# Financial Statements Edinburgh Booksellers' Society Limited

For the Year Ended 31 March 2018

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## Company Information

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# Directors' Report

For the Year Ended 31 March 2018

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2018.

#### **Directors**

The directors who served during the year were:

W K Campbell

G F Green

P M Mackenzie

E A Strong

G F Green Director

G S Waterston

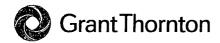
#### Small companies note

In preparing this report, the directors have taken advantage of the small companies exemptions provided by section 415A of the Companies Act 2006.

This report was approved by the board on

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and signed on its behalf.



# Report to the directors on the preparation of the unaudited statutory financial statements of Edinburgh Booksellers' Society Limited for the year ended 31 March 2018

We have compiled the accompanying financial statements of Edinburgh Booksellers' Society Limited based on the information you have provided. These financial statements comprise the Balance Sheet of Edinburgh Booksellers' Society Limited as at 31 March 2018, the Statement of Comprehensive Income for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

This report is made solely to the Board of Directors of Edinburgh Booksellers' Society Limited, as a body, in accordance with the terms of our engagement letter dated 25 June 2015. Our work has been undertaken solely to prepare for your approval the financial statements of Edinburgh Booksellers' Society Limited and state those matters that we have agreed to state to the Board of Directors of Edinburgh Booksellers' Society Limited, as a body, in this report in accordance with our engagement letter dated 25 June 2015. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than Edinburgh Booksellers' Society Limited and its Board of Directors, as a body, for our work or for this report.

We performed this compilation engagement in accordance with International Standard on Related Services 4410 (Revised), Compilation Engagements.

We have applied our expertise in accounting and financial reporting to assist you in the preparation and presentation of these financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice). As a member firm of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, we are subject to its ethical and other professional requirements which are detailed at www.icaew.com.

These financial statements and the accuracy and completeness of the information used to compile them are your responsibility.

Since a compilation engagement is not an assurance engagement, we are not required to verify the accuracy or completeness of the information you provided to us to compile these financial statements. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or a review conclusion on whether these financial statements are prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

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Chartered Accountants

Date: 3 JULY 2018

# Statement of Comprehensive Income For the Year Ended 31 March 2018

	Note	2018 £	2017 £
Investment income		212,550	2,274,719
Annuities		(361,510)	(358,527)
Gross (loss)/profit	•	(148,960)	1,916,192
Administrative expenses		(37,799)	(28,983)
Other operating income	4	4,578	2,475
Operating (loss)/profit	•	(182,181)	1,889,684
Interest receivable and similar income		12	215
(Loss)/profit before tax		(182,169)	1,889,899
Tax on (loss)/profit		158,158	(204,562)
(Loss)/profit for the financial year	<del>-</del>	(24,011)	1,685,337

There were no recognised gains and losses for 2018 or 2017 other than those included in the statement of comprehensive income.

The notes on pages 5 to 10 form part of these financial statements.

#### **Edinburgh Booksellers' Society Limited** (A company limited by guarantee) Registered number: SC000879

#### Balance Sheet As at 31 March 2018

	Note		2018 £		2017 £
Fixed assets				•	
Investments	6		12,950,918		13,212,643
			12,950,918		13,212,643
Current assets					
Cash at bank and in hand	7	21,720		8,584	
	•	21,720		8,584	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	(59,042)		(87,258)	
Net current liabilities	•		(37,322)	<del></del>	(78,674)
Total assets less current liabilities		•	12,913,596	-	13,133,969
Provisions for liabilities			:		
Deferred tax	9	(533,550)	į :	(729,912)	
	_		(533,550)		(729,912)
Net assets		•	12,380,046	-	12,404,057
Capital and reserves				:	
Profit and loss account			12,380,046		12,404,057
		-	12,380,046	-	12,404,057
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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.

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 were approved and authorised for issue by the board and were signed on its behalf on July 2018 GF Green
Director

E A Strong

Director

The notes on pages 5 to 10 form part of these financial statements

#### Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 31 March 2018

#### 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. Also included are realised and unrealised gains/losses on investments.

#### 2.3 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 Total Return. 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.

#### 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.

#### Notes to the Financial Statements

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#### 2. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 2.5 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 non-puttable ordinary shares.

Investments in non-convertible preference shares and in non-puttable ordinary and preference shares 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.

#### 2.6 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.

#### 2.7 Interest income

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

#### 2.8 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.

#### Notes to the Financial Statements

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#### 2. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 2.9 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. Turnover

Turnover includes a change in fair value of  $\pounds(239,641)$  (2017: £1,815,298) which comprises realised gains of £738,772 (2017: £234,617) and unrealised losses of £941,499 (2017: unrealised gains £1,600,694). The realised gains and losses represent the difference between an investments' initial carrying amount and disposal proceeds less a proportion of brokers' fees.

Also included in turnover is dividend income and bank interest receivable.

#### 4. Other operating income

	2010	2017
	£	£
Members' subscriptions	4,578	2,475
	4,578	2,475

#### 5. Employees

The average monthly number of employees, including directors, during the year was nil (2017 - nil).

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#### Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 31 March 2018

#### 6. Fixed asset investments

			Listed investments	Cash held	Total £
Cost or valuation					
At 1 April 2017		•	12,913,758	298,885	13,212,643
Additions			2,455,501	-	2,455,501
Disposals at cost			(2,046,411)	-	(2,046,411)
Unrealised losses			(941,499)	-	(941,499)
Movement in cash				270,684	270,684
At 31 March 2018	:		12,381,349	569,569	12,950,918
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Net book value					
At 31 March 2018	:		12,381,349	569,569	12,950,918
At 31 March 2017			12,913,758	298,885	13,212,643

Listed investments are included at market value. The original cost of these investments was £8,574,050 (2017: £8,187,288).

The cash of £569,569 at 31 March 2018 (2017: £298,885) 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 £40,000 (2017: £40,000).

#### 7. Cash and cash equivalents

	2018 £	2017 £
Cash at bank and in hand	21,720	8,584
	21,720	8,584

# Notes to the Financial Statements

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#### 8. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

			2018 £	2017 £
	Corporation tax		38,201	76,958
	Other taxation and social security		715	70,730
	Other creditors		20,126	10,300
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			59,042	87,258
9.	Deferred taxation			•
			2018	2017
		!	£	£
	At beginning of year		729,912	602,308
	Charged/(credited) to profit or loss		(196,362)	127,604
	At end of year		533,550	729,912
	The provision for deferred taxation is made up as follows:			
			2018	2017
			£	£
	Deferred tax on share portfolio		533,550	729,912
-			533,550	729,912
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#### 10. 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.

#### Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 31 March 2018

#### 11. 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:

	2018	2017
	£	£
W K Campbell	19,175	9,220
G F Green	19,175	18,409
P M MacKenzie	19,175	18,409
E A Strong	19,175	18,409
	76,700	64,447

Two of the directors, G F Green and G S Waterston, received honoraria for their work as Treausrer and Secretary of £8,500 and £6,250 respectively (2017 - £7,500 and £6,250). They were also reimbursed expenses of £254 and £nil respectively (2017: £159 and £78).