

Form AR21

Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992

Annual Return for a Trade Union

Name of Trade Union:

Voice

Year ended:

9 months to 30 September 2020

List no:

265T

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Has the address changed during the year to which the return relates?

Yes

No

X

('X' in appropriate box)

General Secretary:

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Return of Members

(see notes 10 and 11)

	Number of members at the end of the year				
	Great Britain	Northern Ireland	Irish Republic	Elsewhere Abroad (including Channel Islands)	Totals
Male	3,644	47		2	3,693
Female	15,854	155		9	16,018
Other					
Total	19,498	202		11	A 19,711

Number of members at end of year contributing to the General Fund

10,580

Number of members included in totals box 'A' above for whom no home or authorised address is held:

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Change of Officers

Please complete the following to record any changes of officers during the twelve months covered by this return

Position Held	Name of Officer ceasing to hold Office	Name of Officer Appointed	Date of change
President	Melynda Standing	Joy Rowley	20 June 2020
Vice President	Joy Rowley	Christopher Wilson	20 June 2020
Past President	Christopher Wilson	Melynda Standing	20 June 2020

State whether the union is:

a. A branch of another trade union?

Yes

No

If yes, state the name of that other union:

b. A federation of trade unions?

Yes

No

If yes, state the number of affiliated unions:

and names:

Officers in post

(see note 12)

Please complete list of all officers in post at the end of the year to which this return relates.

Name of Officer	Position held
Joy Rowley	President
Christopher Wilson	Vice President
Melynda Standing	Past President
Yvonne Johns	Honorary Secretary
Margaret Volpe	Honorary Treasurer



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National Officers in post at 30 September 2020

Post	Holder
National President	Mrs Joy Rowley
National Vice-President	Rev Christopher Wilson
Immediate Past President	Mrs Melynda Standring
Honorary Secretary	Mrs Yvonne Johns
Honorary Treasurer	Mrs Margaret Volpé
General Secretary	Ms Deborah Lawson

General Fund

(see notes 13 to 18)

	£	£
Income		
From Members: Contributions and Subscriptions		1,224,781
From Members: Other income from members (specify)		
Total other income from members		
Total of all income from members		1,224,781
Investment income (as at page 12)		
Other Income		
Income from Federations and other bodies (as at page 4)		
Income from any other sources (as at page 4)	5,397	
Total of other income (as at page 4)		5,397
		1,230,178
	Total income	
	Interfund Transfers IN	
Expenditure		
Benefits to members (as at page 5)		107,356
Administrative expenses (as at page 10)		942,706
Federation and other bodies (specify)		
Total expenditure Federation and other bodies		
Taxation		
	Total expenditure	1,050,062
	Interfund Transfers OUT	
	Surplus (deficit) for year	180,116
Amount of general fund at beginning of year		649,837
Amount of general fund at end of year		829,953

Analysis of income from federation and other bodies and other income

(see notes 19 and 20)

Description	£
Federation and other bodies	
Total federation and other bodies	
Any Other Sources	
Settlement Agreements	5,300
Sundry income	97
Total other sources	5,397
Total of all other income	5,397

Analysis of benefit expenditure shown at the General Fund

(see notes 21 to 23)

			£
Representation – Employment Related Issues	58,211	brought forward Advisory Services	107,356
Representation – Non Employment Related Issues		Other Cash Payments	
		Education and Training services	
Communications	49,145	Negotiated Discount Services	
Dispute Benefits		Other Benefits and Grants (specify)	
carried forward	107,356	Total (should agree with figure in General Fund)	107,356

(See notes 21 and 23)

Fund 2		Fund Account	
Name:		£	£
Income	From members		
	Investment income (as at page 12)		
	Other income (specify)		
	Total other income as specified		
	Total Income		
	Interfund Transfers IN		
Expenditure	Benefits to members		
	Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page 10)		
	Total Expenditure		
	Interfund Transfers OUT		
	Surplus (Deficit) for the year		
	Amount of fund at beginning of year		
	Amount of fund at the end of year (as Balance Sheet)		
	Number of members contributing at end of year		

