Form AR21

Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992

Annual Return for a Trade Union

Name of Trade Union:	The Writers Guild of Great Britain
Year ended:	31 December 2019
List no:	418T
Head or Main Office address:	First Floor
	134 Tooley Street
	London
Postcode	SE1 2TU
Website address (if available)	www.writersguild.org.uk
Has the address changed during the year to which the return relates?	Yes No x ('X' in appropriate box)
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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	1,253	15	4	47	1,319
Female	1,018	7	3	33	1,061
Other	61	1	1	3	66
Total	2,332	23	8	83	A 2,446

Number of members at end of year contributing to the General Fund	2,446
Number of members included in totals box 'A' above for whom no home or authorised address is held:	

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	Ms Olivia Hetreed	Ms Sandy Toksvig	24.06.2019
Chair	Ms Gail Rennard	Ms Lisa Holsworth	24.06.2019
Deputy Chair	Ms Lisa Holsworth	Mr Tim Stimpson	24.06.2019

State	whether the union is:		
a.	A branch of another trade union?	Yes	No x
	If yes, state the name of that other union:		
b.	A federation of trade unions?	Yes	No x
	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
Ms Sandy Toksvig	President
Ms Lisa Holdsworth	Chair
Mr William Gallagher	Deputy Chair
Mr Tim Stimpson	Deputy Chair
Ms Eleanor Peers	General Secretary
Ms Eleanor Peers	Treasurer

General Fund

(see notes 13 to 18)

	£	£
From Members: Contributions and Subscriptions From Members: Other income from members (specify)		523,088
Total other income from members		
Total of all income from members		523,088
Investment income (as at page 12)		1,202
Other Income		
Income from Federations and other bodies (as at page 4)		
Income from any other sources (as at page 4)	49,799	
Total of other income (as at page 4)		49,799
Total income		574,089
Interfund Transfers IN penditure		
refluture		
Benefits to members (as at page 5)		95,500
Administrative expenses (as at page 10)		409,029
Federation and other bodies (specify)		
Affiliations and Donations		14,345
Total expenditure Federation and other bodies		14,345
Taxation		9,992
Total expenditure Interfund Transfers OUT		528,866
Surplus (deficit) for year		45,223
Amount of general fund at beginning of year		579,472
Amount of general fund at end of year		624,695

Analysis of income from federation and other bodies and other income

(see notes 19 and 20)

D	Description	£
Federation and other bodies		
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	Total federation and other bodies	
Any Other Sources		
Any Other Sources		
Awards Income		43,850
Other Income		349
SSVC Donations		5,600
	Total other sources	49,799
	Total of all other income	49,799

Analysis of benefit expenditure shown at the General Fund

(see notes 21 to 23)

			£
Representation –		brought forward	37,469
Employment Related Issues		Advisory Services	wilding a selection of
Representation –		Other Cash Payments	
Non Employment Related Issues			
Legal & Professional Fees	18,774		
		Education and Training services	
		Communications	10,510
		Guild Award Expenses	47,521
Communications			
Postage & Telephone	3,309		
Meeting Expenses	15,386		
		Negotiated Discount Services	
Dispute Benefits			
		Other Benefits and Grants (specify)	
carried forward	37,469	Total (should agree with figure in General Fund)	95,500

Fund	2	Fund Account
Name:	WELFARE FUND £	£
Income		
	From members	38
	Investment income (as at page 12)	
	Other income (specify)	
	Total other income as specified	
	Total Income	38
	Interfund Transfers IN	
Expenditure		
	Benefits to members	2,811
	Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page 10)	
	Total Expenditure	2,811
	Interfund Transfers OUT	
	Surplus (Deficit) for the year	-2,773
	Amount of fund at beginning of year	48,372
	Amount of fund at the end of year (as Balance Sheet)	45,599
	Number of members contributing at end of year	

