

Form AR21

Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992

Annual Return for a Trade Union

Name of Trade Union:

Artists' Union England

Year ended:

Sunday 31 December 2023

List no:

Head or Main Office address:

Artists' Union England

Care of GFTU,

Quorn Grange Hotel,

88 Wood Lane, Quorn,

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Website address (if available)

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

Yes

No

('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
	1,200				1,200
Total	1,200				A 1,200

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

1,200

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

0

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
Treasurer	Howe Furber and Anja Borowicz Richardson	Vanessa Maurice-Williams	01 March 2023
Executive Member	Pam Foley	Katriona Beales	01 March 2023
Executive Member		Antonietta Torsiello	01 July 2023
Executive Member		Madeleine Pledge	01 November 2023
Executive Member		Maxina Smith	01 November 2023

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:

GFTU, TUC

AUE OFFICERS Jan-Dec 2023

Lorraine Monk	Co-Chair	York Cottage, Hampton Court Road, East Molesey, Surrey, KT8 9DA	Became Co-chair on 27 th March 2021
Zita Holbourne	Co-Chair	135 Haig Road, London, E13 9LP	Co-opted 18 th Nov 2021 at Special Members AGM
Martin Sundram	Secretary	Flat 6, Kings House, Russell Street, Stroud, GL5 3AJ	Became Secretary 27 th March 2021
Vanessa Maurice- Williams	NEC Member (Treasurer)	163 Nevill Road, Hove, East Sussex, BN3 7QG	Came onto the NEC with the Solidarity Fund 2020, closed Solidarity Fund December 2022. Became Treasurer March 2023
Katriona Beales	NEC Member	79 Glengall Road, London, SE15 6RU	Came onto the NEC March 2023.
Antonietta Torsiello	NEC Member	17 Gore Road, London, E9 7HR	Co-opted onto the NEC in July 2023.
Madeleine Pledge	NEC Member	25a Sandrock Road, London, SE13 7TS	01 November 2023
Maxima Smith	NEC Member	2 Ladywell Road, London, SE13 7UW	01 November 2023

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 and date elected
Loraine Monk	Co-chair
Zita Holbourne	Co-chair
Martin Sundram	Secretary
Vanessa Maurice-Williams	Treasurer
Katriona Beales	NEC member
Antonietta Torsiello	NEC member
Madeleine Pledge	NEC member
Maxima Smith	NEC member

General Fund

(see notes 13 to 18)

	£	£
Income		
From Members: Contributions and Subscriptions		50,778
From Members: Other income from members (specify)		
cheque x 2		84
donation		50
Total other income from members		134
Total of all income from members		50,912
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	50,912
	Interfund Transfers IN	314
Expenditure		
Benefits to members (as at page 5)		10,120
Administrative expenses (as at page 10)		26,161
Federation and other bodies (specify)		
TUC		2,292
GFTU		2,397
Total expenditure Federation and other bodies		4,689
Taxation		
	Total expenditure	40,970
	Interfund Transfers OUT	
	Surplus (deficit) for year	9,942
Amount of general fund at beginning of year		19,451
Amount of general fund at end of year		29,707

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	
Total other sources	
Total of all other income	

Analysis of benefit expenditure shown at the General Fund

(see notes 21 to 23)

			£
Representation – Employment Related Issues		brought forward	10,120
Legal representation	7,866	Advisory Services	
Representation – Non Employment Related Issues		Insurance	
Member events	454	Other Cash Payments	
Communications		Education and Training services	
Webiste	1,800	Negotiated Discount Services	
Dispute Benefits		Other Benefits and Grants (specify)	
carried forward	10,120	Total (should agree with figure in General Fund)	10,120

(See notes 21 and 23)

Fund 2		Fund Account		
Name:	Solidarity Fund	£	£	
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	314
		Surplus (Deficit) for the year		
		Amount of fund at beginning of year	514	
		Amount of fund at the end of year (as Balance Sheet)	200	
		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		

(See notes 21 and 23)

Fund 8		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 9		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 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 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 (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

Expenditure of money on the provision of any services or property for use by or on behalf of any political party	
Name of political party to which payment was made	Total amount paid during the period
	£
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	[REDACTED]	
Salaries and Wages included in above	[REDACTED]	
Auditors' fees		510
Legal and Professional fees		1,043
Occupancy costs		
Stationery, printing, postage, telephone, etc.		902
Expenses of Executive Committee (Head Office)		160
Expenses of conferences		1,476
Other administrative expenses (specify)		
Website and IT		13,276
Admin support		8,794
Other Outgoings		
[REDACTED]		
Outgoings on land and buildings (specify)		
[REDACTED]		
Other outgoings (specify)		
[REDACTED]		
tretert		
		Total
		26,161
Charged to:	General Fund (Page 3)	26,161
	Solidarity Fund	
		Total
		26,161

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
					£		£

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)			
Solidarity Fund			
Political Fund			
Total Investment Funds			