Fund 3		Fund Account	
Name:		£	£
Income	From members		
	Investment income (as at page 12)		
	Other income (specify)		
	Total other income as specified		
	Total Income		
	Interfund Transfers IN		
Expenditure	Benefits to members		
	Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page 10)		
	Total Expenditure		
	Interfund Transfers OUT		
	Surplus (Deficit) for the year		
	Amount of fund at beginning of year		
	Amount of fund at the end of year (as Balance Sheet)		
	Number of members contributing at end of year		

(See notes 21 and 23)

Fund 4		Fund Account	
Name:		£	£
Income	From members		
	Investment income (as at page 12)		
	Other income (specify)		
	Total other income as specified		
	Total Income		
	Interfund Transfers IN		
Expenditure	Benefits to members		
	Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page 10)		
	Total Expenditure		
	Interfund Transfers OUT		
	Surplus (Deficit) for the year		
	Amount of fund at beginning of year		
	Amount of fund at the end of year (as Balance Sheet)		
	Number of members contributing at end of year		

Fund 5		Fund Account	
Name:		£	£
Income	From members		
	Investment income (as at page 12)		
	Other income (specify)		
	Total other income as specified		
	Total Income		
	Interfund Transfers IN		
Expenditure	Benefits to members		
	Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page 10)		
	Total Expenditure		
	Interfund Transfers OUT		
	Surplus (Deficit) for the year		
	Amount of fund at beginning of year		
	Amount of fund at the end of year (as Balance Sheet)		
	Number of members contributing at end of year		

(See notes 21 and 23)

Fund 6		Fund Account		
Name:		£	£	
Income	From members			
	Investment income (as at page 12)			
	Other income (specify)			
		Total other income as specified		
		Total Income		
		Interfund Transfers IN		
Expenditure	Benefits to members			
	Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page 10)			
			Total Expenditure	
			Interfund Transfers OUT	
		Surplus (Deficit) for the year		
		Amount of fund at beginning of year		
		Amount of fund at the end of year (as Balance Sheet)		
		Number of members contributing at end of year		

Fund 7		Fund Account		
Name:		£	£	
Income	From members			
	Investment income (as at page 12)			
	Other income (specify)			
		Total other income as specified		
		Total Income		
		Interfund Transfers IN		
Expenditure	Benefits to members			
	Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page 10)			
			Total Expenditure	
			Interfund Transfers OUT	
		Surplus (Deficit) for the year		
		Amount of fund at beginning of year		
		Amount of fund at the end of year (as Balance Sheet)		
		Number of members contributing at end of year		

Political fund account

(see notes 24 to 33)

£

£

Political fund account 1		To be completed by trade unions which maintain their own political fund	
	Income	Members contributions and levies	
		Investment income (as at page 12)	
Other income (specify)			
		Total other income as specified	
		Total income	
Expenditure under section (82) of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 on purposes set out in section (72) (1) where consolidation of expenditures from the political funds exceeds £2,000 during the period			
	Expenditure A (as at page i)		
	Expenditure B (as at page ii)		
	Expenditure C (as at page iii)		
	Expenditure D (as at page iv)		
	Expenditure E (as at page v)		
	Expenditure F (as at page vi)		
	Non-political expenditure (as at page vii)		
		Total expenditure	
		Surplus (deficit) for year	
		Amount of political fund at beginning of year	
		Amount of political fund at the end of year (as <u>Balance Sheet</u>)	
		Number of members at end of year contributing to the political fund	
		Number of members at end of the year not contributing to the political fund	
		Number of members at end of year who have completed an exemption notice and do not contribute to the political fund	
Political fund account 2		To be completed by trade unions which act as components of a central trade union	
Income	Contributions and levies collected from members on behalf of central political fund		
	Funds received back from central political fund		
	Other income (specify)		
		Total other income as specified	
		Total income	
Expenditure	Expenditure under section 82 of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 (specify)		
	Administration expenses in connection with political objects(specify)		
	Non-political expenditure		
		Total expenditure	
		Surplus (deficit) for year	
		Amount held on behalf of trade union political fund at beginning of year	
		Amount remitted to central political	
		Amount held on behalf of central political fund at end of year	
		Number of members at end of year contributing to the political fund	
		Number of members at end of the year not contributing to the political fund	
		Number of members at end of year who have completed an exemption notice and do not therefore contribute to the political fund	

Political fund account expenditure (d)

Expenditure under section 72 (1) (a) of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (consolidation) Act.

