### Form AR21

Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992

### **Annual Return for a Trade Union**

Name of Trade Union:	Nationwide Group Staff Union
Year ended:	31 December 2024
List no:	
Head or Main Office address:	37 Main Road
	Middleton Cheney
	Oxfordshire
Postcode	OX17 2QT
Website address (if available)	https://ngsu.org.uk/
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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
	12,203	158				12,361
Total	12,203	158			Α	12,361

	12,2	03 15	8						12,36
Total	12,2	03 15	8					Α	12,36
Number of m	embers at end of	year contributing to the	e Gene	ral Fund					12,361
Number of m	embers included i	n totals box 'A' above	for who	om no home or a	authorise	ed addro	ess is		
		Chan	ge	of Office	rs				
Please com	plete the followin	g to record any chan	ges of	officers during	g the tw	elve mo	onths cov	ered	by this return
Posit	ion Held	Name of Office ceasing to hold Of		Nan Officer A	ne of ppointe	d	D	ate o	f change
See append	dix 1								
04 - 4 41-	41								
	ner the union is: ranch of another	trade union?		Yes		N	lo x		
If ye	s, state the nam	e of that other union	:						
b. A fe	deration of trade	e unions?		Yes		N	lo x		
If	f yes, state the n	umber of affiliated u	nions:		]				
		and n	ames:						

# 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
Please see attached appendix 1	

### **Nationwide Group Staff Union**

### Union Officers at 31st December 2024

President	Matthew Stanley
Vice-President	Jean Sandra Morgan
Treasurer	Sarah Daly
Executive Officer	Nicola Trudi Sellars
Executive Officer	Benjamin Arthur Garratt
Executive Officer	Joanne Marie Williams
Executive Officer	Karen Burnell
Executive Officer	Louise Chissell
Executive Officer	Katie Houghton
Executive Officer	Nimisha Nandha
Executive Officer	Omar Mirza
National Regional Officer - Retail Services (Non-Branch) & Products	Natalie Rogers
National Regional Officer - COO (Technology)	Peter Goldsworthy
National Regional Officer - Mortgages (Servicing & Other Areas)	lain Jeffree
National Regional Officer - North One	Helen Parker
National Regional Officer - Central Communities	Sarah Daly
National Regional Officer - South One	Christine Cooper
National Regional Officer - South Two	Jean Sandra Morgan

### Union Officers who resigned from their position in 2024

Karol Kubik	left the Society in August 2024
Ridvald Dhimo	left the Society in August 2024

### **General Fund**

(see notes 13 to 18)

	£	£
Income  From Mombaros Contributions and Subscriptions		1 450 000
From Members: Contributions and Subscriptions From Members: Other income from members (specify)		1,458,009
Draw income		377,030
Total other income from members		377,030
Total of all income from members		1,835,039
Investment income (as at page 12)		43,490
Other Income		
Income from Federations and other bodies (as at page 4)		
Income from any other sources (as at page 4)	21,670	
Total of other income (as at page 4)		21,670
Total income		1,900,199
Interfund Transfers IN Expenditure		
Benefits to members (as at page 5)		1,046,402
Administrative expenses (as at page 10)		661,226
Federation and other bodies (specify)		
Total expenditure Federation and other bodies		
Taxation		
Total expenditure		1,707,628
Interfund Transfers OUT		16,692
Surplus (deficit) for year		192,571
Amount of general fund at beginning of year		1,988,099
Amount of general fund at end of year		2,163,978

# 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	
Bank interest	9,421
Insurance commission Other commission	4,504 2,491
Dividend income	5,254
Total other sources	21,670
Total of all other income	21,670

# **Analysis of benefit expenditure** shown at the General Fund

(see notes 21 to 23)

			£
Representation –		brought forward	1,016,399
Employment Related Issues		Advisory Services	
Members benefits	9,164	Legal and professional	34,161
Staff costs	931,881		
Representation –		Other Cash Payments	
Non Employment Related Issues			
		Education and Training services	
		Training	4,679
Communications			
Website costs	8,897		
Publications	1,128		
Postage	11,478		
Telephone	11,758		
TUC affilication fee	39,565		
		Negotiated Discount Services	
Dispute Benefits			
Disciplinary and grievance meetings	2,528		
		Other Benefits and Grants (specify)	
		Vat recovered	-8,837
carried forward	1,016,399	Total (should agree with figure in General Fund)	1,046,402

