

Form AR21

Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992

Annual Return for a Trade Union

Name of Trade Union:	Psychotherapy and Counselling Union		
Year ended:	31 December 2023		
List no:	832T		
Head or Main Office address:	Virtual Office		
	34 King Edward Road		
	Northampton		
Postcode	NN1 5LU		
Website address (if available)	https://www.psychotherapyandcounsellingunion.co.uk/		
Has the address changed during the year to which the return relates?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	('X' in appropriate box)
General Secretary:	(Position vacant)		
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Please follow the guidance notes in the completion of this return

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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
	853	2			855
Total	853	2			A 855

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

855

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
Executive Committee Member	Gavin Robinson		16 April 2023
Treasurer	Mike Shallcross	John Spencer-Davis	17 September 2023
Executive Committee Member	Jay Beichman		15 October 2023
Executive Committee Member	Juliet Lyons	Ruth Jones	19 February 2023
Social Media Officer		Helen Watson	05 June 2023
North & Midlands branch rep.	Elaine Bond		16 July 2023

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 and date elected
Richard Bagnall-Oakley	Executive Committee Member, 18 May 2020
Sasha Kaplin	Member Support Coordinator, 31 December 2020
Ruth Jones	Executive Committee Member, 19 February 2023
John Spencer-Davis	Treasurer, 17 September 2023
James D West	Executive Committee Member, 8 May 2021
Anne Lee	Executive Committee Member, 8 May 2021
Senga Hashimi	Administrator, 2 August 2021
Helen Watson	Social Media Officer, 5 June 2023
Jo Heaton	Scotland branch rep., 4 September 2022
LJ Potter	EDI Officer, 20 May 2023 (resigned 16 March 2024)

General Fund

(see notes 13 to 18)

	£	£
Income		
From Members: Contributions and Subscriptions		43,433
From Members: Other income from members (specify)		
Total other income from members		
Total of all income from members		43,433
Investment income (as at page 12)		1,185
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		44,618
Interfund Transfers IN		
Expenditure		
Benefits to members (as at page 5)		
Administrative expenses (as at page 10)		15,955
Federation and other bodies (specify)		
GFTU		979
CTUK		200
Total expenditure Federation and other bodies		1,179
Taxation		
Total expenditure		17,134
Interfund Transfers OUT		
Surplus (deficit) for year		27,484
Amount of general fund at beginning of year		72,428
Amount of general fund at end of year		99,912

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

(See notes 21 and 23)

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

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

(See notes 21 and 23)

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

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

(See notes 21 and 23)

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

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

(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 <u>Balance Sheet</u>)
	Number of members at end of year contributing to the political fund
	Number of members at end of the year not contributing to the political fund
	Number of members at end of year who have completed an exemption notice and do not contribute to the political fund

Political fund account 2 To be completed by trade unions which act as components of a central trade union

Income	Contributions and levies collected from members on behalf of central political fund		
	Funds received back from central political fund		
	Other income (specify)		
		Total other income as specified	
		Total income	
Expenditure	Expenditure under section 82 of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 (specify)		
	Administration expenses in connection with political objects(specify)		
	Non-political expenditure		
		Total expenditure	
		Surplus (deficit) for year	
		Amount held on behalf of trade union political fund at beginning of year	
		Amount remitted to central political	
		Amount held on behalf of central political fund at end of year	
		Number of members at end of year contributing to the political fund	
		Number of members at end of the year not contributing to the political fund	
		Number of members at end of year who have completed an exemption notice and do not therefore contribute to the political fund	

Political fund account expenditure (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 (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 maintenance of any holder of political office	
Name of office holder	£
Total	

Political fund account expenditure (e)

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

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

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

Name of political party	£
Total	

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

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

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

Total expenditure

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

Total expenditure

(c) the total amount of all other money expended		£

Total expenditure

Total of all expenditures

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

(see notes 34 and 35)