To be completed where total expenditure from the political fund exceeds £2,000 during the period to which return relates.

Expenditure on the maintenance of any holder of political office	
Name of office holder	£
Total	

Political fund account expenditure (e)

Expenditure under section 72 (1) (a) of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (consolidation) Act.

To be completed where total expenditure from the political fund exceeds £2,000 during the period to which return relates.

The expenditure of money on the holding of any conference or meeting by or on behalf of a political party or of any other meeting the main purpose of which is the transaction of business in connection with a political party

Name of political party	£
Total	

**Expenditure from the political fund not falling within section 72 (1) of the trade union & labour relations
(consolidation) act 1992**

For expenditure not falling within section 72 (1) the required information is-

(a) the nature of each cause or campaign for which money was expended, and the total amount expended in relation to each one	£

Total expenditure

(b) the name of each organisation to which money was paid (otherwise than for a particular cause of campaign), and the total amount paid to each one

£

Total expenditure

(c) the total amount of all other money expended

£

Total expenditure

Total of all expenditures

Analysis of administrative expenses and other outgoings excluding amounts charged to political fund accounts

(see notes 34 and 35)

		£
Administrative Expenses		
Remuneration and expenses of staff		723,634
Salaries and Wages included in above	646,234	
Auditors' fees		14,618
Legal and Professional fees		29,771
Occupancy costs		116,987
Stationery, printing, postage, telephone, etc.		38,815
Expenses of Executive Committee (Head Office)		1,226
Expenses of conferences		
Other administrative expenses (specify)		
Volunteers		2,029
Bank charges		6,971
Other Outgoings		
Depreciation		8,655
Outgoings on land and buildings (specify)		
Other outgoings (specify)		
tretert		
Total		942,706
Charged to:	General Fund (Page 3)	942,706
Total		942,706

Analysis of officials' salaries and benefits

(see notes 36 to 46 below)

Office held	Gross Salary £	Employers N.I. contributions £	Benefits		Total £	
			Pension Contributions £	Other Benefits		
				Description		Value £
General Secretary	54,234	6,580	3,257		64,071	

Analysis of investment income

(see notes 47 and 48)

	Political Fund £		Other Fund(s) £
Rent from land and buildings			
Dividends (gross) from:			
Equities (e.g. shares)			
Interest (gross) from:			
Government securities (Gilts)			
Mortgages			
Local Authority Bonds			
Bank and Building Societies			
Other investment income (specify)			
		Total investment income	
		Credited to:	
		General Fund (Page 3)	
		Political Fund	
		Total Investment Funds	

Balance sheet as at

30 September 2020

(see notes 49 to 52)

Previous Year		£	£
	Fixed Assets (at page 14)		762,473
	Investments (as per analysis on page 15)		
	Quoted (Market value £ ()		
	Unquoted		
	Total Investments		
	Other Assets		
	Loans to other trade unions		
	Sundry debtors		55,998
	Cash at bank and in hand		183,738
	Income tax to be recovered		
	Stocks of goods		
	Others (specify)		
	Total of other assets		239,736
	Total assets		1,002,209
649,837	General fund (page 3)		829,953
	Political Fund Account		
	Liabilities		
	Amount held on behalf of central trade union political fund		
	Loan from other trade union		44,444
	Sundry creditors		16,468
	Accrued expenses		66,805
	Other liabilities		44,539
	Total liabilities		172,256
	Total assets		1,002,209

Fixed assets account

(see notes 53 to 57)

	Land and Buildings		Furniture and Equipment £	Motor Vehicles £	Not used for union business £	Total £
	Freehold £	Leasehold £				
Cost or Valuation						
At start of year	1,000,000		799,753			1,799,753
Additions			2,137			2,137
Disposals						
Revaluation/Transfers						
At end of year	1,000,000		801,890			1,801,890
Accumulated Depreciation						
At start of year	240,449		790,313			1,030,762
Charges for year	6,557		2,098			8,655
Disposals						
Revaluation/Transfers						
At end of year	247,006		792,411			1,039,417
Net book value at end of year						
Net book value at end of year	752,994		9,479			762,473
Net book value at end of previous year						
Net book value at end of previous year	759,551		9,440			768,991