Fund	3	Fund Accoun
Name:	£	£
ncome		
	From members	
	Investment income (as at page 12)	
	Other income (specify)	
	Total other income as specified	d
	Total Income	е
	Interfund Transfers II	V
Expenditure		
	Benefits to members	
	Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page 10)	
	Total Expenditur	е
	Interfund Transfers OU	T SIDNESS TO SEE
	Surplus (Deficit) for the year	ır
	Amount of fund at beginning of year	ır Harita ile
	Amount of fund at the end of year (as Balance Shee	t)
		(production of the state of the
	Number of members contributing at end of year	ır

Fund 4 Fund Accou			Fund Account
Name:		£	£
Income			
	From members		
	Investment income (as at page 12)		
	Other income (specify)		
	Total other inco		
		Total Income	
	Interf	und Transfers IN	
Expenditure	_		
	Benefits to members		
* "	Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page 10)		
	То	tal Expenditure	
	Interfun	d Transfers OUT	
		_	
	Surplus (Defi	icit) for the year	
	Amount of fund at be	ginning of year	
	Amount of fund at the end of year (as	Balance Sheet)	
		_	
	Number of members contributin	g at end of year	

Fund	5		Fund Accoun
Name:		£	£
ncome			
	From members		
	Investment income (as at page 12)	18	
	Other income (specify)		
	Total other inc	ome as specified	
		Total Income	
	Inte	rfund Transfers IN	
Expenditure			
	Benefits to members		
	Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page 10)		
		Total Expenditure	
	Interfu	ind Transfers OUT	
		eficit) for the year	
	Amount of fund at I	-	
	Amount of fund at the end of year (a	s Balance Sheet)	
	Number of members contribut	ing at end of year	

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)	
		No.
	Number of members contributing at end of year	

Fund 7		Fund Account	
Name:	E CONTRACTOR OF THE PROPERTY O	£	
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 8 Fund Accoun		
Name:	£	£
Income		
	From members	
	Investment income (as at page 12)	
	Other income (specify)	
	Total other income as appointed	
	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 9		Fund Account	
Name:		£	£
Income			
	From members		
	Investment income (as at page 12)		
	Other income (specify)		
	Total other in	come as specified	
		Total Income	
	Int	erfund Transfers IN	
Expenditure			
	Benefits to members		
	Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page 10)		
		Total Expenditure	
	Interf	und Transfers OUT	
	Surplus (D	eficit) for the year	
		beginning of year	
	Amount of fund at the end of year (
	Number of members contribu	ting at end of year	

Political fund account

		(see notes 24 to 33)	£	£
Political fu	nd account 1 To	be completed by trade unions which maintain their o	wn political fund	
		ncome Members contributions and levies		
		Investment income (as at page 12)		
	Other income (specify)			
	Other modifie (openity)		E 1910-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1	
		Total other	er income as specified	
		1001	Total income	The second secon
		rade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act	1992 on purposes set of	out in section (72) (1)
		Expenditure A (as at page i)		
		Expenditure B (as at page ii)		
		Expenditure C (as at page iii)		
		Expenditure D (as at page iv)	<u> </u>	
		Expenditure E (as at page v)		
		Expenditure F (as at page vi)	-	
		Non-political expenditure (as at page vii)		
		Non-political experiunture (as at page viii)	Total expenditure	
		S	urplus (deficit) for year	
			nd at beginning of year	
		PARCESTOR DA MONSTERO AND	_	
		Amount of political fund at the end of ye		
		Number of members at end of year contributi	-	
		Number of members at end of the year not contributi		
Nun	nber of members at end of yea	r who have completed an exemption notice and do not contril	oute to the political fund	
Political fu	nd account 2 To be con	mpleted by trade unions which act as components of	a central trade union	
Income	Contributions and levies coll	ected from members on behalf of central political fund		
	Funds received back from c			
	Other income (specify)			
	Cities income (appeary)			
P			-	
			Total other income as	enocified
				al income
			100	ai income
Expenditure				
	Expenditure under section 8	2 of the Trade Union and Labour Relations		
	(Consolidation) Act 1992 (sp	pecify)		
		1		
519	Administration exp	enses in connection with political objects(specify)		
	Non-political expenditu	re		
			Total expenditure	
			Surplus (deficit) for year	
		Amount held on behalf of trade union political fu		
			nitted to central political	
		Amount held on behalf of central poli		
		Number of members at end of year contribu	-	
		Number of members at end of the year not contribu		
	empers at end of year who have	e completed an exemption notice and do not therefore contril	pute to the political fundi	

The following pages 9i to 9vii relate to the Political Fund Account Expenditure

Political fund account expenditure (a)

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.

