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FORM AR21

Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992

ANNUAL RETURN FOR A TRADE UNION

Name of Trade Union:

THE SOCIAL WORKERS UNION

Year ended:

30 SEPTEMBER 2015

List no:

809T

Head or Main Office:

16 KENT STREET
BIRMINGHAM
B5 6RD

Website address (if available)

www.basw.co.uk/swu

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

Yes

No

(Click the appropriate box)

General Secretary:

Bridget Robb

Telephone Number:

0121 622 3911

Contact name for queries
regarding

Bridget Robb

Telephone Number:

0121 622 8416

E-mail:

b.robbs@basw.co.uk

PLEASE FOLLOW THE GUIDANCE NOTES IN THE COMPLETION OF THIS RETURN.

Any difficulties or problems in the completion of this return should be directed to the Certification Officer as below or by telephone to: 020 7210 3734

The address to which returns and other documents should be sent are:

For Unions based in England and Wales:

Certification Office for Trade Unions and Employers' Associations
22nd Floor, Euston Tower, 286 Euston Road, London NW1 3JJ

For Unions based in Scotland:

Certification Office for Trade Unions and Employers' Associations
Melrose House, 69a George Street, Edinburgh EH2 2JG



(Revised February 2011)

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	2364	60	0	0	2424
FEMALE	9232	227	0	0	9459
TOTAL	11,596	287	0	0	A 11,883

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

0

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

11,883

OFFICERS IN POST

(see note 12)

Please attach as an annexe to this form a complete list of all officers in post at the end of the year to which this form relates, with the title of each persons office.

RETURN OF CHANGE OF OFFICERS

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

Title of Office	Name of Officer ceasing to hold office	Name of Officer Appointed	Date
Scotland representative	Vacant	John McGowan	15/7/15
UK representative	Vacant	Malcolm Jordan	31/10/14
UK representative	Vacant	Paul Bishop	15/7/15

State whether the union is:

a. A branch of another trade union?

Yes

No

If yes, state the name of that other union:

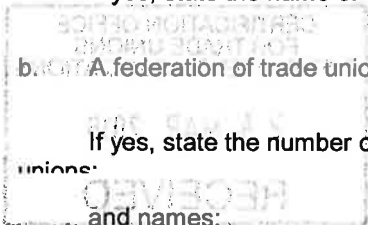
b. A federation of trade unions?

Yes

No

If yes, state the number of affiliated unions:

and names:



ANNEXE A**SWU Executive****Officers in Post at Y/E 30/09/2015**

TITLE / COUNTRY	NAME OF OFFICER APPOINTED	DATE APPOINTED
President	Dave Allan	30/07/2014
Vice President & Scotland Representative	John McGowan	15/07/2015
Hon Treasurer & NI Representative	Gerry Madden	15/07/2015
Wales Representative	Ian Woolrich	12/03/2014
England Representative	Clive Acraman	19/08/2014
UK Representative	James Birchall	30/07/2014
UK Representative	Angi Naylor	30/07/2014
UK Representative	Malcolm Jordan	31/10/2014
UK Representative	Paul Bishop	15/07/2015
General Secretary	Bridget Robb	18/07/2014

GENERAL FUND

(see notes 13 to 18)

	£	£
INCOME		
From Members: Contributions and Subscriptions		846,719
From Members: Other income from members (specify)		
Total other income from members		846,719
Total of all income from members		
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)		
Total of other income (as at page 4)		
	TOTAL INCOME	846,719
EXPENDITURE		
Benefits to members (as at page 5)		836,719
Administrative expenses (as at page 10)		10,000
Federation and other bodies (specify)		
Total expenditure Federation and other bodies		
Taxation		
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	846,719
Surplus (deficit) for year		0
Amount of general fund at beginning of year		0
Amount of general fund at end of year		0

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		
Other income		
TOTAL OTHER INCOME		
TOTAL OF ALL OTHER INCOME		