Analysis of investments

(see notes 58 and 59)

Quoted	All Funds Except Political Funds £	Political Fund £
Equities (e.g. Shares)		
Government Securities (Gilts)		
Other quoted securities (to be specified)		
Total quoted (as Balance Sheet) Market Value of Quoted Investment		
Unquoted		
Equities		
Government Securities (Gilts)		
Mortgages		
Bank and Building Societies		
Other unquoted investments (to be specified)		
Total unquoted (as Balance Sheet) Market Value of Unquoted Investments		

Analysis of investment income (controlling interests)

(see notes 60 and 61)

Does the union, or any constituent part of the union, have a controlling interest in any limited company?

Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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If YES name the relevant companies:

Company name	Company registration number (if not registered in England & Wales, state where registered)

Are the shares which are controlled by the union registered in the names of the union's trustees?

Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
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If NO, state the names of the persons in whom the shares controlled by the union are registered.

Company name	Names of shareholders

Summary sheet

(see notes 62 to 73)

	All funds except Political Funds £	Political Funds £	Total Funds £
Income			
From Members	1,224,781		1,224,781
From Investments			
Other Income (including increases by revaluation of assets)	5,397		5,397
Total Income	1,230,178		1,230,178
Expenditure (including decreases by revaluation of assets)			
Total Expenditure	1,050,062		1,050,062
Funds at beginning of year (including reserves)	649,837		649,837
Funds at end of year (including reserves)	829,953		829,953
Assets			
Fixed Assets			762,473
Investment Assets			
Other Assets			239,736
		Total Assets	1,002,209
Liabilities		Total Liabilities	172,256
Net Assets (Total Assets less Total Liabilities)			829,953

(see notes 74 to 80)

Did the union hold any ballots in respect of industrial action during the return period?	No
If Yes How many ballots were held: <input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>	
For each ballot held please complete the information below:	
Ballot 1	
Number of individual who were entitled to vote in the ballot	<input style="width: 60px;" type="text"/>
Number of votes cast in the ballot	<input style="width: 60px;" type="text"/>
Number of Individuals answering "Yes" to the question	<input style="width: 60px;" type="text"/> 1
Number of individuals answering "No" to the question	<input style="width: 60px;" type="text"/> 2
Number of invalid or otherwise spoiled voting papers returned	<input style="width: 60px;" type="text"/> 3
1-3 should total "Number of votes cast"	
Were the number of votes cast in the ballot at least 50% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot	<input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>
Does section 226(2B) of the 1992 Act apply in relation to this ballot (see notes 76-80)?	<input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>
If yes, were the number of individuals answering "Yes" to the question (or each question) at least 40% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot	
<input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>	
Ballot 2	
Number of individual who were entitled to vote in the ballot	<input style="width: 60px;" type="text"/>
Number of votes cast in the ballot	<input style="width: 60px;" type="text"/>
Number of Individuals answering "Yes" to the question	<input style="width: 60px;" type="text"/> 1
Number of individuals answering "No" to the question	<input style="width: 60px;" type="text"/> 2
Number of invalid or otherwise spoiled voting papers returned	<input style="width: 60px;" type="text"/> 3
1-3 should total "Number of votes cast"	
Were the number of votes cast in the ballot at least 50% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot	<input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>
Does section 226(2B) of the 1992 Act apply in relation to this ballot (see notes 76-80)?	<input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>
If yes, were the number of individuals answering "Yes" to the question (or each question) at least 40% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot	
<input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>	
Ballot 3	
Number of individual who were entitled to vote in the ballot	<input style="width: 60px;" type="text"/>
Number of votes cast in the ballot	<input style="width: 60px;" type="text"/>
Number of Individuals answering "Yes" to the question	<input style="width: 60px;" type="text"/> 1
Number of individuals answering "No" to the question	<input style="width: 60px;" type="text"/> 2
Number of invalid or otherwise spoiled voting papers returned	<input style="width: 60px;" type="text"/> 3
1-3 should total "Number of votes cast"	
Were the number of votes cast in the ballot at least 50% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot	<input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>
Does section 226(2B) of the 1992 Act apply in relation to this ballot (see notes 76-80)?	<input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>
If yes, were the number of individuals answering "Yes" to the question (or each question) at least 40% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot	
<input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/>	