Contribution to the funds of, or on the payment of expenses incurred directly or indirectly by a political party		
Name of political party in relation to which money was expended	Total amount spent during the period	
Tota		

Political fund account expenditure (b)

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

Name of political party to which payment was made

Total amount paid during the period

£

Total

Political fund account expenditure (c)

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 in connection with the registration of electors, the candidature of any person, the selection of any candidate or the holding of any ballot by the union in connection with any election to a political office

Title and Date of election	Name of political party/organisation	Name of candidate, organisation or political party (see 33(iii))	£
			-
		Total	

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 maintaince of any holder of political office		
lame 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	£
Tot	tal

Political fund account expenditure (f)

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

On the production, publication or distribution of any literature, document, film, sound recording or advertisement the main purpose of which is to pursuade people to vote for a political party or candidate or to persuade them not to vote for a political party or candidate

Name of organisation or political party	£
Tot	al

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 informat	ion is-	
(a) the nature of each cause or campaign for which money was expended, and the total amount expended in relation to each one		£
	,	
	l.	
Total exper	iditure	
(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		£
	1377	
Total exper	diture	
(c) the total amount of all other money expended		£
Total expen	diture	
Total of all expend	tures	

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		295,10
Salaries and Wages included in above	295,108	
Auditors' fees		11,28
Legal and Professional fees		3,589
Occupancy costs		57,402
Stationery, printing, postage, telephone, etc.		1,374
Expenses of Executive Committee (Head Office)		
Expenses of conferences		6,920
Other administrative expenses (specify)		
Membership Systems		15,339
Computer support		4,593
Sundry	NUMBER OF THE PROPERTY OF THE	2,891
Events		9,923
	ACTION AND ADDRESS OF THE PARTY	
Other Outgoings		
Bank Charges and Interest		452
Outgoings on land and buildings (specify)		
Other outgoings (specify)		
tretert		
	Total	409,029
Charged to:	General Fund (Page 3) WELFARE FUND	409,029
	1000	100.000
	Total	409,029

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 Benef	its	
				Description	Value	
	£	£	£		£	£
General Secretary	62,920	7,499	5,663			76,082
	A SHIPMAN					

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		1,202
Other investment income (specify)		
		1,202
	Total investme	ent income 1,202
Credited t	General Fun	d (Page 3) 1,202 RE FUND
	Poli	tical Fund
	Total Investm	ent Funds 1,202

Balance sheet as at

31 December 2019

(see notes 49 to 52)

	(see notes 49 to 52)	T	
evious Year		£	£
628	Fixed Assets (at page 14)		47
	Investments (as per analysis on page 15)		
	Quoted (Market value £ (
	Unquoted		
	Total Investments		And tale windows
	Other Assets		
	Loans to other trade unions		
23,417	Sundry debtors		36,82
747,826	Cash at bank and in hand		759,40
	Income tax to be recovered		
	Stocks of goods		
	Others (specify)		
	Total of other assets	Total assets	796,22 796,69
579,472	General fund (page 3)		624,69
48,372			45,59
40,012	WELLYNETONS		45,59
d in the			
2	Political Fund Account		
	Liabilities		
	Amount held on behalf of central trade union political fund	F	
£47,648	Sundry Creditors		51,845
£96,379	Accrued Expenses		74,554
L30,373	Addition Expenses	1	74,554
		1	
		8	
T-17.35			
7 - 11			
		Total liabilities	126,399

Fixed assets account

(see notes 53 to 57)