	£
Administrative Expenses	
Remuneration and expenses of staff	11,046
Salaries and Wages included in above	11,046
Auditors' fees	2,100
Legal and Professional fees	833
Occupancy costs	
Stationery, printing, postage, telephone, etc.	638
Expenses of Executive Committee (Head Office)	137
Expenses of conferences	
Other administrative expenses (specify)	
Other administrative expenses	1,129
Bank charges	72
Other Outgoings	
Outgoings on land and buildings (specify)	
Other outgoings (specify)	
tretert	
Total	15,955
Charged to: General Fund (Page 3)	15,955
Total	15,955

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	
					£	
Administrator (SH, self employed)	4,951					
Member Support Co-ordinator (SK, self employed)	4,000					
Social Media Officer (HW, self-employed)	2,095					

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			1,185
Other investment income (specify)			
			1,185
		Total investment income	1,185
		Credited to:	
		General Fund (Page 3)	1,185
		Political Fund	
		Total Investment Funds	1,185

Balance sheet as at

31 December 2023

(see notes 49 to 52)

Previous Year		£	£
180 74,348	Fixed Assets (at page 14)		
	Investments (as per analysis on page 15)		
	Quoted (Market value £ ())		
	Unquoted		
	Total Investments		
	Other Assets		
74,528	Loans to other trade unions		180
	Sundry debtors		105,832
	Cash at bank and in hand		
	Income tax to be recovered		
	Stocks of goods		
	Others (specify)		
	Total of other assets		106,012
74,528		Total assets	106,012
72,428	General fund (page 3)		99,912
	Political Fund Account		
	Accruals		
	Liabilities		
	Amount held on behalf of central trade union political fund		
	Accruals		6,100
£74,528		Total liabilities	6,100
		Total assets	106,012

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)

		All Funds Except Political Funds £	Political Fund £
Quoted	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 style="width: 40px; height: 20px;" type="checkbox"/>	No <input style="width: 40px; height: 20px;" 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 style="width: 40px; height: 20px;" type="checkbox"/>	No <input style="width: 40px; height: 20px;" 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	43,433		43,433
From Investments	1,185		1,185
Other Income (including increases by revaluation of assets)			
Total Income	44,618		44,618
Expenditure (including decreases by revaluation of assets)			
Total Expenditure	17,134		17,134
Funds at beginning of year (including reserves)	72,428		72,428
Funds at end of year (including reserves)	99,912		99,912
Assets			
Fixed Assets			
Investment Assets			
Other Assets			106,012
Total Assets			106,012
Liabilities			
Total Liabilities			6,100
Net Assets (Total Assets less Total Liabilities)			99,912

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)

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

Ballot 4

Number of individual who were entitled to vote in the ballot

Number of votes cast in the ballot

Number of Individuals answering "Yes" to the question 1

Number of individuals answering "No" to the question 2

Number of invalid or otherwise spoiled voting papers returned 3

1-3 should total "Number of votes cast"

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

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

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

Ballot 5

Number of individual who were entitled to vote in the ballot

Number of votes cast in the ballot

Number of Individuals answering "Yes" to the question 1

Number of individuals answering "No" to the question 2

Number of invalid or otherwise spoiled voting papers returned 3

1-3 should total "Number of votes cast"

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

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

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

Ballot 6

Number of individual who were entitled to vote in the ballot

Number of votes cast in the ballot

Number of Individuals answering "Yes" to the question 1

Number of individuals answering "No" to the question 2

Number of invalid or otherwise spoiled voting papers returned 3

1-3 should total "Number of votes cast"

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

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

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

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

(see note 81)

***Categories of Nature of Trade Dispute**

- A: terms and conditions of employment, or the physical conditions in which any workers require to work;
- B: engagement or non-engagement, or termination or suspension of employment or the duties of employment, of one or more workers;
- C: allocation of work or the duties of employment between workers or groups of workers;
- D: matters of discipline;
- E: a worker's membership or non-membership of a trade union;
- F: facilities for officials of trade unions;
- G: machinery for negotiation or consultation, and other procedures, relating to any of the above matters, including the recognition by employers or employers' associations of the right of a trade union to represent workers in such negotiation or consultation or in the carrying out of such procedures