Ballot 4

Number of individual who were entitled to vote in the ballot

Number of votes cast in the ballot

Number of Individuals answering "Yes" to the question 1

Number of individuals answering "No" to the question 2

Number of invalid or otherwise spoiled voting papers returned 3

1-3 should total "Number of votes cast"

Were the number of votes cast in the ballot at least 50% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot

Does section 226(2B) of the 1992 Act apply in relation to this ballot (see notes 76-80)?

If yes, were the number of individuals answering "Yes" to the question (or each question) at least 40% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot

Ballot 5

Number of individual who were entitled to vote in the ballot

Number of votes cast in the ballot

Number of Individuals answering "Yes" to the question 1

Number of individuals answering "No" to the question 2

Number of invalid or otherwise spoiled voting papers returned 3

1-3 should total "Number of votes cast"

Were the number of votes cast in the ballot at least 50% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot

Does section 226(2B) of the 1992 Act apply in relation to this ballot (see notes 76-80)?

If yes, were the number of individuals answering "Yes" to the question (or each question) at least 40% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot

Ballot 6

Number of individual who were entitled to vote in the ballot

Number of votes cast in the ballot

Number of Individuals answering "Yes" to the question 1

Number of individuals answering "No" to the question 2

Number of invalid or otherwise spoiled voting papers returned 3

1-3 should total "Number of votes cast"

Were the number of votes cast in the ballot at least 50% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot

Does section 226(2B) of the 1992 Act apply in relation to this ballot (see notes 76-80)?

If yes, were the number of individuals answering "Yes" to the question (or each question) at least 40% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot

Ballots and Industrial Action: If you have 6 or more entries for either of these, please complete the Excel Spreadsheet

(see note 81)

***Categories of Nature of Trade Dispute**

- A: terms and conditions of employment, or the physical conditions in which any workers require to work;
- B: engagement or non-engagement, or termination or suspension of employment or the duties of employment, of one or more workers;
- C: allocation of work or the duties of employment between workers or groups of workers;
- D: matters of discipline;
- E: a worker's membership or non-membership of a trade union;
- F: facilities for officials of trade unions;

- G: machinery for negotiation or consultation, and other procedures, relating to any of the above matters, including the recognition by employers or employers' associations of the right of a trade union to represent workers in such negotiation or consultation or in the carrying out of such procedures

Did Union members take industrial action during the return period in response to any inducement on the part of the Union? YES/NO

If **YES**, for each industrial action taken please complete the information below:

Industrial Action 1

1. please tick the nature of the trade dispute for which industrial action was taken using the categories* below:

A B C D E F G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken: to

3. Number of days of industrial action:

4. Nature of industrial action.

Industrial Action 2

1. please tick the nature of the trade dispute for which industrial action was taken using the categories* below:

A B C D E F G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken: to

3. Number of days of industrial action:

4. Nature of industrial action.

Industrial Action 3

1. please tick the nature of the trade dispute for which industrial action was taken using the categories* below:

A B C D E F G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken: to

3. Number of days of industrial action:

4. Nature of industrial action.

use a continuation page if necessary

Industrial Action 4

1. please tick the nature of the trade dispute for which industrial action was taken using the categories* below:

A B C D E F G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken: to

3. Number of days of industrial action:

4. Nature of industrial action.

Industrial Action 5

1. please tick the nature of the trade dispute for which industrial action was taken using the categories* below:

A B C D E F G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken: to

3. Number of days of industrial action:

4. Nature of industrial action.

Industrial Action 6

1. please tick the nature of the trade dispute for which industrial action was taken using the categories* below:

A B C D E F G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken: to

3. Number of days of industrial action:

4. Nature of industrial action.

Industrial Action 7

1. please tick the nature of the trade dispute for which industrial action was taken using the categories* below:

A B C D E F G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken: to

3. Number of days of industrial action:

4. Nature of industrial action.

Industrial Action 8

1. please tick the nature of the trade dispute for which industrial action was taken using the categories* below:

A B C D E F G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken: to

3. Number of days of industrial action:

4. Nature of industrial action.

Notes to the accounts

(see notes 82 and 83)

All notes to the accounts must be entered on or attached to this part of the return.