ANALYSIS OF BENEFIT EXPENDITURE SHOWN AT GENERAL FUND

(see notes 21 to 23)

	£		£
Representation – Employment Related Issues		brought forward	836,719
	836,719	Education and Training services	
Representation – Non Employment Related Issues		Negotiated Discount Services	
Communications		Salary Costs	
Advisory Services		Other Benefits and Grants (specify)	
Dispute Benefits			
Other Cash Payments			
carried forward	836,719	Total (should agree with figure in General Fund)	836,719

(See notes 24 and 25)

FUND 2		Fund Account	
Name:		£	£
Income	From members		
	Investment income (as at page 12)		
	Other income (specify)		
	Total other income as specified		
	Total Income		
Expenditure	Benefits to members		
	Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page 10)		
	Total Expenditure		
	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		
Expenditure	Benefits to members		
	Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page 10)		
	Total Expenditure		
	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 26 to 31)

POLITICAL FUND ACCOUNT 1		To be completed by trade unions which maintain their own fund	
		£	£
Income	Members contributions and levies		
	Investment income (as at page 12)		
	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 of political fund at beginning of year	
		Amount of political fund at the end of year (as Balance Sheet)	
		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 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 fund	
		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			

ANALYSIS OF ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES AND OTHER OUTGOINGS EXCLUDING AMOUNTS CHARGED TO POLITICAL FUND ACCOUNTS

(see notes 32 and 33)

		£
Administrative Expenses		
Remuneration and expenses of staff		10,000
Salaries and Wages included in above	£	
Auditors' fees		
Legal and Professional fees		
Occupancy costs		
Stationery, printing, postage, telephone, etc.		
Expenses of Executive Committee (Head Office)		
Expenses of conferences		
Other administrative expenses (specify)		
 Other Outgoings		
Interest payable:		
Bank loans (including overdrafts)		
Mortgages		
Other loans		
Depreciation		
Taxation		
Outgoings on land and buildings (specify)		
Other outgoings (specify)		
Total		10,000
Charged to:		
General Fund (Page 3)		10,000
Fund (Account)		
Fund (Account)		
Fund (Account)		
Fund (Account)		
Total		10,000

ANALYSIS OF INVESTMENT INCOME

(see notes 45 and 46)

	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)	
		Fund (Account)	
		Fund (Account)	
		Fund (Account)	
		Fund (Account)	
		Fund (Account)	
		Political Fund	
		Total Investment Income	

BALANCE SHEET as at 30 September

(see notes 47 to 50)

Previous Year		£	£
	Fixed Assets (at page 14)		
	Investments (as per analysis on page 15)		
	Quoted (Market value £)		
	Unquoted		
	Total Investments		
	Other Assets		
	Loans to other trade unions		
	Sundry debtors		
	Cash at bank and in hand		
	Income tax to be recovered		
	Stocks of goods		
	Others (specify)		
	Total of other assets		
	TOTAL ASSETS		0
	Fund (Account)		
	Fund (Account)		
	Fund (Account)		
	Superannuation Fund (Account)		
	Political Fund (Account)		
	Revaluation Reserve		
	LIABILITIES		
	Amount held on behalf of central trade union political fund		
	Loans: From other trade unions		
	Loans: Other		
	Bank overdraft		
	Tax payable		
	Sundry creditors		
	Accrued expenses		
	Provisions		
	Other liabilities		
	TOTAL LIABILITIES		0
	TOTAL ASSETS		0

FIXED ASSETS ACCOUNT

(see notes 51 to 55)

	Land and Buildings		Furniture and Equipment £	Motor Vehicles £	Not used for union business £	Total £
	Freehold	Leasehold				
Cost or Valuation						
At start of year						
Additions						
Disposals						
Revaluation/Transfers						
At end of year						
Accumulated Depreciation						
At start of year						
Charges for year						
Disposals						
Revaluation/Transfers						
At end of year						
Net book value at end of year						
Net book value at end of previous year						

