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**BRITISH & FOREIGN SCHOOL SOCIETY**  
Educational Opportunity for All



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The BFSS Council present their report along with the financial statements of the British & Foreign School Society (BFSS) and the other charitable trusts for which BFSS is responsible, for the year ended 31 December 2022.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the Notes to the Financial Statements and comply with the BFSS Charter and applicable law.

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## Message from our Chair

As I prepare to step down from the BFSS Council after 10 years as a Trustee and most recently as Chair, it is an opportunity to review activity in 2022, but also to reflect on the progress of the charity during this period.

Grant-giving resulting in measurable outcomes lies at the core of our work at BFSS. Back in 2013 our annual grant giving was £471k but in 2022 amounted to £1.5 million as our managed assets have grown enabling us to spend more. Over the decade, the number of young people directly benefitting from the support provided by BFSS has exceeded one million, with perhaps five times as many indirect beneficiaries including family members and the wider communities.

Throughout, our focus as a charity has remained constant, namely to support disadvantaged young people with educational opportunities to transform life chances.

We have retained an emphasis on providing help where education has been disrupted by natural disasters, by war and civil unrest. We have always encouraged applications to support the education of girls and young women and have a particular interest in teacher training programmes. About 70% of our funding has been awarded to projects in the least developed countries and in particular to sub-Saharan Africa and South Asia – this continues.

Recognising the legacy of our founder, Joseph Lancaster, who did so much to establish the UK education system in the early 19th century, we took a bold decision in 2019 to allocate about 30% of our annual grant-giving to UK projects, with a specific focus on projects dedicated to providing equality of opportunity to care experienced young people as well as young carers. During 2022 we implemented a new Displacement Education Fund to address the specific challenges children and young people who have been displaced by conflict face in accessing quality education.



**Peter Miller**  
Chair of BFSS 2018 to 2023

Over the 10 years we have worked hard to innovate and modernise the way in which the charity operates and as a result BFSS is recognised as a well-run and effective funding organisation. We hear this through feedback from our annual Grant Partner Workshop and Annual Conference, which continue to be highlights of the BFSS year.

None of these accomplishments would have been possible without the hard work and commitment of our small Staff team and the support of a committed and engaged Trustee Board. I want to thank them and say it's been a privilege to be a part of this chapter of the life of BFSS.

The end of my term as a member of the BFSS Council coincides with the decision of our President, David Lammy MP to step down. David has been in this role for 10 years and has been a caring and highly supportive President and I would like to thank him on behalf of BFSS for all he has done.

In 2022 the BFSS Council made some far-reaching decisions about how to modernise BFSS and make it more relevant to current times whilst celebrating its illustrious heritage. This will be the work of the new Chair, Staff and BFSS Council who are committed to the continual renewal and evolution of BFSS to benefit even more young people in the future.

## 1. Our heritage that guides us

The heritage that underpins BFSS remains important and relevant to our activities and decisions and is embedded in our charitable objects. The BFSS was formed in 1808 by Christian social reformers to carry on the work of Joseph Lancaster, a pioneer of school and teacher education. BFSS was then known as "The Society for Promoting the Royal British or Lancasterian System for the Education of the Poor". It changed its name to The British & Foreign School Society in 1814, was granted a Royal Charter in 1906, and its Royal Charter, Statutes and Byelaws were most recently updated in 2014.

With such a long history, BFSS has necessarily adapted over the years, but our heritage continues to define us and our priorities. Joseph Lancaster was a Quaker who became concerned that young people from low-income communities were denied the opportunity of education in the late 18th century. As a result, he was involved in the founding of schools throughout the UK and in many overseas countries with tuition based on his monitorial system. The BFSS today continues that work through our grant funding by seeking to ensure young people from marginalised communities across the world have access to quality education. From 1870 BFSS focused on teacher training, and we continue to recognise the critical impact of teachers and make teacher training a priority area for funding.

