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**EDINBURGH BOOKSELLERS' SOCIETY LIMITED**  
(A company limited by guarantee)

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**UNAUDITED**  
**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020**



**EDINBURGH BOOKSELLERS' SOCIETY LIMITED**  
**(A company limited by guarantee) REGISTERED NUMBER: SC000879**

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2020**

	Note	2020 £	2019 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Investments	5	11,639,115	13,500,767
		<u>11,639,115</u>	<u>13,500,767</u>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year	6	-	206
Cash at bank and in hand	7	23,978	30,643
		<u>23,978</u>	<u>30,849</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	(20,881)	(19,699)
		<u>3,097</u>	<u>11,150</u>
<b>Net current assets</b>			
		<u>11,642,212</u>	<u>13,511,917</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			
<b>Provisions for liabilities</b>			
Deferred tax	9	(324,859)	(578,030)
		<u>(324,85)</u>	<u>(578,030)</u>
<b>Net assets</b>		<u><u>11,317,353</u></u>	<u><u>12,933,887</u></u>
<b>Capital and reserves</b>			
Profit and loss account		<u>11,317,353</u>	<u>12,933,887</u>
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The directors consider that the Company is entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 and members have not required the Company to obtain an audit for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

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**BALANCE SHEET (CONTINUED)**  
**AS AT 31 MARCH 2020**

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The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime and in accordance with the provisions of FRS 102 Section 1A - small entities.

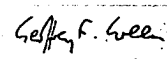
The financial statements have been delivered in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The Company has opted not to file the statement of comprehensive income in accordance with provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board and were signed on its behalf on 23 June 2020



**W K Campbell**  
Director



**G F Green**  
Director

The notes on pages 3 to 8 form part of these financial statements.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
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**1. General information**

Edinburgh Booksellers' Society Limited is a company limited by guarantee incorporated in Scotland. Its registered office is 7 Exchange Crescent, Conference Square, Edinburgh, EH3 8AN.

**2. Accounting policies**

**2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention unless otherwise specified within these accounting policies and in accordance with Section 1A of Financial Reporting Standard 102, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland and the Companies Act 2006.

The following principal accounting policies have been applied:

**2.2 Income from investments**

Investment income comprises dividends receivable during the accounting period on listed and unlisted investments and gross interest receivable. Investment income is recognised when receivable.

**2.3 Interest income**

Interest income is recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income using the effective interest method.

**2.4 Annuities**

An actuarial review of the funds of the Society is carried out every three years and the actuary makes recommendations on changes to the amounts of annuities to be paid to members qualifying by reason of age and to widows of members. Annuities are payable half yearly in advance on 15 April and 15 October.

**2.5 Valuation of investments**

Investments in listed company shares are remeasured to market close at the valuation date. All realised and unrealised gains and losses on remeasurement are recognised in profit or loss for the period.

All realised and unrealised gains and losses on investments are recognised as net capital gains/(losses) in the Statement of Comprehensive Income. Unrealised gains and losses comprise changes in the fair value of investments for the period and from reversal of prior period's unrealised gains and losses for investments which were realised in the accounting year. Realised gains and losses represent the difference between an instruments' initial carrying amount and disposal amount.

A proportion of brokers' fees are included in the calculation of realised gains or losses on the disposal of investments.

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**2. Accounting policies (continued)**

**2.6 Financial instruments**

The Company only enters into basic financial instrument transactions that result in the recognition of financial assets and liabilities like trade and other debtors and creditors, loans from banks and other third parties, loans to related parties and investments in ordinary shares.

Investments in non-derivative instruments that are equity to the issuer are measured:

- at fair value with changes recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income if the shares are publicly traded or their fair value can otherwise be measured reliably;
- at cost less impairment for all other investments.

**2.7 Debtors**

Short term debtors are measured at transaction price, less any impairment. Loans receivable are measured initially at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are measured subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment.

**2.8 Creditors**

Short term creditors are measured at the transaction price. Other financial liabilities, including bank loans, are measured initially at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are measured subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

**2.9 Provisions for liabilities**

Provisions are made where an event has taken place that gives the Company a legal or constructive obligation that probably requires settlement by a transfer of economic benefit, and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

Provisions are charged as an expense to the Statement of Comprehensive Income in the year that the Company becomes aware of the obligation, and are measured at the best estimate at the Balance sheet date of the expenditure required to settle the obligation, taking into account relevant risks and uncertainties.