	Land and	l Buildings Leasehold	Furniture and	Motor Vehicles	Not used for union	Total
	£	£	Equipment £	£	business £	£
Cost or Valuation						
At start of year			51,734			51,734
Additions						
Disposals						
Revaluation/Transfers						
At end of year			51,734			51,734
Accumulated Depreciation						
At start of year			51,106			51,106
Charges for year			158			158
Disposals						
Revaluation/Transfers						
At end of year			51,264			51,264
Net book value at end of year			470			470
eng .						
Net book value at end of previous year			628			628

Analysis of investments (see notes 58 and 59)

Quoted		All Funds Except Political Funds	Political Fund
	Equities (e.g. Shares)	£	£
	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)		
		med important	
	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	No 🔀
If YES name the relevant companies:			
Company name			mber (if not registered e where registered)
Are the shares which are controlled by the union registered in the names of the union's trustees? If NO, state the names of the persons in whom the shares controlled by the union are registered.		Yes	No
Company name	Names	of shareholders	

Summary sheet

(see notes 62 to 73)

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	All funds except Political Funds	Political Funds £	Total Funds £
Income			
From Members	523,126		523,126
From Investments	1,202		1,202
Other Income (including increases by revaluation of assets)	49,799		49,799
Total Income	574,127		574,127
Expenditure (including decreases by revaluation of assets)			
Total Expenditure	531,677		531,677
Funds at beginning of year (including reserves) Funds at end of year (including reserves)	627,844 670,294		627,844 670,294
Assets			
	Fixed Assets		470
	Investment Assets		
	Other Assets		796,223
		Total Assets	796,693
Liabilities		Total Liabilities	126,399
Net Assets (Total Assets less Total Liab	pilities)		670,294

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.

Accour	atina	Can	iont	ion

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the FRS 102 Section 1A Small Entities. The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland and Companies Act 2006.

Subscriptions

Subscriptions are accounted for on receipt basis.

Donations

Donations to the Guild are accounted for when received.

Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at rates estimated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset over its expected useful life as follows:

Office Equipment

25% on written down value

Computer Equipment

25% on written down value

Operating Leases

Rental payments in respect of operating leases are charged to the income and expenditure account.

Accounting policies (see notes 84 and 85)

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.	Chie H.	Chairman's Signature:	-A
			(or other official whose position should be stated)
Name:	Ellic Peers	Name:	Lisa Holdsworth
Date:	Clip 19/5/20	Date	19.520

Checklist

(see notes 88 to 89)

(please tick as appropriate)

	- pro-	1	-	
Has the return of change of officers been completed? (see Page 2 and Note 12)	Yes	x	No	
Has the list of officers in post been completed? (see Page 2 and Note 12)	Yes	x	No	
Hes the return been signed? (see Pages 23 and 25 and Notes 86 and 95)	Yes	×	No	
Has the audior's report been completed? (see Pages 20 and 21 and Notes 2 and 77)	Yes	x	No	
Is a rule book enclosed? (see Notes 8 and 88)	Yes	×	No	
A member statement is: (see Note 80)	Enclosed	x	To follow	
Has the summary sheet been completed? (see Page 17 and Notes 7 and 62)	Yes	x	To follow	
Has the membership audit certificate been completed? (see Page i to iii and Notes 97 and 103)	Yes	×	No	

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

TO THE MEMBERS OF

THE WRITERS' GUILD OF GREAT BRITAIN

We have audited the financial statements of the Writers' Guild of Great Britain for the year ended 31 December 2019, set out on pages 3 to 14. 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 Guild's members, as a body. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Guild'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 Guild and the Guild's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of the Union's National Executive Council and auditors

As explained more fully in the Statement of Responsibilities of the Guild's Executive Council on page 3, the National Executive Council is responsible for the preparation of financial statements which give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

Scope of the audit of the financial statements

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

Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the Guild's affairs as at 31 December 2019 and of its income and expenditure for the year then ended.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We are required by the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 (Amended) to report to you by exception in respect of the following matters if, in our opinion:

- A satisfactory system of control over transactions has not been maintained.
- The Guild has not kept proper accounting records.
- The financial statements are not in agreement with the books of account.
- We have not received all the information and explanations we need for our audit.