Conserving our physical heritage continues to be important to us. Brunel University London maintains our extensive archives and makes sure they are accessible for research. The British Schools Museum in Hitchin is a key partner for BFSS as we recognise its importance in ensuring Joseph Lancaster's work is visibly accessible for current and future generations to appreciate. The museum houses an 1837 Monitorial Schoolroom, the only one of its kind left in the world, three other historic classrooms, the Headmaster's House and a collection of 47,000 objects.

## 2. Embedding Inclusion, Diversity, Equity & Access

Whilst remaining true to our heritage, we also feel it is important for BFSS to be led by current day principles. In 2022 we took a long hard look at ourselves through the lens of Inclusion, Diversity, Equity and Access (IDEA) and consequently spent time reviewing the language, images and storytelling within our work to ensure they comply with best practice. We have advertised for new Members to attract more diversity into the Membership and subsequently the Council. We have also made the bold decision to commence the process of changing our name to better reflect the work we currently do. We recognise we still have much work to do in this area.

Photo courtesy of Child Hope: teaching fractions using Maths Mastery approach, Uganda





### 3. Our Strategy

Our charitable objects are: "To advance education for the benefit of the public in particular by providing educational opportunity for children and young people in the UK and overseas." We adhere to these objects and achieve public benefit through our grant giving activities to support the education of young people from low-income and marginalised communities worldwide. The Council has referred to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit when developing its vision, mission, values and objectives. We review these each year, and make sure they inform our decisions.

#### 3.1. Vision

Educational opportunity for all.

#### 3.2. Mission

We seek to achieve our vision by providing funding and support to UK-based charities for educational projects in the UK and throughout the world reflecting our history and heritage.

#### 3.3. Values

We believe in the right of children and young people to access high quality education as a driver for personal development, well-being, and equality of opportunity. Building on the heritage of our founder Joseph Lancaster, we value effective teaching and learning, and the sharing of good practice. We are committed to inclusivity, integrity, and to valuing and respecting others in everything we do.

#### 3.4. Objectives

Following a review in 2022 our current strategy is based on 5 objectives:

1. To award grants aimed at enabling young people to improve their own educational outcomes and life chances in the UK and Internationally.
2. To support our Grant Partners and Members to build their own capacity and knowledge.
3. To support broader social aims which have an impact on inclusive education and stay true to our heritage.
4. To continually improve our adherence to good practice in all aspects of our grant giving and governance.
5. To effectively use our resources.

### 4. Our work in 2022

In 2022 we topped all records by awarding new grants totalling over £1.5 million. We launched our new Displacement Education Fund to help alleviate the impact of conflict on the education of refugees, asylum seekers and internally displaced people. The £1 million Fund was established in response to the continued plight of young people in Syria, Yemen, Afghanistan, Ukraine and many other parts of the world where communities are being displaced from their homes to seek safety. With a rolling application process the Fund had an excellent start in 2022 and is already enabling over 10,000 young people to continue their education by providing a safe space to learn, opportunities to learn in their own language, and the post-trauma support that they need in order to heal and thrive.

Our Main Fund continued to support projects to improve the educational outcomes and life chances of young carers or care experienced young people in the UK, and projects to improve the quality, sustainability, and access to education for young people within international marginalised and vulnerable communities.

In addition to grant-giving we made a concerted effort to increase shared learning opportunities by hosting our first-ever hybrid conference for Members and Grant Partners on 13 May 2022 alongside our AGM. It was an inspirational day of presentations and discussions on how to build resilience into education in a post-covid world. At the conference we launched our new online Forum which allows Members and Grant partners to continue their discussions beyond the conference and provides a platform for advice to be sought on any topic, or news shared whenever the need arises throughout the year. In November we were thrilled our Grant Partners' Workshop could return as an entirely face-to-face event for organisations with a current BFSS grant. The event focused on climate responsibility with delegates passionately sharing ideas and learning on how to work towards net zero.

