

Statements to Members 2023 Confederation of British Surgery

CBS submitted its Annual Return to the Certification Office, following sign-off by Executive Board Members on 29 May 2024. A full copy of the AR21 submission is available [here](#).

In line with the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 the following statement is issued:

Total Income: £26,322

Total Expenditure: £15.364

Nil salary paid

Irregularity statement

'A member who is concerned that some irregularity may be occurring, or have occurred, in the conduct of the financial affairs of the union may take steps with a view to investigating further, obtaining clarification and, if necessary, securing regularisation of that conduct.

The member may raise any such concern with such one or more of the following as it seems appropriate to raise it with: the officials of the union, the trustees of the property of the union, the auditor or auditors of the union, the Certification Officer (who is an independent officer appointed by the Secretary of State) and the police.

Where a member believes that the financial affairs of the union have been or are being conducted in breach of the law or in breach of the rules of the union and contemplates bringing civil proceedings against the union or responsible officials or trustees, he should consider obtaining independent legal advice.'



Surgical Advisory Service & Medico Legal Support

Access independent and confidential support

For advice and assistance, please call: 07498 322935 or email: advice@cbsgb.co.uk

The Confederation of British Surgery *created by Surgeons for the Surgical Team*

https://www.cbsgb.co.uk/membership_information.aspx

**Report of the Executive Council and
Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2023
for
Confederation of British Surgery**

**Contents of the Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023**

	Page
Information	1
Report of the Executive Council	2
Report of the Independent Auditors	3
Profit and Loss Account	6
Balance Sheet	7
Notes to the Financial Statements	8

Confederation of British Surgery
Information
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

Executive Council: Mr Mark Henley
Mr Peter Sedman
Miss Shireen Mckenzie
Mr Mansoor Khan
Mr Simon Kendall
Mr Alistair Jenkins
Mrs Helen Crookes
Professor Duncan Summerton

Registered number: 830T

Auditors: Ballards LLP
Statutory Auditor
Oakmoore Court
Kingswood Road
Hampton Lovett
WR9 0QH

Bankers: Bank of Scotland
600 Gorgie Road
Edinburgh
EH11 3XP

Confederation of British Surgery

**Report of the Executive Council
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023**

Members of the Executive Council

The directors shown below have held office during the whole of the period from 1 January 2023 to the date of this report.

Mr Mark Henley
Mr Peter Sedman
Miss Shireen Mckenzie
Mr Mansoor Khan
Mr Simon Kendall
Mr Alistair Jenkins
Mrs Helen Crookes
Professor Duncan Summerton

Statement of the Executive Council's' responsibilities

The members of the Executive Council are responsible for preparing the Report of the Executive Council and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to trade unions in England & Wales requires the Executive Council to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the association and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the association for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Executive Council is required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the association will continue in operation.

The members of the Executive Council are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the association and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the association and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

On behalf of the Executive Council:


.....

M Henley

24 May 2024

Date:

Report of the Independent Auditors to the Members of Confederation of British Surgery

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of the Confederation of British Surgery for the year ended 31 December 2023 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)'.

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the association's affairs as at 31 December 2023 and of its profit for the year then ended; and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

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 association in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Executive Council's use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the entity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the original financial statements were authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Executive Council with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The Executive Council are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

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

- (a) the trade union has not kept proper accounting records in accordance with the requirements of section 28.
- (b) it has not maintained a satisfactory system of control over its transactions in accordance with the requirements of that section, and
- (c) the accounts to which the report relates do not agree with the accounting records.

Responsibilities of the Executive Council

As explained more fully in the Executive Council's responsibilities statement set out on page 1, the members of the Executive Council 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 Council 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 Council is responsible for assessing the association'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 Council either intends to liquidate the association 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.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

Identifying and assessing potential risks related to irregularities

In identifying and assessing risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, we considered the following:

- the nature of the industry and sector, control environment and business performance;
- results of our enquiries of management about their own identification and assessment of the risks of irregularities;
- any matters we identified having obtained and reviewed the organisation's documentation of their policies and procedures relating to: – identifying, evaluating and complying with laws and regulations and whether they were aware of any instances of non-compliance; – detecting and responding to the risks of fraud and whether they have knowledge of any actual, suspected or alleged fraud; – the internal controls established to mitigate risks of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations;
- the matters discussed among the audit engagement team regarding how and where fraud might occur in the financial statements and any potential indicators of fraud.

Audit response to risks identified

In addition to the above, our procedures to respond to risks identified included the following

- performing analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships that may indicate risks of material misstatement due to fraud;
- reading minutes of meetings of those charged with governance; and
- in addressing the risk of fraud through management override of controls, testing the appropriateness of journal entries and other adjustments; assessing whether the judgements made in making accounting estimates are indicative of potential bias; and evaluating the business rationale of any significant transactions that are unusual or outside the normal course of business.