When payments are eventually made, they are charged to the provision carried in the Balance sheet.

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**2. Accounting policies (continued)**

**2.10 Current and deferred taxation**

The tax expense for the year comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income, except that a charge attributable to an item of income and expense recognised as other comprehensive income or to an item recognised directly in equity is also recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity respectively.

The current income tax charge is calculated on the basis of tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date in the countries where the Company operates and generates income.

Deferred tax balances are recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed by the Balance sheet date, except that:

- The recognition of deferred tax assets is limited to the extent that it is probable that they will be recovered against the reversal of deferred tax liabilities or other future taxable profits; and
- Any deferred tax balances are reversed if and when all conditions for retaining associated tax allowances have been met.

Deferred tax balances are not recognised in respect of permanent differences except in respect of business combinations, when deferred tax is recognised on the differences between the fair values of assets acquired and the future tax deductions available for them and the differences between the fair values of liabilities acquired and the amount that will be assessed for tax. Deferred tax is determined using tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

**3. Investment income**

Investment income comprises dividend income.

**4. Other operating income**

	2020 £	2019 £
Members' subscriptions	1,125	1,125
	<u>1,125</u>	<u>1,125</u>

**5. Employees**

The average monthly number of employees, including directors, during the year was 0 (2019 - 0).

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**6. Fixed asset investments**

	Listed investments £	Cash held £	Total £
<b>Cost or valuation</b>			
At 1 April 2019	12,752,328	748,439	13,500,767
Additions	3,221,400	-	3,221,400
Disposals	(2,258,741)	-	(2,258,741)
Revaluations	(2,247,246)	-	(2,247,246)
Movement in cash	-	(577,065)	(577,065)
At 31 March 2020	<u>11,467,741</u>	<u>171,374</u>	<u>11,639,115</u>

Listed investments are included at market value. The original cost of these investments was £9,820,870 (2019: £8,789,614).

The cash of £171,374 at 31 March 2020 (2019: £748,439) is committed for re-investment.

In addition, the Society owns a painting which is not included above, but which has been valued by the directors for insurance purposes at £50,000 (2019: £50,000).

**7. Debtors**

	2020 £	2019 £
Prepayments and accrued income	-	206
	<u>-</u>	<u>206</u>

**8. Cash and cash equivalents**

	2020 £	2019 £
Cash at bank and in hand	23,978	30,643
	<u>23,978</u>	<u>30,643</u>

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**9. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year**

	2020 £	2019 £
Other taxation and social security	1,569	1,039
Other creditors	19,312	18,660
	<u>20,881</u>	<u>19,699</u>

**10. Deferred taxation**

	2020 £	2019 £
At beginning of year	578,030	533,550
Charged/(credited) to profit or loss	(253,171)	44,480
<b>At end of year</b>	<u>324,859</u>	<u>578,030</u>

The provision for deferred taxation is made up as follows:

	2020 £	2019 £
Deferred tax on share portfolio	324,859	578,030
	<u>324,859</u>	<u>578,030</u>

**11. Company status**

The company is a private company limited by guarantee and consequently does not have share capital. The amount to be guaranteed by each member of the society in the event of its being wound up while he is a member, or within one year thereafter, is £10.

**12. Prior year adjustment**

The 2019 figures in the statement of comprehensive income have been restated to give a better understanding of the various investment movements. There is no change to the net profit for the year ended 31 March 2019.



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**13. Related party transactions**

The officers of the Society are also members, and those officers over retirement age who received annuities under the Society's rules during their period of appointment were as follows:

	2020 £	2019 £
W K Campbell	20,192	19,998
G F Green	20,192	19,998
P M MacKenzie	10,071	19,998
E A Strong	20,192	19,998
	<u>70,647</u>	<u>79,992</u>

Two of the directors, G F Green and G S Waterston, received honoraria for their work as Treasurer and Secretary of £10,000 and £6,500 respectively (2019 - £9,500 and £6,250). They were also reimbursed expenses of £280 and £112 respectively (2019: £275 and £15).