Wolf, Bochum, USA	
Royal Australasian College of Surgeons		
University of Edinburgh MSc in Surgical Sciences Association		
Enhanced Recovery after Surgery Society (ERASS)		
Hugh O'Duffy Inaugural Lecture	Prof F Kehlet, Copenhagen, Denmark	
Association of Surgeons in Training 2017	Professor Rounafin, Abu Dhabi, Uls	
James IV Association 2017	Professor P Gandy, Liverpool, UK	
West Midlands Research Collaborative		