ANALYSIS OF INVESTMENTS

(see notes 56 and 57)

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 58 and 59)

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"/>
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"/>
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 60 to 71)

	All funds except Political Funds £	Political Funds £	Total Funds £
INCOME	846,719		846,719
From Members			
From Investments			
Other Income (including increases by revaluation of assets)			
Total Income	846,719		846,719
EXPENDITURE (including decreases by revaluation of assets)			
Total Expenditure	846,719		846,719
Funds at beginning of year (including reserves)			
	0		0
Funds at end of year (including reserves)			
	0		0
ASSETS			
	Fixed Assets		
	Investment Assets		
	Other Assets		
		Total Assets	0
LIABILITIES			
		Total Liabilities	0
NET ASSETS (Total Assets less Total Liabilities)			0

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

(see notes 72 and 73)

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

Based on the accounts no provision for corporation tax has been made.

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(see notes 74 and 75)

Basis of Financial Statements

The financial statements have been prepared on a historical basis and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

Subscriptions

Members' subscriptions are brought into the Revenue Account on the basis of subscriptions due for the year ended 30 September 2015. Amounts not received as at 30 September 2015 are included in current assets under the heading of Debtors.

Expenditure

Expenditure is accounting for on an accruals basis. All amounts of irrecoverable VAT are added to expenditure incurred.

SIGNATURES TO THE ANNUAL RETURN

(see notes 76 and 77)

including the accounts and balance sheet contained in the return.

Secretary's Signature: <u>Bridget Robb</u>	President's Signature: <u>D. M. Allan</u> (or other official whose position should be stated)
Name: Bridget Robb	Name: Dave Allan
Date: 29 February 2016	Date: 29 February 2016

CHECK LIST

(see notes 78 to 80)

(please tick as appropriate)

IS THE RETURN OF OFFICERS ATTACHED? (see Page 2 and Note 12)	YES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO	<input type="checkbox"/>
HAS THE RETURN OF CHANGE OF OFFICERS BEEN COMPLETED? (see Page 2 and Note 12)	YES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO	<input type="checkbox"/>
HAS THE RETURN BEEN SIGNED? (see Pages 19 and 21 and Notes 76 and 77)	YES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO	<input type="checkbox"/>
HAS THE AUDITOR'S REPORT BEEN COMPLETED? (see Pages 20 and 21 and Notes 2 and 77)	YES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO	<input type="checkbox"/>
IS A RULE BOOK ENCLOSED? (see Notes 8 and 78)	YES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO	<input type="checkbox"/>
A MEMBER'S STATEMENT IS: (see Note 80)	ENCLOSE D	<input type="checkbox"/>	TO FOLLOW	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
HAS THE SUMMARY SHEET BEEN COMPLETED (see Page 17 and Notes 7 and 59)	YES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO	<input type="checkbox"/>

AUDITOR'S REPORT

(see notes 81 to 86)

made in accordance with section 36 of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.

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 relate?
(See section 36(1) and (2) of the 1992 Act and notes 83 and 84)

YES/NO

If "No" please explain below.

2. Have the auditors or auditor carried out such investigations in the preparation of their audit report as will enable them to form an opinion as to:
- (a) whether the trade union has kept proper accounting records in accordance with section 28 of the 1992 Act;
 - (b) whether it has maintained a satisfactory system of control over its transactions in accordance with the requirements of that section; and
 - (c) whether the accounts to which the report relates agree with the accounting records?
- (See section 36(3) of the 1992 Act, set out in note 83)

YES/NO

If "No" please explain below.

3. 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 rule 83)

YES/NO

If "No" please explain below.

4. Please set out a copy of the report made by the auditors or auditor to the union on the accounts to which this AR21 relates. The report is to set out the basis upon which the audit has been conducted and/or such other statement as the auditor considers appropriate. Such a statement may be provided as a separate document.
(See note 85)

Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of The Social Workers Union

We have audited the financial statements of The Social Workers Union for the year ended 30 September 2015 on pages 3 to 19 which have been prepared under the accounting policies set out on page 19.