Fund	2		Fund Account
Name:	Charitable fund	£	£
Income			
	From members		
	Investment income (as at page 12)		
	Other income (specify)		
	Total other	income as specified	
		Total Income	
		Interfund Transfers IN	16,692
Expenditure			
	Benefits to members		
	Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page 10)		2,000
		Total Expenditure	2,000
	In	terfund Transfers OUT	
	Surplus	(Deficit) for the year	-2,000
	Amount of fund	at beginning of year	6,453
	Amount of fund at the end of year	ar (as Balance Sheet)	21,145
	Number of members contri	outing at end of year	

Fund	3		Fund Account
Name:		£	£
Income			
	From members		
	Investment income (as at page 12)		
	Other income (specify)		
	Total other	ncome as specified	
		Total Income	
	I	nterfund Transfers IN	
Expenditure			
	Benefits to members		
	Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page 10)		
		Total Expenditure	
	Inte	erfund 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 contrib	uting at end of year	

Fund 4			Fund Account
Name:		£	£
Income			
	From members		
	Investment income (as at page 12)		
	Other income (specify)		
	Total other inc	come as specified	
		Total Income	
	Inte	erfund Transfers IN	
Expenditure			
	Benefits to members		
	Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page 10)		
		Total Expenditure	
	Interfu	und Transfers OUT	
		F	
		eficit) for the year	
	Amount of fund at		
	Amount of fund at the end of year (a	as Balance Sheet)	
		r	
	Number of members contribut	ing 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	
	Inte	erfund Transfers IN	
Expenditure			
	Benefits to members		
	Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page 10)		
		Total Expenditure	
	Interfu	und Transfers OUT	
		eficit) for the year	
	Amount of fund at		
	Amount of fund at the end of year (a	as Balance Sheet)	
	Number of members contribut	ing at end of year	

Fund 6	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		Fund Account
Name:		£	£
Income			
	From members		
	Investment income (as at page 12)		
	Other income (specify)		
	Total other in	come as specified	
	Total other in	Total Income	
	Int	terfund Transfers IN	
Expenditure	IIII	Citatia Transicis IIV	
Lxperialture	Benefits to members		
	Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page 10)		
		Total Expenditure	
		fund Transfers OUT	
		l	
	Surplus (E	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 contribut	ting at end of year	

Fund	7		Fund Account
Name:		£	£
ncome			
	From members		
	Investment income (as at page 12)		
	Other income (specify)		
	Total other	r income as specified	
		Total Income	
		Interfund Transfers IN	
xpenditure		•	
	Benefits to members		
	Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page 10)		
		Total Expenditure	
	Ir	terfund Transfers OUT	
		_	
	Surplus	s (Deficit) for the year	
	Amount of fund	l at beginning of year	
	Amount of fund at the end of year	ar (as Balance Sheet)	
	Number of members contri	buting at end of year	

Fund 8	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		Fund Account
Name:		£	£
Income			
	From members		
	Investment income (as at page 12)		
	Other income (specify)		
	Total office in		
	i otai otner in	come as specified	
	1-4	Total Income	
<b>-</b>	ini	erfund Transfers IN	
Expenditure	Donofito to manuface		
	Benefits to members		
	Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page 10)	Total Expanditure	
		Total Expenditure	
	inten	fund Transfers OUT	
	Surplus /F	eficit) for the year	
	Amount of fund at		
	Amount of fund at the end of year (	as Dalance Sheet)	
	Number of members contribut	ing at and of year	
	Number of members contribut	any 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	
	Inter	fund Transfers OUT	
		<u>-</u>	
	Surplus (D	eficit) for the year	
	Amount of fund at	beginning of year	
	Amount of fund at the end of year (	as Balance Sheet)	
	Number of members contribut	ing at end of year	