### Our year in numbers

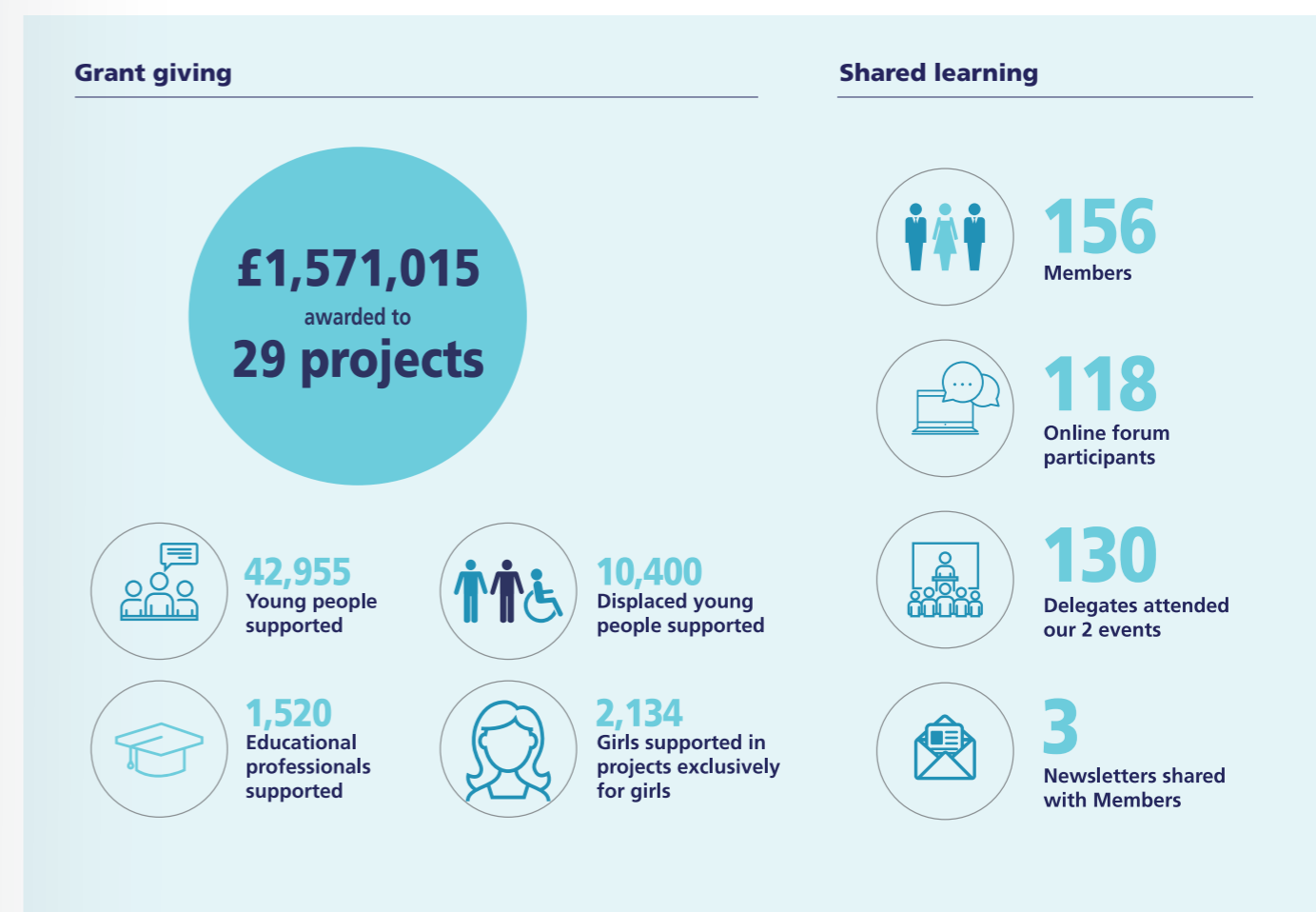


Photo courtesy of HealthProm: primary education, Afghanistan





## 5. Our grant giving

In 2022, 29 projects with a total value of £1,571,015 (2021: 31, £1,058,192) were awarded from our unrestricted income. This is our core grant giving activity and we have separate priorities for UK and International projects. We continue to adopt a grant funding approach that favours small-to-medium not-for-profit organisations, with annual income less than £2.5 million, and UK state-funded educational establishments. Supporting high-quality projects in the UK is central to our heritage and future. It is our aim is for around 30% of our grants to support UK based projects.