This report is made solely to The Social Workers Union's members, as a body. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to The Social Workers 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 Social Work Union and The Social Workers Union' members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of the Executive Committee and auditor

The Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 and the Trade Union Reform and Employment Rights Act 1993 require the officers of The Social Workers Union to: keep proper accounting records which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of The Social Workers Union and explain its transactions; establish and maintain a satisfactory system of control of the accounting records, cash holding and all the receipts and remittances; prepare an annual return for the Certification Officer giving a true and fair view of the revenue account and balance sheet and provide members of The Social Workers Union with a statement of income and expenditure for the year. 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 (APB's) Ethical Standards for Auditors.

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YES

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AUDITOR'S REPORT (continued)

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 club's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the Executive Committee; and the overall presentation of the financial statements. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Annual Return to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Union's affairs as at 30 September 2015 and of its transactions for the period then ended; and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

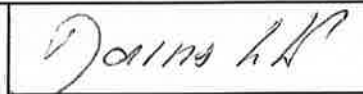
We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where The Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 and the Trade Union Reform and Employment Rights Act 1993 require us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- proper books of account have not been kept by the union in accordance with the requirements of the legislation,
- a satisfactory system of control over transactions has not been maintained by the union in accordance with the requirements of the legislation,
- the revenue account to which our report relates, and the balance sheet are not in agreement with the books of account of the union,
- we have not obtained all the information and explanations necessary for the purposes of our audit.

Dains LLP

Statutory Auditors
Chartered Accountants
29 February 2016

Signature(s) of auditor or auditors:



Name(s):

Dains LLP

Profession(s) or Calling(s):

Statutory Auditor
Chartered Accountants

Address(es):

15 Colmore Row
Birmingham
B3 2BH

Date:

29 February 2016

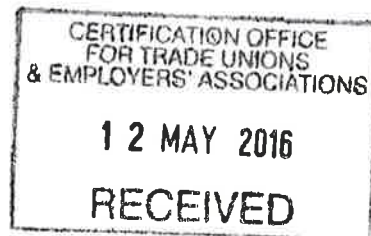
Contact name and telephone number:

Andrew Morris FCA
0845 555 8844

The Social Workers Union

Officers' Report and Financial Statements

For the year ended 30 September 2015



The Social Workers Union

Union Information

Officers	Dave Allan John McGowan Gerry Madden Ian Woolrich Clive Acraman James Birchall Angi Naylor Malcolm Jordan Paul Bishop (appointed 15 July 2015)
General Secretary	Bridget Robb
List number	809T
Head office	16 Kent Street Birmingham B5 6RD
Independent auditors	Dains LLP 15 Colmore Row Birmingham B3 2BH

The Social Workers Union

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The Social Workers Union
Officers' Report
For the year ended 30 September 2015

The officers present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2015.

Objects of the Union

The Unions objects are:

To promote the advancement of social work as a profession in all or any of its aspects.

To promote the professional standing, welfare and interests of social workers, and through them the welfare of individuals and the social well-being of the community.

To provide a means of regulating relations between Members and their employers and between Members and the Regulatory Councils.

To provide Members with advice, assistance and representation, legal or otherwise, and other benefits, in relation to matters arising out of or in connection with their work or employment as social workers or the discharge of their functions as such, their registration with a Regulatory Council, and their training for social work.

Results

The surplus for the year, after taxation, amounted to £NIL (2014 - £NIL).