### Political fund account

		(see notes 24 to 33)	£	£
Political fun	d account 1 To be con	npleted by trade unions which maintain their o	own political fund	
	Income	Members contributions and levies		
		Investment income (as at page 12)	•	
	Other income (specify)	(======================================		
		Total ot	her income as specified	
			Total income	
		on and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act political funds exceeds £2,000 during the per		out in section (72) (1)
		Expenditure A (as at page i)		
		Expenditure B (as at page ii)		
		Expenditure C (as at page iii)		
		Expenditure D (as at page iv)		
		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 fu	und at beginning of year	
		Amount of political fund at the end of y	ear (as <u>Balance Sheet</u> )	
		Number of members at end of year contribu	uting to the political fund	
		umber of members at end of the year not contribu		
Nu	mber of members at end of year who h	ave completed an exemption notice and do not cont	ribute to the political fund	
Political fun	d account 2 To be completed	by trade unions which act as components of	a central trade union	
Income	Contributions and levies collected from	m members on behalf of central political fund		
	Funds received back from central po	·		
	Other income (specify)			
	(срезлу)			
			Total other income	as specified
			Т	otal income
Expenditure				
	Expenditure under section 82 of the T	rade Union and Labour Relations		
	(Consolidation) Act 1992 (specify)			
	(,			
	Administration expenses in	connection with political objects(specify)		
	Non-political expenditure	ocimiosisii miii poilissa objesto(eposiiy)		
	. to pointour oxperiantic		Total expenditure	
			Surplus (deficit) for year	
		Amount held on behalf of trade union political	· ` ` ´ ´ •	
		·	emitted to central political	
		Amount held on behalf of central po	· •	
		Number of members at end of year contril	· •	
		Number of members at end of the year not contrib		
Number of m	nembers at end of year who have comp	leted an exemption notice and do not therefore cont	ribute to the political fund	

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

### Political fund account expenditure (a)

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

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

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

### 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  $\pounds 2,000$  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	
	£	
Tota	ı	

### Political fund account expenditure (c)

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

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

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

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

### Political fund account expenditure (d)

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

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

Expenditure on the maintaince of any holder of political office		
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		

### Political fund account expenditure (f)

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

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

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

Name of organisation or political party

£

Name of organisation 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	on 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 expen	diture	
(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 expen	diture	
(c) the total amount of all other money expended		£
Total expen	diture	
Total of all expendi	turae	

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

(see notes 34 and 35)

Administrative Expenses		£
		400.070
Remuneration and expenses of staff	400.070	132,376
Salaries and Wages included in above	132,376	
Auditors' fees		32,730
Legal and Professional fees		4,406
Occupancy costs		12,974
Stationery, printing, postage, telephone, etc.		1,078
Expenses of Executive Committee (Head Office)		
Expenses of conferences		
Other administrative expenses (specify)		
Cleaning		4,840
Insurance		5,156
Accountancy systems		11,834
Repairs		2,241
Utilites		7,375
Other expenses		2,218
Motor		29,124
Office and computer		52,344
· ·		,
Other Outgoings		
National conference		42,388
National executive		1,947
TUC meetings		2,758
Other		10,311
Sundry		3,498
Depreciation		11,785
Amortisation		7,862
Amortication		7,002
Outgoings on land and buildings (specify)		
Other outgoings (specify)		
Prizes awarded		281,981
	Total	·
Charged to:	General Fund (Page 3)	661,226
	Charitable fund	2,000
	Total	663,226

# 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	
	£	£	£		£	£
General Secretary	95,004	12,818	14,251	Car and other allowances	6,480	128,553

# **Analysis of investment income**

(see notes 47 and 48)

	(3cc notes 47 and 40)	I	
	Political Fund £	Oth Fun	d(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) Gain on investments			43,490
	Tatal in		40, 400
	Credited to:	nvestment income	43,490
	Gene	Charitable fund	43,490
	T-1-1	Political Fund  Investment Funds	42 400
	iotai	mvesunem runus	43,490

### Balance sheet as at

31 December 2024

(see notes 49 to 52)

	(see notes 49 to 52)		
evious Year		£	£
207,599	Fixed Assets (at page 14)		203,596
			200,000
	Investments (as per analysis on page 15)		
889,904	Quoted (Market value £ (		933,394
288,943	Unquoted		288,943
	Total Investments		1,222,337
	Other Assets		
	Loans to other trade unions		
	Sundry debtors		60
573,623	Cash at bank and in hand		740,908
373,023	Income tax to be recovered		
	Stocks of goods		
	Others (specify)		
34,813	Prepayments		35,93
87,875	Current asset investment		117,64
14,158	Intangibles		6,29
	Total of other assets		900,84
		Total assets	2,326,78
1,988,099	Conoral found (none 3)	Total assets	2,163,97
6,453	Charitable fund		21,14
	5 1111 15 14		
	Political Fund Account		
	Liabilities	Ī	
	A many making lading to be a life of a control top along the product of the lading to		
C4.4.E03	Amount held on behalf of central trade union political fund		
£14,502	Trade creditors		11,74
£28,657	Trade creditors Other creditors		32,02
£28,657 £30,049	Trade creditors Other creditors Taxes and social security costs		32,02 26,34
£14,502 £28,657 £30,049 £29,155	Trade creditors Other creditors		32,02 26,34
£28,657 £30,049	Trade creditors Other creditors Taxes and social security costs		32,02 26,34
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£28,657 £30,049	Trade creditors Other creditors Taxes and social security costs		32,02 26,34
£28,657 £30,049	Trade creditors Other creditors Taxes and social security costs	Total liabilities	11,74 32,02 26,34 71,54