See attached

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

PENSION COMMITMENTS

The Union operates defined contributions pension schemes for the majority of staff members. Scheme contributions are paid to, and managed by, an insurance company in separate funds, with an individual policy for each member.

OTHER FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

As at 30 September 2020 the Union had commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as set out below:

	<i>Office equipment</i>	
	<i>2020</i>	<i>2019</i>
	£	£
Operating leases which expire:		
within 1 year	7,384	7,384
within 2 to 5 years	<u>2,086</u>	<u>7,624</u>
	<u>9,470</u>	<u>15,008</u>

POLITICAL FUND

The Union does not contribute to any political fund.

FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

	<i>2020</i>	<i>2019</i>
	£	£
Financial assets		
Financial assets that are measured at amortised cost	<u>185,428</u>	<u>65,823</u>
Financial liabilities		
Financial liabilities that are measured at amortised cost	<u>127,297</u>	<u>127,272</u>

Financial assets are measured at amortised cost comprise debtors receivable and cash.

Financial liabilities are measured at amortised cost comprise other loans, trade payables, other taxes and accruals.

POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

On 1 October 2020, Voice the Union joined with Community Union, transferring all of its assets and liabilities as at 30 September 2020 shown on the balance sheet.

Accounting policies



(see notes 84 and 85)

See attached

Signatures to the annual return

(see notes 86 & 87)

Including the accounts and balance sheet contained in the return. Please send the return with the original signatures. Copies will not be accepted.

Secretary's Signature: 	Chairman's Signature: 
Name: Yvonne Johns	Name: Joy Rowley
Date: 25 February 2021	Date: 25 February 2021

Checklist

(see notes 88 to 89)

(please tick as appropriate)

Has the return of change of officers been completed? (see Page 2 and Note 12)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	
Has the list of officers in post been completed? (see Page 2 and Note 12)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	
Has the return been signed? (see Pages 23 and 25 and Notes 86 and 95)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	√
Has the auditor's report been completed? (see Pages 20 and 21 and Notes 2 and 77)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	
Is a rule book enclosed? (see Notes 8 and 88)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	
A member statement is: (see Note 80)	Enclosed		To follow	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Has the summary sheet been completed? (see Page 17 and Notes 7 and 62)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	To follow	
Has the membership audit certificate been completed? (see Page i to iii and Notes 97 and 103)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation of accounts

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom accounting standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 – 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland ('FRS 102').

The preparation of financial statements in compliance with FRS 102 requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise judgement in applying the Union's accounting policies.

Going Concern

On 1 October 2020 the entire operations of Voice, and its assets and liabilities have been transferred to Community Union. Therefore the National Council have concluded that the financial statements should not be prepared on a going concern basis.

Members' subscriptions

Members' subscriptions shown in the Revenue Account are those received in respect of the year.

Depreciation of fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost or valuation less depreciation and impairment charges.

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost or valuation, less estimated residual values, of all tangible fixed assets, except investment properties, evenly over their expected useful lives. Freehold land is not depreciated. Depreciation of other assets is calculated at the following rates:

Freehold buildings	-	over 100 years
Office equipment, fixtures and fittings	-	over 5 years
Computer equipment	-	over 3 years
Conference equipment	-	over 5 years

Financial Instruments

The Union only enters into basic financial instruments transactions that result in the recognition of financial assets and liabilities like trade and other accounts receivable and payable.

Debtors

Short term debtors are measured at transaction price less any impairment.

Creditors

Short term creditors are measured at transaction price.