We have nothing to report to you in respect of the above matters.

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Alexander Gillespie
Senior Statutory Auditor
Gillespie Inverarity & Co. Ltd
Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors
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Dated:

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Auditor's report (continued)

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Date	22/5/20	

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 reportign period proceding the one to which this audit relates was the total membership of the trade union greater than 10,000?

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

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

In the opinion of the assurer has he/she obtained the inforamation 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:

- 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

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 it members and secured, so far asis reasonably practicable, that the entries in the register are accurate and up-to-date?

Yes

If "No" Please explain below:

Signature	etan.	
Name	Ms Eleanor Peers	LISA HOLDSWORTH
Office held	General Secretary	CHAIRPERSON
Date	19/5/2020	19/5/2020

THE WRITERS' GUILD OF GREAT BRITAIN

ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

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STATEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

The legislation relating to trade unions requires the Guild to submit a return for each calendar year to the Certification Officer. This return contains accounts which must give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Guild at the year end and of its transactions for the year then ended. The accounts set out on the following pages have been prepared on the same basis and are used to complete the return to the Certification Officer.

In relation to the Writers' Guild of Britain the requirement to prepare accounts that give a true and fair view is the responsibility of the Executive Council. The Executive Council is responsible for preparing accounts in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice). In so doing the Executive Council is required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently.
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed.
- Prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to do so.

The Executive Council is responsible for keeping proper accounting records and establishing and maintaining a satisfactory system of control over its records and transactions in order to comply with the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 (Amended). They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Guild and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

TO THE MEMBERS OF

THE WRITERS' GUILD OF GREAT BRITAIN

We have audited the financial statements of the Writers' Guild of Great Britain for the year ended 31 December 2019, set out on pages 3 to 14. 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 Guild's members, as a body. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Guild'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 Guild and the Guild's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of the Union's National Executive Council and auditors

As explained more fully in the Statement of Responsibilities of the Guild's Executive Council on page 3, the National Executive Council is responsible for the preparation of financial statements which give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

Scope of the audit of the financial statements

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

Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the Guild's affairs as at 31 December 2019 and of its income and expenditure for the year then ended.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We are required by the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 (Amended) to report to you by exception in respect of the following matters if, in our opinion:

- A satisfactory system of control over transactions has not been maintained.
- The Guild has not kept proper accounting records.
- The financial statements are not in agreement with the books of account.
- We have not received all the information and explanations we need for our audit.

We have nothing to report to you in respect of the above matters.

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Alexander Gillespie Senior Statutory Auditor Gillespie Inverarity & Co. Ltd Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors 33 Leslie Street

Blairgowrie Perthshire

PH10 6AW

Dated:

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

GENERAL FUND

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

	NOTE	2019 £	2018 £
INCOME			
Subscriptions		523,087	493,583
Other income		51,001	59,205
		574,088	552,788
EXPENDITURE			
Staff costs		295,108	258,205
Membership Activity and Communication Costs	2	95,500	108,753
Premises and Equipment Costs	3	61,508	65,739
Administration Expenses	4	66,757	58,893
	_	518,873	491,590
PROFIT(LOSS)FOR THE YEAR		55,215	61,198
CORPORATION TAX	5	9,992	11,609
PROFIT FOR THE YEAR	3 	45,223	49,589
BALANCES BROUGHT FORWARD		579,472	529,883
BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD	,	624,695	579,472

There are no recognised gains and liabilities other than those passing through the income and expenditure account.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

WELFARE FUND

	2019	2018
RECEIPTS	£	£
Donations (members)	38	2,532
Interest		-
	38	2,532
EXPENDITURE		
Members Subscriptions/Grants	- ·	-
Loans Written Off	2,811	2,000
	2,811	2,000
(LOSS)/PROFIT FOR THE YEAR	(2,773)	532
BALANCES BOUGHT FORWARD	48,372	47,840
BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD	45,599	48,372