We also communicated relevant identified laws and regulations and potential fraud risks to all engagement team members and remained alert to any indications of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations throughout the audit.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Use of our report

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



Benjamin Powell MSci ACA CTA (Senior Statutory Auditor)
For and on behalf of Ballards LLP, Statutory Auditor
Chartered Accountants
Oakmoore Court
11c Kingswood Road
Hampton Lovett
Droitwich
Worcestershire
WR9 0QH

Date: 28/05/2024

Confederation of British Surgery
Profit and Loss Account for
the Year Ended 31 December 2023

		2023	2022
		£	£
Turnover		-	-
Cost of sales		-	-
Gross profit		-	-
Administrative expenses		(15,364)	(15,719)
Other operating income	4	26,322	16,574
Operating profit before taxation		10,958	855
Tax on profit/(loss)		-	-
Profit/(loss) for the financial year		<u>10,958</u>	<u>855</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

Confederation of British Surgery (Registered number: 830T)

**Balance Sheet
31 December 2023**

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	5	82	109
		<hr/> 82	109
Current assets			
Debtors	6	5,048	2,092
Cash at bank		18,037	6,547
		<hr/> 23,085	8,639
Creditors			
Amounts falling due within one year	7	6,813	7,139
		<hr/> 16,272	1,500
Net current assets/(liabilities)			
		16,354	1,609
Creditors			
Amounts falling due after more than one year	8	31,527	27,740
		<hr/> (15,173)	(26,131)
Net liabilities			
		<hr/> (15,173)	(26,131)
Reserves			
Retained earnings		<hr/> (15,173)	(26,131)
		<hr/> (15,173)	(26,131)

The financial statements were approved by the Executive Council and authorised for issue on 24 May 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:



M Henley

The notes form part of these financial statements

Confederation of British Surgery

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

1. Statutory information

The Confederation of British Surgery is an unincorporated association registered as a trade union. The association reports to the Certification Officer for Trade Unions as required by the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992. The association's registration details can be found on Page 1.

2. Accounting policies

Basis of preparing the financial statements

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" including the provisions of Section 1A "Small Entities" and the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

Debtors and creditors receivable / payable within one year

Debtors and creditors with no stated interest rate and receivable or payable within one year are recorded at transaction price. Any losses arising from impairment are recognised in the profit and loss account in other administrative expenses.

Taxation

Current tax represents the amount of tax payable or receivable in respect of the taxable profit (or loss) for the current or past reporting periods. It is measured at the amount expected to be paid or recovered using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

Deferred tax represents the future tax consequences of transactions and events recognised in the financial statements of current and previous periods. It is recognised in respect of all timing differences, with certain exceptions. Timing differences are differences between taxable profits and total comprehensive income as stated in the financial statements that arise from the inclusion of income and expense in tax assessments in periods different from those in which they are recognised in the financial statements. Unrelieved tax losses and other deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that it is probable that they will be recovered against the reversal of deferred tax liabilities or other future taxable profits.

Deferred tax is measured using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date that are expected to apply to the reversal of timing differences. Deferred tax on revalued non-depreciable tangible fixed assets and investment properties is measured using the rates and allowances that apply to the sale of the asset.

Confederation of British Surgery

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

2. Accounting policies - continued

Turnover and other income

Turnover is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable net of VAT and trade discounts. The policies adopted for the recognition of turnover are as follows:

Membership subscriptions

Income from annual membership subscriptions is recognised by reference to the period covered by the subscription. Income from life membership subscriptions is released to the profit and loss account in equal instalments over the average period during which the life membership is expected to be used (19 years).

Tangible assets

Tangible assets are stated in the balance sheet at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses. The cost of tangible assets includes directly attributable incremental costs incurred in their acquisition and installation.

Depreciation

Depreciation is charged so as to write off the cost of assets, other than land and properties under construction over their estimated useful lives, as follows:

Asset class	Depreciation method and rate
Fixtures & fittings	25% reducing balance

Going concern

The deficit of assets shown on the balance sheet arises from the allocation of non-refundable subscriptions, in particular life membership subscriptions, across the whole period of membership and does not indicate that the association is not a going concern.

3. Employees and Executive Council members

The average number of employees during the year was 1 (2022 - 1).

Confederation of British Surgery

**Notes to the financial statements – continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023**

4. Other operating income

	2023	2022
	£	£
Membership subscriptions	13,014	15,324
Other income	<u>13,308</u>	<u>1,250</u>
	26,322	16,574

5. Tangible fixed assets

	Fixtures & Fittings	Total
	£	£
Cost		
At 1 January 2023	194	194
At 31 December 2023	194	194
<hr/>		
Depreciation		
At 1 January 2023	85	85
Charge for the year	27	27
At 31 December 2023	112	112
<hr/>		
Carrying amount		
At 1 January 2023	109	109
At 31 December 2023	<u>82</u>	<u>82</u>

6. Debtors

	2023	2022
	£	£
Trade debtors	250	250
Prepayments	<u>4,798</u>	<u>1,842</u>
	5,048	2,092

Confederation of British Surgery

Notes to the financial statements – continued for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

7. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Other creditors	100	100
Deferred income	3,113	3,439
Accrued expenses	3,600	3,600
	<u>6,813</u>	<u>7,139</u>

8. Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	<u>31,527</u>	<u>27,740</u>

9. Related party transactions

The trade union employees are directly employed by Mark Henley Associates Limited and cross-charged to the union. Mark Henley Associates Limited is owned by the president of the union, Mark Henley. £Nil (2022 – Nil) was charged in the year for these staff.

Other Income for 2023 includes £13,007.40 (2022: £nil) received from Indigo Indemnity Limited. Indigo Indemnity Limited is owned by the president of the union, Mark Henley.