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

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

Industrial Action 1

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

A B C D E F G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken: to

3. Number of days of industrial action:

4. Nature of industrial action.

Industrial Action 2

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

A B C D E F G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken: to

3. Number of days of industrial action:

4. Nature of industrial action.

Industrial Action 3

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

A B C D E F G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken: to

3. Number of days of industrial action:

4. Nature of industrial action.

use a continuation page if necessary

Industrial Action 4

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

A B C D E F G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken: to

3. Number of days of industrial action:

4. Nature of industrial action.

Industrial Action 5

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

A B C D E F G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken: to

3. Number of days of industrial action:

4. Nature of industrial action.

Industrial Action 6

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

A B C D E F G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken: to

3. Number of days of industrial action:

4. Nature of industrial action.

Industrial Action 7

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

A B C D E F G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken: to

3. Number of days of industrial action:

4. Nature of industrial action.

Industrial Action 8

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

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2. Dates of the industrial action taken: to

3. Number of days of industrial action:

4. Nature of industrial action.

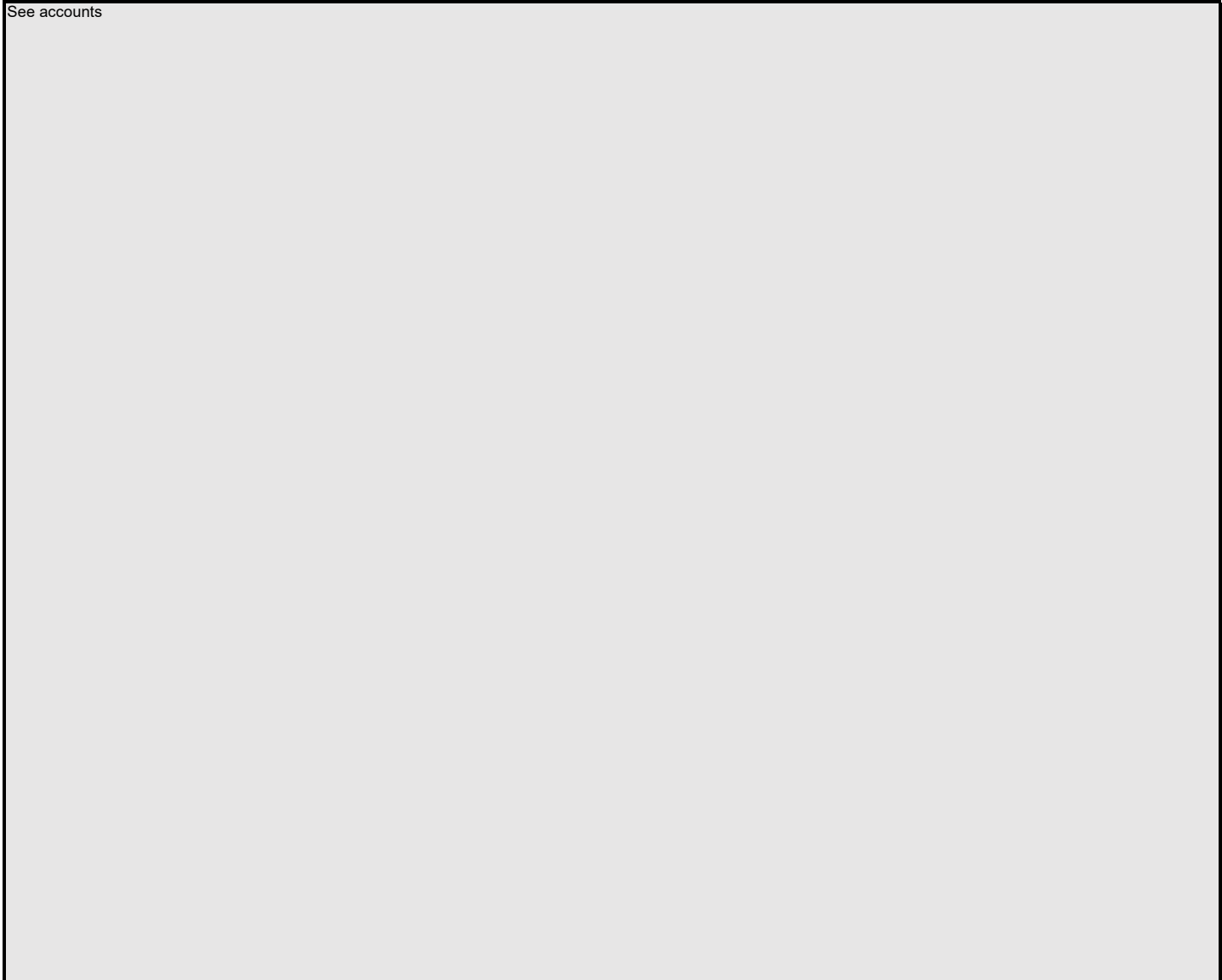
Ballots & Industrial Action- If you have 6 or more entries for either of these, please complete the Excel Spreadsheet