## **Fixed assets account**

(see notes 53 to 57)

	Land and Freehold £	Buildings Leasehold £	Furniture and Equipment £	Motor Vehicles £	Not used for union business	Total £
Cost or Valuation						
			0.40.000			5.47.500
At start of year	303,960		243,602			547,562
Additions			8,716			8,716
Disposals			-5,882			-5,882
Revaluation/Transfers						
At end of year	303,960		246,436			550,396
Accumulated Depreciation						
At start of year	110,866		229,097			339,963
Charges for year	1,207		10,578			11,785
Disposals			-4,948			-4,948
Revaluation/Transfers						
At end of year	112,073		234,727			346,800
Net book value at end of year	191,887		11,709			203,596
Net book value at end of previous year	193,094		14,505			207,599

# Analysis of investments (see notes 58 and 59)

Quoted		All Funds Except	Political Fund
		Political Funds	_
		£	£
	Equities (e.g. Shares)		
	Lloyds	165	
	Aberdeen Multi manager Diversity Fund	933,229	
	Government Securities (Gilts)		
	Covernment Coddition (Cite)		
	Other quoted securities (to be specified)		
	Total quoted (as Balance Sheet)	933,394	
	Market Value of Quoted Investment		
	Wallot Value of Quoted IIIVootilion		
Unquoted	Equities		
	Unity trust shares	288,943	
	office trade officion	200,010	
	Government Securities (Gilts)		
	Mortgages		
	J 9		
	Bank and Building Societies		
	Other unquoted investments (to be specified)		
	Total unquoted (as Balance Sheet)	288,943	
	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 X No
If YES name the relevant companies:	
Company name	Company registration number (if not registered in England & Wales, state where registered)
NGSU ASSET MANAGEMENT LIMITED	08341802
Are the shares which are controlled by the union registered in the names of the union's trustees?  If NO, state the names of the persons in whom the shares controlled by the union are registered.	Yes X No
Company name	Names of shareholders

# **Summary sheet**

(see notes 62 to 73)

	All funds except Political Funds £	Political Funds £	Total Funds £
Income			
From Members	1,835,039		1,835,039
From Investments	43,490		43,490
Other Income (including increases by revaluation of assets)	21,670		21,670
Total Income	1,900,199		1,900,199
Expenditure (including decreases by revaluation of assets)			
Total Expenditure	1,709,628		1,709,628
Funds at beginning of year (including reserves) Funds at end of year (including reserves) Assets	1,994,552 2,185,123		1,994,552 2,185,123
	Fixed Assets		203,596
	Investment Assets		1,222,337
	Other Assets		900,847
		Total Assets	2,326,780
Liabilities		Total Liabilities	141,657
Net Assets (Total Assets less Total Liab	pilities)		2,185,123

# **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 Liab	pilities)		

(see notes 74 to 80)

(see notes 74 to 80)
Did the union hold any ballots in respect of industrial action during the return period?
If Yes How many ballots were held:
For each ballot held please complete the information below:
Ballot 1
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
Number of individuals answering "No" to the question
Number of invalid or otherwise spoiled voting papers returned
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 2
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
Number of individuals answering "No" to the question
Number of invalid or otherwise spoiled voting papers returned
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 3 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  Number of individuals answering "No" to the question  2
Number of invalid or otherwise spoiled voting papers returned
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 & Industrial Action: If you have 6 or more entries for either of these, please complete the Excel Spreadsheet

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			
Number of individuals answering "No" to the question			
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)?			
Does section 220(2b) of the 1992 Act apply in relation to this ballot (see flotes 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			
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			
Number of individuals answering "No" to the question			
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			
Number of individuals answering "No" to the question			
Number of invalid or otherwise spoiled voting papers returned			
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			
D			
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			