### 5.1 UK grant giving

Since 2021 our core UK grant giving has focused on projects aiming to improve the educational outcomes or life chances of care experienced young people and young carers under the age of 25. Through these grants we aim to award fewer but larger grants up to £100,000 over five years, compared to our international grants. With the introduction of our Displacement Education Fund in 2022 the UK criteria was expanded to include young people living in the UK who are refugees or asylum seekers, unaccompanied children or children of undocumented migrants. The expectation was that the Displacement Education Fund would support shorter projects meeting an urgent need with grants available for up to £60,000 over two years. Our UK grants accounted for 37% of the total value of new grants awarded from unrestricted income in 2022.

#### Aims of our UK grants

Improved educational outcomes - enabling care experienced young people and young carers to attend and engage in mainstream school life, improving their access to out of school support and increasing the number of education professionals able to understand their needs.

Improved life chances - enabling care experienced young people and young carers (aged 16-24) to access further education, employment or training opportunities and improving support for them to remain engaged with these opportunities.

Improved access to educational opportunity – new fund enabling displaced young people to learn in their own language, to access post-trauma support and receive support to access further education or training for employment.

### 5.2 International grant giving

To ensure that we deliver our mission internationally we fund projects that improve access and quality of education or the sustainability of educational projects, for young people under the age of 25, by offering grants of up to £60,000 over three years. We ensure that our grant giving delivers long-term improvement through the involvement of local communities, the capability and availability of teaching staff and fit-for-purpose infrastructure. Wherever possible, we fund projects that also deliver benefits to the wider community and will be sustainable after our grant ends.

#### Aims of our International grants

Improved access to education – including increasing the number of educational opportunities, especially for girls and displaced young people, (including construction of classrooms or latrines), increasing the number of qualified teachers trained in inclusive, non-discriminatory practices and improving community attitudes to educating children who are often excluded or overlooked.

Improved quality of education – including enhancing the quality of teaching and learning, improving access to extra-curricular support, increasing child friendly resources, and increasing access to aspirational vocational training opportunities including STEM and IT.

Improved sustainability of education projects – including encouraging educational projects with integrated community management or ownership, self-generating income and minimising their environmental impact.