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						
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 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	50,912		50,912
From Investments			
Other Income (including increases by revaluation of assets)			
Total Income	50,912		50,912
Expenditure (including decreases by revaluation of assets)			
Total Expenditure	40,970		40,970
Funds at beginning of year (including reserves)	19,965		19,965
Funds at end of year (including reserves)	29,907		29,907
Assets			
Fixed Assets			
Investment Assets			
Other Assets			29,907
		Total Assets	29,907
Liabilities		Total Liabilities	0
Net Assets (Total Assets less Total Liabilities)			29,907

Summary sheet

(see notes 62 to 73)

	All funds except Political Funds £	Political Funds £	Total Funds £
Income			
From Members			
From Investments			
Other Income (including increases by revaluation of assets)			
Total Income			
Expenditure (including decreases by revaluation of assets)			
Total Expenditure			
Funds at beginning of year (including reserves)			
Funds at end of year (including reserves)			
Assets			
Fixed Assets			
Investment Assets			
Other Assets			
Total Assets			
Liabilities			
Total Liabilities			
Net Assets (Total Assets less Total Liabilities)			

(see notes 74 to 80)

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

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

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.

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

ARTISTS' UNION ENGLAND

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable UK accounting standards and the following accounting policies:

1.1. Basis of Accounting

The Financial Statements 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 (FRS 102). The Financial Statements have been prepared under the historical cost basis.

1.2. Reduced Disclosure Exemptions

As a qualifying entity reporting under FRS 102, the Union has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemptions:

- The requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows and Section 3 Financial Statement Presentation.

1.3 Going Concern

The executive has considered the financial position of the Union and is of the opinion that there are no reasons why the Union should not continue for at least the next twelve months and remain a going concern..


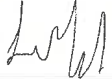
Accounting policies

(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 copy and paste your electronic signature here

Secretary's Signature:		Chairman's Signature:	
	Co-chair		Co-chair
Name:	Zita Holbourne	Name:	Lorraine Monk
Date:	13 May 2024	Date:	13 May 2024

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

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.

Auditor's report (continued)

Signature(s) of auditor or auditors:

Azets Audit Services

Name(s):

AZETS AUDIT SERVICES

Profession(s) or Calling(s):

AUDITOR

Address(es):

2ND FLOOR, REGIS HOUSE

45 KING WILLIAM STREET

LONDON

Postcode

EC4R 9AN

Date

17 JUNE 2024

Contact name for inquiries and telephone number:

P. CLARK
0207403 1877

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

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO ARTISTS' UNION ENGLAND

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of the Artists' Union England (the 'Union') for the year ended 31 December 2023 which comprise the income and expenditure 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 FRS 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 31 December 2023 and of its result for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) 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 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 audit opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- the Executive Committee's use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate, or
- the Executive Committee has not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the Union's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Other information

The Executive Committee is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the 2023 Annual Report and Financial Statements, 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.

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Matters in which we are required to report by exception

In light of the knowledge and understanding of the Union and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the financial report.

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

- proper accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us, in accordance with the requirements; or
- the union has not maintained a satisfactory system of controls over its transactions in accordance with the requirements; 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 the Executive Committee

As explained more fully in the Statement of The Executive Committee's Responsibilities, the Executive Committee 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 Executive Committee determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Executive Committee 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 Executive Committee 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.

Extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above and on the Financial Reporting Council's website, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud.

We obtain and update our understanding of the Union, its activities, its control environment, and likely future developments, including in relation to the legal and regulatory framework applicable and how the Union is complying with that framework. Based on this understanding, we identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. This includes consideration of the risk of acts by the Union that were contrary to applicable laws and regulations, including fraud.

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In response to the risk of irregularities and non-compliance with laws and regulations, including fraud, we designed procedures which included:

- Enquiry of management and those charged with governance around actual and potential litigation and claims as well as actual, suspected and alleged fraud;
- Reviewing minutes of meetings of those charged with governance;
- Assessing the extent of compliance with the laws and regulations considered to have a direct material effect on the financial statements or the operations of the company through enquiry and inspection;
- Reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- Performing audit work over the risk of management bias and override of controls, including testing of journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness, evaluating the business rationale of significant transactions outside the normal course of business and reviewing accounting estimates for indicators of potential bias.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the Artists' Union England as a body, in accordance with the provisions of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992. Our audit 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 as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Azets Audit Services

Azets Audit Services Limited
Chartered Accountants, Statutory Auditor,
Regis House, 45 King William Street, London EC4R 9AN.

17 June 2024

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)

<p>Signature of assurer</p>	
<p>Name</p>	
<p>Address</p>	
<p>Date</p>	
<p>Contact name and telephone number</p>	

Membership audit certificate

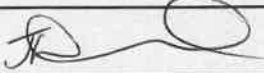
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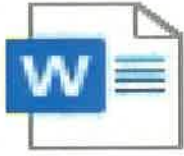
For a trade union with no more than 10,000 members at the end of the reporting period preceding the one to which this audit relates.

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	JOHN HOWARD ON BEHALF OF AZETS AUDIT SERVICES
Office held	PARTNER
Date	17 JUNE 2024



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