Officers

The officers who served during the year were:

Dave Allan
John McGowan
Gerry Madden
Ian Woolrich
Clive Acraman
James Birchall
Angi Naylor
Malcolm Jordan
Paul Bishop (appointed 15 July 2015)

The Social Workers Union

Officers' Report

For the year ended 30 September 2015

Officers' responsibilities statement

The officers are responsible for preparing the Officers' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

The Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 and the Trade Union Reform and Employment Rights Act 1993 requires the officers of The Social Workers Union to:

- Keep proper accounting records which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of The Social Workers Union and explain its transactions;;
- Establish and maintain a satisfactory system of control of the accounting records, cash holdings and all the receipts and remittances;
- Prepare an annual return for the Certification Officer giving a true and fair view of the revenue account and balance sheet; and
- Provide members of The Social Workers Union with a statement of income and expenditure for the year.

Disclosure of information to auditors

Each of the persons who are officers at the time when this Officers' report is approved has confirmed that:

- so far as that officer is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the union's auditors are unaware, and
- that officer has taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as an officer in order to be aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the union's auditors are aware of that information.

Auditors

The auditors, Dains LLP, will be proposed for reappointment at the Annual General Meeting in accordance with the rules of the Union..

This report was approved by the board on 29 February 2016 and signed on its behalf.



Bridget Robb
General Secretary

The Social Workers Union

Independent Auditors' Report to the Members of The Social Workers Union

We have audited the financial statements of The Social Workers Union for the year ended 30 September 2015, which comprise the income and expenditure account and 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 Social Workers Union's members, as a body. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Social Workers Union's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' 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 Social Workers Union and the Social Workers Union's members, as a body for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of officers and auditors

The Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 and the Trade Union Reform and Employment Rights Act 1993 require the officers of The Social Workers Union to: keep proper accounting records which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of The Social Work Union and explain its transactions; establish and maintain a satisfactory system of control of the accounting records, cash holding and all the receipts and remittances; prepare an annual return for the Certification Officer giving a true and fair view of the revenue account and balance sheet and provide members of The Social Workers Union with a statement of income and expenditure for the year. 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 (APB'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 Union's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the officers; and the overall presentation of the financial statements. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Officers' report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Union's affairs as at 30 September 2015 and of its results for the year then ended; and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

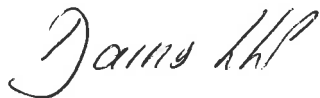
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Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where The Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 and the Trade Union Reform and Employment Rights Act 1993 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- proper books of account have not been kept by the Union in accordance with the requirements of the legislation; 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
- the revenue account to which our report relates, and the balance sheet are not in agreement with the books of account of the union; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations for the purpose of for our audit.



Dains LLP

Statutory Auditor
Chartered Accountants

Birmingham

29 February 2016

The Social Workers Union
Income and Expenditure Account
For the year ended 30 September 2015

	Note	2015 £	2014 £
Income	2	846,719	752,330
Expenditure	3	(846,719)	(752,330)
Surplus for the year to accumulated reserve fund	4	-	-

All amounts relate to continuing operations.

There were no recognised gains and losses for 2015 or 2014 other than those included in the income and expenditure account.


The notes on page 7 form part of these financial statements.

The Social Workers Union
Registered number: 809T

Balance Sheet
As at 30 September 2015

	2015 £	£	2014 £
Net assets	-		-
	<u> </u>		<u> </u>
Reserves	-		-
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The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Executive Committee and were signed on its behalf on 29 February 2016.


Dave Allan
President

The notes on page 7 form part of these financial statements.

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**Notes to the Financial Statements
For the year ended 30 September 2015**

1. Accounting Policies

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

1.2 Subscriptions

Members' subscriptions are brought into the Revenue Account on the basis of subscriptions due for the year ended 30 September 2015. Amounts not received as at 30 September 2015 are included in current assets under the heading of Debtors.

1.3 Expenditure

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. All amounts of irrecoverable VAT are added to expenditure incurred.

2. Income

	2015	2014
	£	£
Subscription fee	846,719	752,330

3. Expenditure

	2014	2013
	£	£
Benefits to members		
Association membership fee	836,719	742,330
Administrative expenses		
Officials' salary	10,000	10,000
	846,719	752,330

4. Accumulated Reserve Fund

	2015	2014
	£	£
At 30 September 2015	-	-