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(see note 81)

C: allocation of work or the duties of employment between workers or groups of workers;

E: a worker's membership or non-membership of a trade union;

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

\*Categories of Nature of Trade Dispute

D: matters of discipline;

employment, of one or more workers;

F: facilities for officials of trade unions;

	G: machinery for negotiation or consulation, 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 consulation 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:
Α	B C D E F G
	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:
Α	B C D E F G
	2. Dates of the industrial action taken:
	Number of days of industrial action:
	Number of days of industrial action:
	3. Number of days of industrial action:  4. Nature of industrial action.
Α	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	3. Number of days of industrial action: 4. Nature of industrial action.  Industrial Action 3
Α	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:
Α	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:  B C D E F G

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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:
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
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:
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
Number of days of industrial action:     A. 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
2. Dates of the industrial action taken: to
3. Number of days of industrial action:
4. Nature of industrial action.

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### 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 attached appendix 2		

### **NATIONWIDE GROUP STAFF UNION**

### **ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

### **YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

### **Union Information**

The principal place of business for the Union is Middleton Farm House, 37 Main Road, Middleton Cheney, Oxfordshire, OX17 2QT, United Kingdom.

### **Accounting Convention**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include equity investments held at fair value, and follow all applicable Accounting Standards.

These financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024 are prepared in accordance with FRS 102, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland. The disclosure requirements of section 1A of FRS 102 have been applied other than where additional disclosure is required to show a true and fair view.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the Union. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

Trade Unions are governed by the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation Act) 1992 (Amended). Under that Act the accounts of Trade Unions are required to give a true and fair view. Therefore, the accounts of the Union are prepared under FRS102.

The financial statements present information about the Trade Union as an individual undertaking.

However, as a Trade Union is not a company the Regulations that form the basis of disclosures under FRS102 have been adapted as considered necessary to ensure the accounts give a true and fair view to the members of the Union.

### **Going Concern**

The National Executive Committee is monitoring transformation in the finance sector, resulting from changes to customer needs and the move to digital banking, which is impacting employment levels and therefore Union membership and income. Membership has remained fairly static over the last 12 months but the National Executive Committee considers that there will be on-going pressure on membership numbers from redundancies/turnover resulting from new business practices and streamlining, together with a more transient workforce. The National Executive Committee is confident that the Union has adequate resources to continue in operation for the foreseeable future. The National Executive Committee is embarking on a review of the Union's two-year strategic plan to determine necessary actions and options required to ensure the Union can fulfil its primary mission to promote and protect the interests of its members.

### **NATIONWIDE GROUP STAFF UNION**

### **ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

### YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

### **Subscriptions**

Subscriptions are accounted for on an accruals basis.

### **Commission Income**

Insurance Scheme Commission is accounted for on a cash received basis. Other commissions are accounted for on an accruals basis.

### **Draw Income**

Draw income is accounted for in respect of those draws that have taken place in the year.

### Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand and deposits held at call with banks.

### **Financial Instruments**

The Union has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

#### **Basic financial assets**

Basic financial assets, which include trade and other receivables and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs.

### Other financial assets

Other financial assets, including investments in equity instruments, are initially measured at fair value, which is normally the transaction price. Such assets are subsequently carried at fair value and the changes in fair value recognised in the income and expenditure account, except that investments in equity instruments that are not publically traded and whose fair value cannot be measured reliably are measured at cost less impairment.

### **Basic financial liabilities**

Basic financial liabilities, including trade and other payables, are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction. Trade payables are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of the business from suppliers. Accounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. Trade payables are initially recognised at transaction price.

### **Defined Contributions Pension Plan**

Contained within administrative and service to member staff costs are fully paid defined pension contributions totalling £119,639 (2023: £116,936).

#### **ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

#### YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

#### **Termination Benefits**

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the union is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

#### **Tangible Fixed Assets**

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets (except freehold land) at rates estimated to write off the cost of each asset on a straight line basis over its expected useful life as follows:

Freehold building - 2% per annum
Office equipment - 10% per annum
Computer equipment - 25% per annum

#### Intangible Fixed Assets – Website

Intangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost, net of amortisation and any impairment losses.

Amortisation is provided at rates estimated to write off the cost of the website on a straight line basis over its expected useful life which is estimated to be 4 years.