JUDGEMENTS IN APPLYING ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY

There are no significant judgements and estimates made by management in the preparation of the financial statements.

Checklist for auditor's report

(see notes 90 and 96)

The checklist below is for guidance. A report is still required either set out overleaf or by way of an attached auditor's report that covers the 1992 Act requirements.

1. In the opinion of the auditors or auditor do the accounts they have audited and which are contained in this return give a true and fair view of the matters to which they related? (See section 36(1) and (2) of the 1992 Act and notes 92 and 93)

Please explain in your report overleaf or attached.

2. Are the auditors or auditor of the opinion that the union has complied with section 28 of the 1992 Act and has:

- a. kept proper accounting records with respect to its transactions and its assets and liabilities; and
- b. established and maintained a satisfactory system of control of its accounting records, its cash holding and all its receipts and remittances. (See section 36(4) of the 1992 Act set out in note 92)

Please explain in your report overleaf or attached

3. Your auditors or auditor must include in their report the following wording:

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the matters to which they relate to.
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the sections 28, 32 and 36 of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (consolidation) Act 1992.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF VOICE

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Voice for the 9 month period ended 30 September 2020 which comprise the "Revenue Account", the "Balance Sheet" 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 Union's affairs as at 30 September 2020 and of its transactions for the year then ended;
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Trade Union and Labour Relations Act 1992.

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 Union 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.

Emphasis of matter – non going concern basis of preparation

We draw attention to the Going Concern Accounting Policy in the financial statements, which explains that the financial statements have been prepared on the basis that Voice is no longer a going concern; as Voice transferred its entire operations, assets and liabilities to Community Union on 1 October 2020. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Other information

The Officers are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, 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.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Trades Union and Labour Relations Act 1992 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- proper accounting records have not been kept; or
- a satisfactory system of control over its accounting records, cash holdings and receipts and remittances has not been maintained; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of Officers

As explained more fully in the Statement of Officers' responsibility set out on page 3, the Officers 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 Officers determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

We have been appointed as auditor under section 33 of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 and report in accordance with section 36 of that Act.

In preparing the financial statements, the Officers are responsible for assessing the Union'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 Officers either intend to liquidate the Union 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.

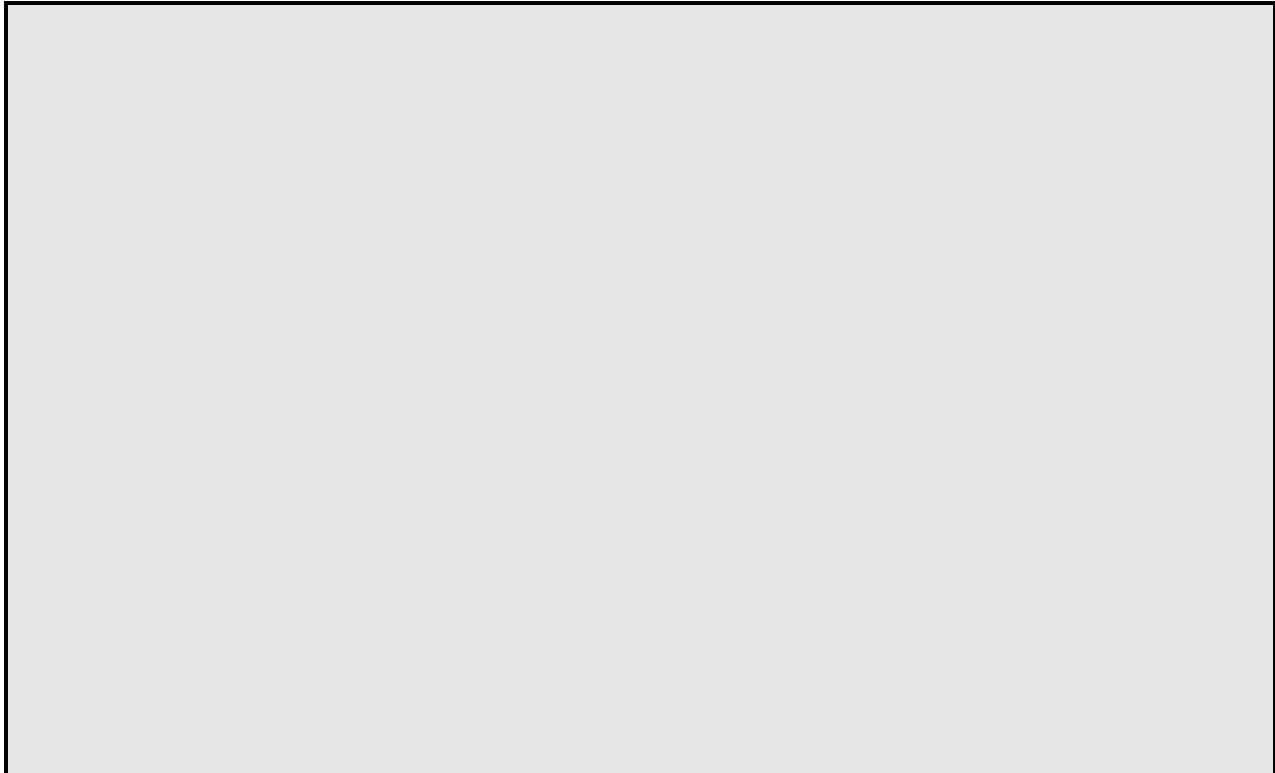
Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