Notes to the accounts

(see notes 82 and 83)

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

See accounts



Accounting policies


(see notes 84 and 85)

See accounts

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: <u>John M. Spencer-Davis</u>	Chairman's Signature: 
Name: John Spencer-Davis	Name: Richard Bagnall-Oakley
Date: 26 May 2024	Date: 26/05/2024

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	X	No	
Has the list of officers in post been completed? (see Page 2 and Note 12)	Yes	X	No	
Has the return been signed? (see Pages 23 and 25 and Notes 86 and 95)	Yes	X	No	
Has the auditor'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	X	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	X	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)

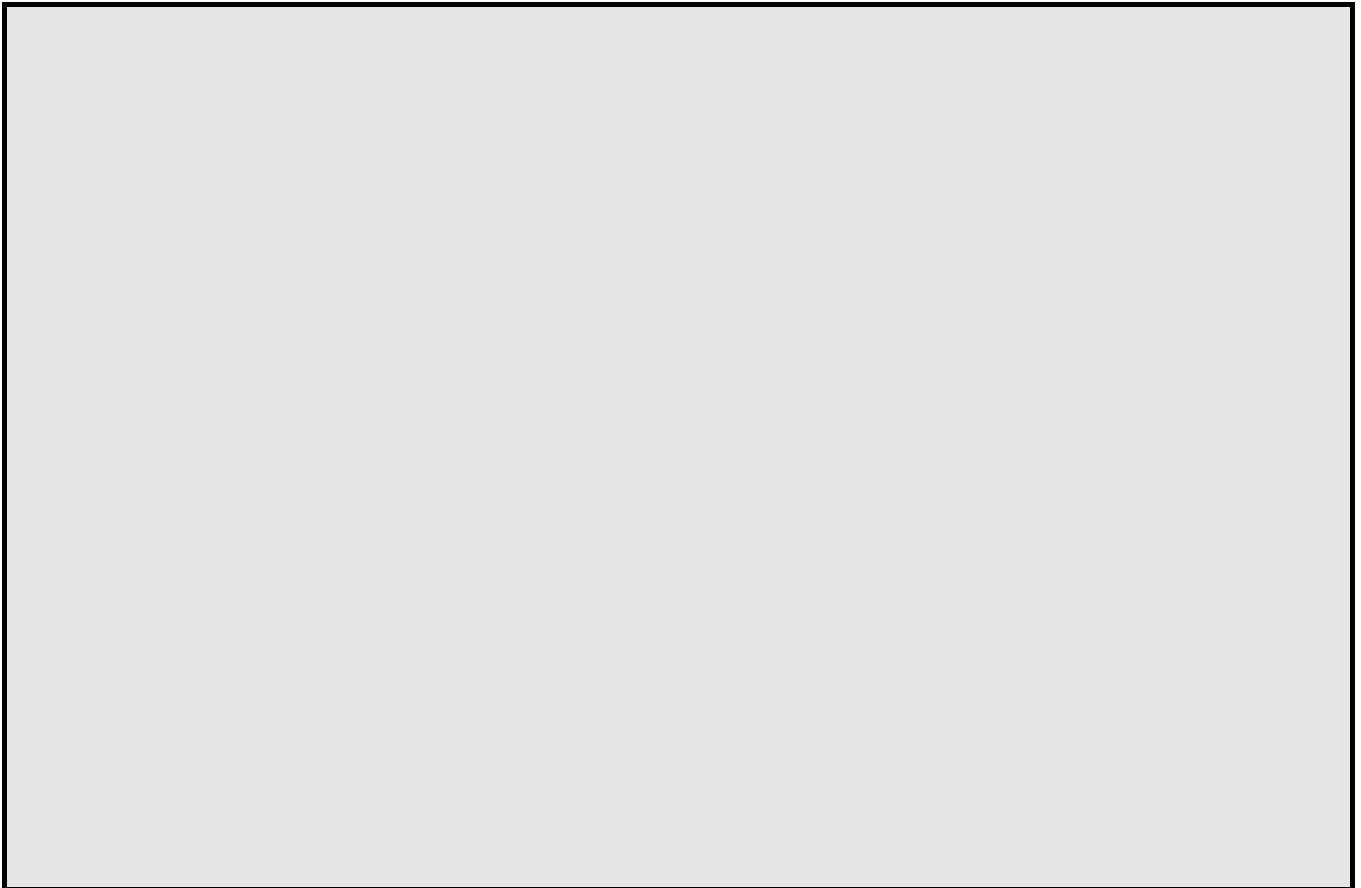
Please explain in your report overleaf or attached