#### **National Conference**

The costs of the biennial National Conference are accounted for over two years by providing for in advance and not solely in the year that the National Conference occurs on the basis that the Union under the terms of its constitution is required to hold a Conference every two years, it therefore regarded as an onerous contract

#### **Employee Benefits**

The costs of short-term employee benefits are recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received as a liability and an expense.

#### **Charitable Donations**

Charitable donations are accounted for when there is a commitment to pay the receipent.

#### **Charitable Fund**

At the Nationwide Group Staff Union Conference 2005, delegates voted for the Union to set up and maintain a Charitable Fund, allowing the Union to make charitable donations recognising the Union's wider responsibility to the national and international community.

#### **ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

#### YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

#### **Current Taxation**

Corporation tax is payable on all interest income, rental income and chargeable gains arising on the disposal of properties and investments but only to the extent that these exceed expenditure on provident benefits.

#### **Deferred Taxation**

Deferred tax liabilities arise in relation to the difference between the fair value investments and their original cost.

Deferred tax is calculated at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the period where the liability is settled or the asset is realised. Deferred tax is charged or credited in the income and expenditure account.

Unrealised valuation increases relating to investments would potentially give rise to chargeable gains on the sale of the asset, but any potential liability to tax is eliminated if the proceeds of sale are reinvested in other chargeable assets used for provident purposes. The tax on any proceeds which are not reinvested is reduced by indexation allowances and any balance can also be offset against expenditure on provident benefits. Deferred tax has not been provided for potential chargeable gains because the National Executive Committee is satisfied that proceeds of the sale of all related assets can be substantially reinvested, sufficient that any remaining balance can be offset against allowance or expenses. Therefore no unrealised gain at 31 December 2024 is expected to give rise to a liability to tax.

#### **Judgements and Key Sources of Estimation Uncertainty**

In the application of its accounting policies, the Union is required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates. All significant estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an on going basis and the relevant carrying amounts of assets and liabilities are revised to reflect any changes.

As at 31 December 2024 the carrying amounts of the following assets and liabilities were subject to judgement or to estimation uncertainty:

- The unlisted equity investment was measured at fair value in 2021 based on a recent purchase price. There have been no more recent reliable measure of fair value and thus the fair value as at 31 December 2024 is treated as the cost amount subject to any impairment considerations.
- The Union has an obligation to hold a Conference every two years under the terms of its constitution. It is therefore regarded as an onerous contract and the costs are spread over a two year period.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

1	OTHER OPERATING INCOME	2024 £	2023 £
		r	Ľ
	Other Income		
	Bank interest	9,421	6,529
	Insurance commission	4,504	4,318
	Other commission	2,491	1,997
		16,416	12,844
	<u>Investment Income</u>		
	Dividend income	5,254	4,128
		5,254	4,128
		24.670	46.072
		<u>21,670</u>	<u>16,972</u>
2	SERVICES TO MEMBERS	2024	2023
		£	£
	Legal and professional	34,161	46,971
	TUC affiliation fee	39,565	37,085
	Postage	11,478	13,221
	Publications	1,128	1,089
	Staff costs	931,881	921,014
	Telephone	11,758	13,198
	Training	4,679	10,739
	Disciplinary and grievance meetings	2,528	4,141
	Website costs	8,897	8,314
	VAT Recovered	(8,837)	(9,742)
	Members benefits	9,164	8,276
		1,046,402	1,054,306

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

3	MEETING EXPENSES	2024 £	2023 £
	National Conference	42,388	37,803
	National Executive	1,947	12,810
	TUC Meetings	2,758	3,340
	Other meetings	10,311	4,849
		57,404	58,802
4	ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES	2024 £	2023 £
	Audit and accountancy	32,730	31,115
	Ballots	-	4,710
	Accountancy systems	11,834	17,030
	Bank and legal costs	4,406	4,031
	Printing and stationery	1,078	1,012
	Staff costs	132,376	133,965
	Sundry expenses	3,498	4,475
		185,922	196,338

The average monthly number of persons employed by the Union during the period was 19 (2023: 20).