## Who we supported

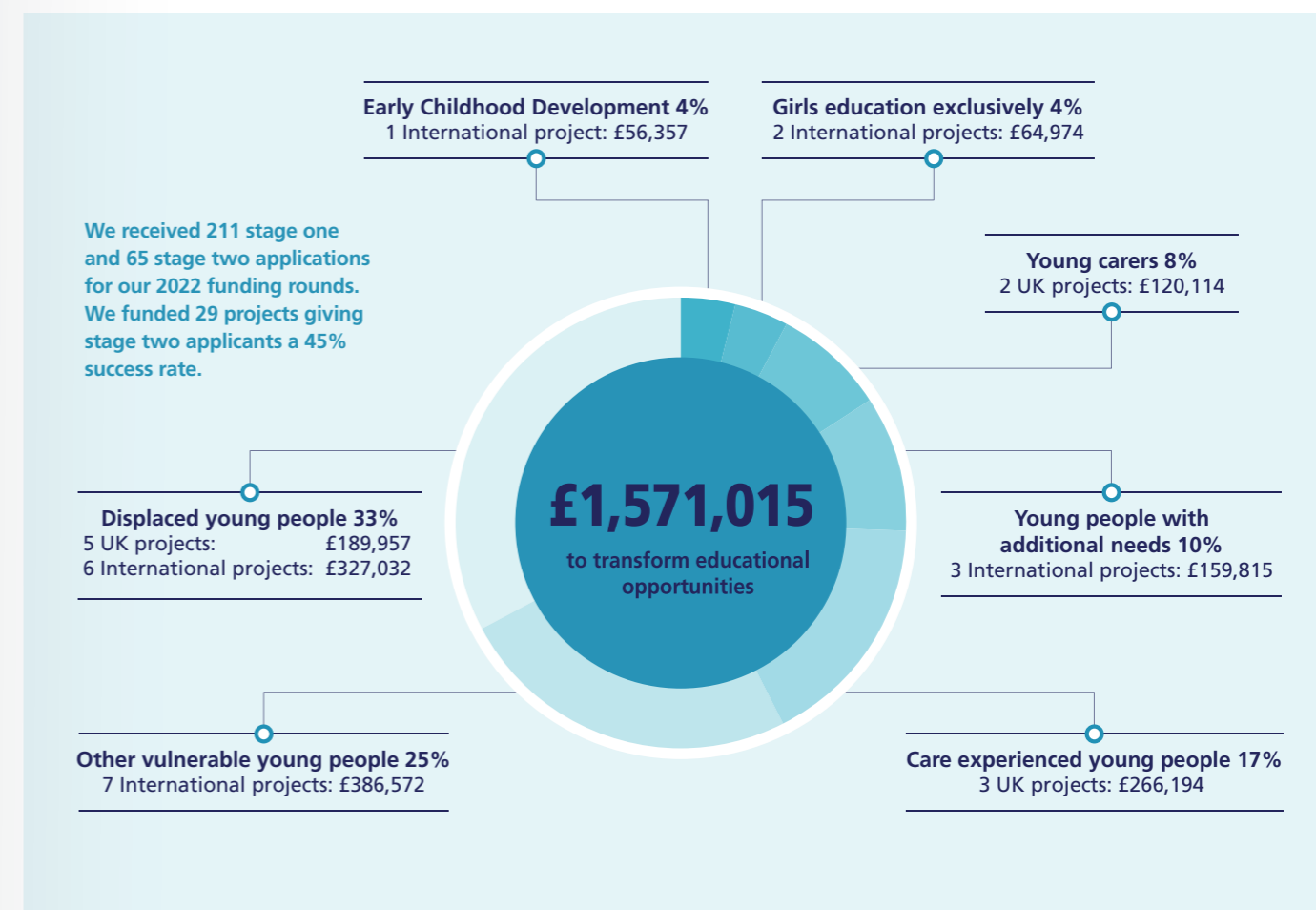
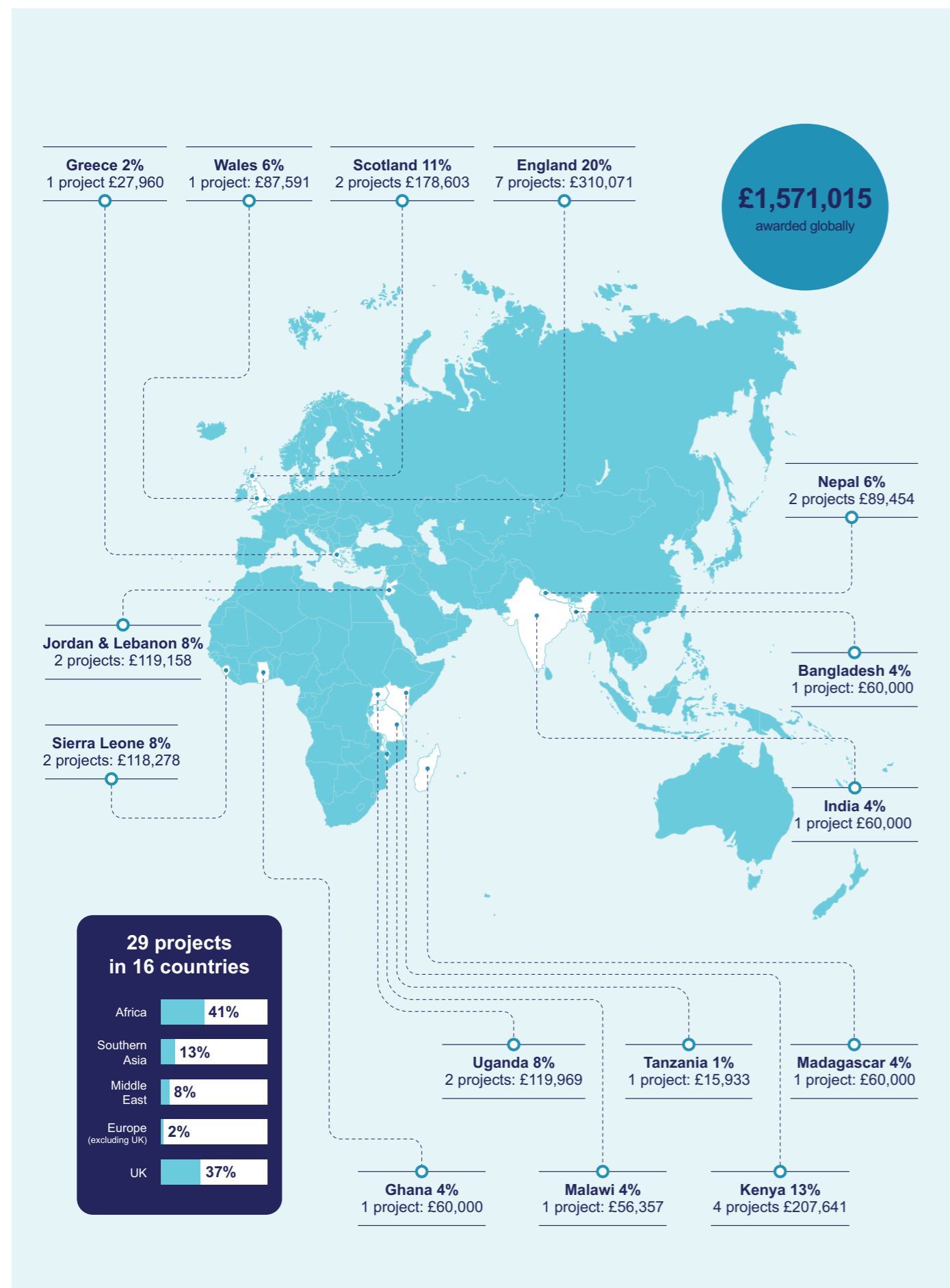