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:

Name(s):

Sturgess Hutchinson (Leicester)
Limited

Profession(s) or Calling(s):

Chartered Certified Accountants

Address(es):

21 New Walk

Leicester

Postcode

LE1 6TE

Date

26/05/2024

Contact name for inquiries and
telephone number:

David Goodwin 0116 2551880

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

The Psychotherapy and Counselling Union

Report and Accounts

31 December 2023

**The Psychotherapy and Counselling Union
Report and accounts
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The Psychotherapy and Counselling Union Union Details

Auditors

Sturgess Hutchinson (Leicester) Limited
21 New Walk
Leicester
LE1 6TE

Bankers

Unity Trust Bank
9 Brindley Place
Birmingham
B1 2HB

Head office

Virtual Office
34 King Edward Road
Northampton
NN1 5LU

The Psychotherapy and Counselling Union Statement of National Treasurers Responsibilities

Law applicable to trade unions in England and Wales requires the national treasurer to prepare financial statements that give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Association at the end of the financial year and of its surplus or deficit for the financial year. In doing so the national treasurer is required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the association will continue in business.

The national treasurer is responsible for maintaining proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the association and enable him to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992. The treasurer is 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.

The Psychotherapy and Counselling Union
Independent auditor's report
to the members of The Psychotherapy and Counselling Union

Opinion

We have audited the accounts of The Psychotherapy and Counselling Union for the year ended 31 December 2023 which comprise the Income and Expenditure Account, the Balance Sheet and notes to the accounts, 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 the Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the accounts:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Association's affairs as at 31 December 2023 and of its surplus for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice;
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.

Basis of 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 accounts section of our report. We are independent of the association in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the accounts in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and the provisions available for small entities, in the circumstances set out below, 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.

In accordance with the exemption provided by FRC's Ethical Standard - Provisions Available for Audits of Small Entities, we have assisted with the preparation of the accounts.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the members' 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 union's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

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

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the report and accounts, other than the accounts and our auditor's report thereon. The national treasurer and secretary are responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the accounts 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 accounts, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the accounts 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 accounts 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.