5	PREMISES AND EQUIPMENT COSTS	2024 £	2023 £
		4.040	5.006
	Cleaning	4,840	5,086
	Insurance	5,156	6,901
	Rent and rates	12,974	12,616
	Repairs	2,241	1,590
	Utilities	7,375	8,687
	Other expenses	1,284	1,342
		33,870	36,222

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

5	PREMISES AND EQUIPMENT COSTS (CO	NTINUED)	2024 £		2023 £
	EQUIPMENT COSTS  Maintenance and leasing				
	Motor		29,124		29,315
	Office and computer		52,344		<i>53,276</i>
	Loss on sale of fixed asset		934		
			82,402		82,591
	DEPRECIATION		11,785		14,641
	AMORTISATION		7,862		7,862
			135,919		141,316
6	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS	Land and	Office	Computer	
		buildings	equipment	and software	Total
		£	£	£	£
	COST				
	At 1 January 2024	303,960	54,050	189,552	547,562
	Additions	-	217	8,499	8,716
	Disposals	-	-	(5,882)	(5,882)
	At 31 December 2024	303,960	54,267	192,169	550,396
	ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION				
	At 1 January 2024	110,866	45,638	183,459	339,963
	Charge for the year	1,207	1,812	8,766	11,785
	Disposals	-	-	(4,948)	(4,948)
	At 31 December 2024	112,073	47,450	187,277	346,800
	NET BOOK VALUE				
	At 31 December 2024	<u>191,887</u>	6,817	4,892	203,596
	At 31 December 2023	<u> 193,094</u>	8,412	6,093	207,599

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

# 7 INTANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

COST	Website £
At 1 January 2024 Disposals	71,192 -
At 31 December 2024	71,192
AMORTISATION	
At 1 January 2024	57,034
Charge for the year	7,862
At 31 December 2024	64,896
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 December 2024	6,296
At 31 December 2023	14,158

# 8 INVESTMENTS

	Listed Equities	Unlisted Equities	Total
	£	£	£
Market Value/Cost at 1 January 2024	889,904	288,943	1,178,847
Change in value in the year	43,490	-	43,490
Market Value/Cost at 31 December 2024	933,394	288,943	1,222,337

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

# 9 CURRENT ASSET INVESTMENT

The following are the amounts held by Union in deposit as Bonds at 31 December 2024:

			Bonds £	Total £
	Balance at 1 January 2024		87,875	87,875
	Interest received in the year		4,771	4,771
	Additions		25,000	25,000
	Balance at 31 December 2024		117,646	117,646
10	DEBTORS			
		2024 £		2023 £
	Trade debtors	60		_
	Prepayments	35,937		34,813
		35,997		34,813
11	CREDITORS			
		2024		2023
		£		£
	Trade Creditors	11,743		14,502
	Other creditors	32,024		28,657
	Taxes & social security costs	26,347		30,049
	Accruals & deferred income	71,543		29,155
		141,657		102,363
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#### **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

#### AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

#### 12 FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

At 31 December 2024 the union was committed to making the following payments under non-cancellable operating leases in the year to 31 December 2025:

	2024 £	2023 £
Operating leases which expire:		
Within one year	1,592	1,752
Between two and five years	3,980	-
	5,572	1,752

#### 13 TRANSFER OF RESERVES

A decision was made in January 2024 to transfer 10% of the comprehensive results for the year ended 31 December 2023 to charitable reserves in the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024.

### 14 CONTROLLING INTEREST

NGSU has control of NGSU Asset Management Limited which is a dormant company limited by guarantee.

## 15 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

As explained in Current Taxation note, no tax liabilities are expected to arise on the realisation of unrealised valuation increases on investments. If the unrealised valuation increases at 31 December 2024 were all to give rise to chargeable gains the maximum liability to tax would be £67,747 (2023: £56,951)

# **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:	<del></del>	Chairman's Signature:	$\mathcal{H}_{\alpha} \wedge \ell = \ell$
			(or other official whose position should be stated)
Name:	Emma Clay (General secretary)	Name:	Nicola Sellars
Date:	29 May 2025	Date:	29 May 2025