Photo courtesy of Radwinter Primary: school library provision for SEND





## Where our grants went



### 5.3 Subsidiary trusts

In addition to the grants awarded from our unrestricted income BFSS is responsible for a number of smaller subsidiary trusts which provide restricted funds for educational activities in specific locations and for particular purposes. In 2022, £36,000 was awarded through 10 grants (2021: 12, £55,585) from restricted income. Our approach is to work with partners with the experience and local knowledge to make sure grant-giving is effective and meets the individual requirements of each fund. We are currently working with the following:

- The Old British School Charity is dedicated to Bratton and surrounding areas in Wiltshire. The Community Foundation for Wiltshire distributes the funds to individuals with additional needs in their pursuit of learning. This work is also supported by the Alfred Bourne Trust which is designed to support individuals with their learning.
- The British School Charity in Saffron Walden has an active small group of locally based Trustees. The charity supports individuals in need of financial help to succeed in their education and local community organisations working with young people.
- To support the work of the Berridge Trust we work with The Food Centre which provides training to food technology teachers.
- The South Church Educational Fund contributes to an after school club run by the Auckland Youth and Community Centre.
- The Sarah Walker and Spafford Memorial Fund is usually distributed via our core grant giving for projects which have an element of educational travel.
- A grant was not awarded from the BFSS Trust in 2022, as we are currently reviewing how its income can be distributed for maximum impact.





## 6. Our impact

The projects we fund improve educational opportunity for children in some of the most marginalised or low-income communities, transforming young people's life chances, as these reports show.

### Helping Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh

Children on the Edge have established a digital approach to educating young refugees, providing support to Rohingya children with quality education in a language they can understand. In summer 2022, BFSS gave the charity £60,000 for a two-year project to provide primary education for Rohingya refugees on Bhasan Char Island, where there are no government schools.

More than 580 children have been taught in model classrooms where they enjoy a friendly learning environment, with group discussions and digital lessons, arts and sports. Their heritage is celebrated and 60 children entered a recent drawing competition to create pictures of rivers, villages, schools and landscapes from Myanmar.