The Psychotherapy and Counselling Union
Independent auditor's report
to the members of The Psychotherapy and Counselling Union

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

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

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

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the accounts 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; or

Responsibilities of national treasurer and secretary

As explained more fully in the national treasurers responsibilities statement, the national treasurer and secretary are responsible for the preparation of the accounts and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the national treasurer determines is necessary to enable the preparation of accounts that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the accounts, the national treasurer and secretary are 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 committee 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 accounts

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the accounts 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 accounts.

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



Mr David Goodwin
(Senior Statutory Auditor)

for and on behalf of

Sturgess Hutchinson (Leicester) Limited
Accountants and Statutory Auditors

26 May 2024

21 New Walk

Leicester

LE1 6TE

**The Psychotherapy and Counselling Union
Income and Expenditure Account
for the year ended 31 December 2023**

	2023	2022
	£	£
Subscriptions	43,433	35,389
Administrative expenses		
Employment related issues	-	-
Audit fees	(2,100)	(2,100)
Other legal and professional	(833)	(919)
Federation and other bodies	(1,179)	(1,443)
Other administrative expenses	(1,129)	(943)
Staff costs	(11,046)	(12,483)
Executive committee expenses	(137)	(603)
Bank charges	(72)	(99)
Other outgoings	(638)	(506)
Operating surplus	26,299	16,293
Interest receivable	1,185	247
Surplus for the financial year	27,484	16,540

The Psychotherapy and Counselling Union

Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2023

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
Current assets			
Debtors	3	180	180
Cash at bank and in hand		105,832	74,348
		<u>106,012</u>	<u>74,528</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year			
	4	(6,100)	(2,100)
Net current assets		<u>99,912</u>	<u>72,428</u>
Net assets		<u>99,912</u>	<u>72,428</u>
Capital and reserves			
General Fund		99,912	72,428
Members' funds		<u>99,912</u>	<u>72,428</u>

John M. Spencer-Davis

J Spencer-Davis
Treasurer

Approved on behalf of the union on 26 May 2024

**The Psychotherapy and Counselling Union
Notes to the Accounts
for the year ended 31 December 2023**

1 Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with FRS 102, The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (as applied to small entities by section 1A of the standard).

Income

Income consists of membership income and interest which are accounted for on a accruals basis.

Expenditure

Expenditure is accounted for when incurred.

2 Status

The Union is a members voluntary organisation that is open to all counsellors and psychotherapists in the UK. The executive committee are involved in the running of the Union in accordance with the Union Constitution.

3 Debtors	2023	2022
	£	£
Other debtors	180	180
4 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2023	2022
	£	£
Other creditors	6,100	2,100

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

- 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 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:

- (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.

PSYCHOTHERAPY AND COUNSELLING UNION

Statement to members issued in connection with the union's annual return for the period ended December 31st 2023

As required by Section 32A of Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992

Income and Expenditure

The total income of the union for the period was £44,618. This amount included payments of £43,433 in respect of membership income of the union. The union's total expenditure for the period was £17,134.

Political Fund

In respect of the union's political fund, its total income was £0 and total expenditure was £0.

Salary paid to and other benefits provided to the General Secretary & Executive Committee Members

The General Secretary and all Executive Committee Members were not paid any amount in respect of salary or benefits.

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.

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Mr David Goodwin (Senior Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of Sturgess Hutchinson (Leicester) Limited Accountants and Statutory Auditors	21 New Walk Leicester LE1 6TE
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Membership audit certificate (continued)

Signature of assurer	
Name	
Address	
Date	
Contact name and telephone number	

Membership audit certificate

Section two

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

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

Yes

If "No" Please explain below:

[Large greyed-out area for explanation]

Signature	<u>John M. Spencer-Davis</u>
Name	John Spencer-Davis
Office held	Treasurer
Date	