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

ROYALTIES ACCOUNT

	2019 £	2018 £
RECEIPTS	<i>∞</i>	~
Royalties received	23,875	10,855
	23,875	10,855
PAYMENTS		
Distribution to Members	19,678	19,882
Commission on Royalties	-	-
	19,678	19,882
NET (DECREASE)/INCREASE	4,197	(9,027)
MONIES HELD FOR DISTRIBUTION B/FWD	47,648	56,675
MONIES HELD FOR REDISTRIBUTION C/FWD	51,845	47,648

BALANCE SHEET

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

NOTE	2019		2018	
FIXED ASSETS	£	£	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets 6		470		628
CURRENT ASSETS Debtors and Prepayments	23,998		12,624	
Loans to Members (Welfare Fund)	12,822		10,793	
Cash at Bank and in Hand	759,403		747,826	
-	796,223		771,243	
CURRENT LIABILITIES Royalties collected for Members	51,845		47,648	
Creditors and Accruals	74,554		96,379	
	126,399		144,027	
NET CURRENT ASSETS		669,824		627,216
Represented by:		670,294		627,844
GENERAL FUND		624,695		579,472
WELFARE FUND		45,599		48,372
		670,294		627,844

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GENERAL SECRETARY
CHAIR

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ACCOUNTING POLICIES

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the FRS 102 Section 1A Small Entities. The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland and Companies Act 2006.

Subscriptions

Subscriptions are accounted for on receipt basis.

Donations

Donations to the Guild are accounted for when received.

Expenditure

All expenditure in the accounts is inclusive of VAT where applicable.

Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at rates estimated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset over its expected useful life as follows:

Office Equipment

25% on written down value

Computer equipment

25% on written down value

Operating Leases

Rental payments in respect of operating leases are charged to the income and expenditure account.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

		2019 £	2018 £
1	OTHER INCOME		
	Bank interest	1,202	845
	Commission on Royalties		ÿ =
	Awards Income	43,850	51,460
	Other Income	349	1,300
	SSVC Donations	5,600	5,600
		51,001	59,205
2	MEMBERSHIP ACTIVITY AND C	COMMUNICATION COSTS	
	Postage and Telephone	3,309	3,295
	Meetings Expenses	15,386	15,332
	Guild Awards Expenses	47,521	52,757
	Legal Representation	18,774	19,770
	Communications	10,510	17,599
		95,500	108,753

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

3	PREMISES AND EQUIPMENT COSTS	2019 £	2018 £
	Rent Rates and Utilities	47,632	44,795
	Insurance	3,132	4,731
	Repairs and Maintenance	1,834	3,726
	Equipment Hire	4,159	2,460
	Computer Support	4,593	9,817
	Depreciation	158	210
	<u> </u>	61,508	65,739
4	ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES		
	Membership System	15,339	11,499
	Advertising & Publicity	H	¥
	Stationary	1,373	3,499
	Archive Storage	645	610
	Travelling and Subsistence	6,920	10,005
	Affiliation Fees	14,345	14,041
	Audit and Accountancy	11,280	11,240
	Bank charges and Interest	452	347
	Sundry	12,814	3,351
	Legal & Professional	3,589	4,301
		66,757	58,893

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

2018

11,609

2019

9,992

5 TAX CHARGE ON SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES

Corporation Tax Change for the Year

6	TANGIABLE FIXED ASSETS	Office Equipment £	Computer Equipment £	Total £
	COST			
	At 1st January 2018	18,066	33,668	51,724
	Additions	-	*	
	Disposals	-	<u>.</u>	:=
	At 31st December 2019	18,066	33,668	51,734
	DEPRECIATION			
	At 1st January 2018	17,876	33,230	51,103
	Disposals	-		399
	Charges for the Year	48	110	158
	At 31st December 2019	17,924	33,340	51,261
	NET BOOK VALUE			
	At 31st December 2019	142	328	470
	At 31st December 2018	190	438	628

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

7 OPERATING LEASES

At 31 December 2019, there were annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as set out below:

	2019 £	2018 £
Operating Lease Which Expires		
In Less Than Five Years	35,000	30,000