# **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	a	No	
Has the list of officers in post been completed? (see Page 2 and Note 12)	Yes	a	No	
Has the return been signed? (see Pages 23 and 25 and Notes 86 and 95)	Yes	а	No	
Has the audtor's report been completed? (see Pages 20 and 21 and Notes 2 and 77)	Yes	а	No	
Is a rule book enclosed? (see Notes 8 and 88)	Yes	a	No	
A member statement is: (see Note 80)	Enclosed	a	To follow	
Has the summary sheet been completed? (see Page 17 and Notes 7 and 62)	Yes	a	To follow	
Has the membership audit certificate been completed? (see Page i to iii and Notes 97 and 103)	Yes	a	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:	see attached appendix 3
Name(s):	ner Audit
Charter	ed Accountants Statutory
Profession(s) or Calling(s):  Charter Auditors	ed Accountants Statutory
Address(es):	
	/illiam Road
London	
Postcode NW1 3E	
Date 07/05/20	
Contact name for inquiries and telephone number: Carol R	udge 8 7000
number: 020 738	

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

# REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR TO THE MEMBERS OF THE NATIONWIDE GROUP STAFF UNION

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of the Nationwide Group Staff Union ("The Union") for the year ended 31 December 2024 which comprise the Income and Expenditure account – Combined Funds, the Income and Expenditure account – Charitable Fund, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement, the Accounting Policies and notes to the financial statements. 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 2024 and of its income and expenditure 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 Union in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to the 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 National Executive Committee'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 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 National Executive Committee 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 annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The National Executive Committee is responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. 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 course of 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 this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. 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.

# REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR TO THE MEMBERS OF THE NATIONWIDE GROUP STAFF UNION

#### Matters on which we are required to report by exception

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

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

#### **Responsibilities of the National Executive Committee**

As explained more fully in the Statement of Responsibilities of the National Executive Committee, the National Executive Committee is responsible for the preparation of financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the National Executive Committee determine 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 National Executive Committee is 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 National Executive Committee either intends to liquidate the Union or to cease operations, or has 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.

## As part of our planning process:

- We enquired of management the systems and controls the Union has in place, the areas of the
  financial statements that are most susceptible to the risk of irregularities and fraud, and whether
  there was any known, suspected or alleged fraud. The Union did not inform us of any known,
  suspected or alleged fraud.
- We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks applicable to the Union. We
  determined that the following were most relevant: FRS 102 and the Trade Union and Labour
  Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 (Amended).
- We considered the incentives and opportunities that exist in the Union, including the extent of management bias, which present a potential for irregularities and fraud to be perpetuated, and tailored our risk assessment accordingly.
- Using our knowledge of the Union, together with the discussions held with the Union at the planning stage, we formed a conclusion on the risk of misstatement due to irregularities including fraud and tailored our procedures according to this risk assessment.

# REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR TO THE MEMBERS OF THE NATIONWIDE GROUP STAFF UNION

The key procedures we undertook to detect irregularities including fraud during the course of the audit included:

- Identifying and testing journal entries and the overall accounting records, in particular those that were significant and unusual.
- Reviewing the financial statement disclosures and determining whether accounting policies have been appropriately applied.
- Reviewing and challenging the assumptions and judgements used by management in their significant accounting estimates, in particular in relation to the measurement of the unlisted investment.
- Assessing the extent of compliance, or lack of, with the relevant laws and regulations.
- Testing key revenue lines, in particular cut-off, for evidence of management bias.
- Obtaining third-party confirmation of material bank balances and investments.
- Documenting and verifying all significant related party balances and transactions.
- Reviewing documentation such as the NEC minutes, correspondence with solicitors, for discussions
  of irregularities including fraud.

Owing to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that we may not have detected some material misstatements in the financial statements even though we have properly planned and performed our audit in accordance with auditing standards. The primary responsibility for the prevention and detection of irregularities and fraud rests with the National Executive Committee.

A further description of our responsibilities is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at https://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 Union's members, as a body. 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 and the Union's members, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

HW Fisher Audit

HW Fisher Audit Chartered Accountants Statutory Auditor

Date: 29 Apr 2025

Acre House 11 - 15 William Road London NW1 3ER United Kingdom

# 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?

#### Yes

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

2 In the opinion of the assurer has he/she obtained the inforamation and explanations necessary for the performance of his/her functions?

#### Yes

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)

Signature of assurer	HW Fisher Audit
Name	HW Fisher Audit
Address	Acre House, 11-15 William Road, London, NW1 3ER
Date	30 May 2025
Contact name and telephone number	Carol Rudge, 020 7388 7000

# 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.

its	To the best of your knowledge and belief has the trade union during this reporting period complied with its duty to compile and maintain a register of the names and addresses of it members and secured, so far asis reasonably practicable, that the entries in the register are accurate and up-to-date?			
Ye	s / No			
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