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 Union's members as a body, in accordance with the provisions of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992. Our work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Union's members 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 Union and the Union's members as a body, for our audit work, or for the opinion we have formed.

Auditor's report (continued)



Signature(s) of auditor or auditors:

Crowe UK LLP



Name(s):

CROWE UK LLP



Profession(s) or Calling(s):

REGISTERED AUDITOR



Address(es):

BLACK COUNTRY HOUSE



BUNDS GREEN ROAD



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Date

2/3/2021

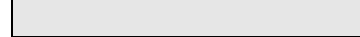


Contact name for inquiries and telephone number:

DAVE DAVLASTON



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N.B. When notes to the account are referred to in the auditor's report a copy of those notes must accompany this return.

Membership audit certificate

made in accordance with section 24ZD of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992

(See notes 97 to 103)

At the end of the reporting period preceding the one to which this audit relates was the total membership of the trade union greater than 10,000?

Yes No

If "YES" please complete SECTION ONE below or provide the equivalent information on a separate document to be submitted with the completed AR21

If "NO" please complete SECTION TWO below or provide the equivalent information on a separate document to be submitted with the completed AR21

Membership audit certificate

Section one

For a trade union with more than 10,000 members, required by section 24ZB of the 1992 Act to appoint an independent assurer

- 1 In the opinion of the assurer appointed by the trade union was the union's system for compiling and maintaining its register of the names and addresses of its members satisfactory to secure, so far as is reasonably practicable, that the entries in its register were accurate and up-to-date throughout the reporting period?

Yes No

- 2 In the opinion of the assurer has he/she obtained the information and explanations necessary for the performance of his/her functions?

Yes No

If the answer to **either** questions 1 or 2 above is "NO" the assurer must:

- (a) set out below the assurer's reasons for stating that
- (b) provide a description of the information or explanation requested or required which has not been obtained
- (c) state whether the assurer required that information or those explanations from the union's officers, or officers of any of its branches or sections under section 24ZE of the 1992 Act
- (d) send a copy of this certificate to the Certification Officer as soon as is reasonably practicable after it is provided to the union.

Membership audit certificate (continued)

Signature of assurer	Crowe UK LLP
Name	Crowe UK LLP
Address	Black Country House, Rounds Green Road, Oldbury, W Midlands, B69 2DG
Date	2/3/2021
Contact name and telephone number	Dave Darlaston 0121 543 1900

Membership audit certificate

Section two

For a trade union with no **more than 10,000 members** at the end of the reporting period preceding the one to which this audit relates.

To the best of your knowledge and belief has the trade union during this reporting period complied with its duty to compile and maintain a register of the names and addresses of its members and secured, so far as is reasonably practicable, that the entries in the register are accurate and up-to-date?

Yes / No

If "No" Please explain below:

Signature	
Name	
Office held	
Date	