Photo courtesy of Children on the Edge: Rohingya refugees engaged in lessons, Bangladesh

### Impact:

Teachers have reported how quickly the children have progressed in Maths and English and how much they are loving the digital lessons. Parents are particularly enthusiastic since the introduction of the Myanmar curriculum and the implications they feel it spells for a future return home.

The programme is also tackling the tendency for girls to be withdrawn from education after the age of 12, by organising regular meetings with parents, support group members and the Imam, and have seen some progress.

*“We have the opportunity to play sports at our school and we feel wonderful and want to come to school every day.”*

Sominara, student

*“We have seen the improvement in our children in education, behaviour, speaking and intelligence.”*

Mohammed Habibullah, parent

### Raising aspirations for care experienced young people

Hub For Success ran a project training teachers and educators in Edinburgh to support care experienced young people, which proved so successful we have funded further work to scale-up the project. Through it, education and teaching staff have transformed the way that they think of themselves, from educators to being an active part of the care system for young people.

BFSS funded Hub for Success with £45,000 for a one-year pilot project which also gave tailored support to young people in six schools in Edinburgh; and promoted peer to peer learning and support. It focused on 295 children in their final year of primary school, and aimed to raise aspirations and convey the message that college and university are for everyone.

The project explored the children's transition to secondary school and the new subjects on offer there; considered their talents and interests, linking them to courses and careers; and helped them consider the adults who could support them. Care experienced Student Ambassadors shared their own learning journey, and children visited campuses to demystify and embed what they had learned.



Photo courtesy of Hub for Success: children enjoy campus visits, UK

### Impact:

By the end of the pilot, 71% of teachers were at least 'somewhat aware' of care experience. 100% of teachers said the programme generated discussion among pupils about their aspirations; that care experienced Student Ambassadors added value; and pupils benefitted from visits to campuses.

Based on their successful pilot, Hub for Success have upscaled their approach to work with 91 new schools across Edinburgh.

*“The care experienced pupils in my class feel confident that HE is for them now.”*

Teacher, Dean Park Primary School



## Tackling chronically low literacy in Malawi

Temwa Community Literacy is a three-year project which began in 2020 and runs in Malawi, where one in three adults are illiterate and only 7% of women have completed primary education. BFSS gave Temwa a grant of £19,816 for the project, which aims to provide opportunities for children and the wider community to improve their reading and writing skills through reading camps, community awareness activities and improved library services.

By autumn 2022, Temwa supported 22 Reading Camps attended by 1,600 primary school-aged learners, far exceeding the project's target of 1,000. There are also three Village Reading Groups providing literacy and broader mentoring support to young women. A group of 48 voluntary mentors have been fundamental to the project's success. Training for mentors focused on skills for effective reading instruction, helping learners develop confidence and using educational games to engage learners.

### Impact:

In December, 264 learners took part in local spelling bee competitions to encourage greater community interest in the educational activities available. 80% of the participants demonstrated brilliant progress. The number of library visits have also greatly increased. 93% of children attending Reading Camps passed their end of year exams last year.

Temwa has engaged with governors in schools to help embed their work. As a result, 80% of the schools they work with have adopted initiatives aimed at improving retention and enrolment rates in their schools.

*"I am now able to read and write since I started attending Reading Camp sessions, which I could not have achieved as quickly otherwise."*

**Tabitha Manda, pupil**

*"Through the Reading Camps, with the help of my fellow mentors and teachers, seven out of every ten learners are able to read and write."*

**Samuel Kamanga, Reading Camp Mentor**



Photo courtesy of Temwa: spelling bee competition, Malawi

## 7. Future plans

In 2023 we have the exciting task of supporting our new President and Chair to settle into their respective roles. We will commence the implementation of our revised 5-year strategic plan (see section 3) and the key priorities for the year will include:

### Objective 1:

- Completing the awarding of new grants from our £1 million Displacement Education fund.
- Committing £1 million to support our core grant-giving priorities.

### Objective 2:

- Run our second Annual Conference and encourage further knowledge sharing via the online BFSS Forum.

### Objective 3:

- Progressing the process of updating the BFSS name.
- Taking decisions on how BFSS is going to respond to climate change issues.

### Objective 4:

- Improving our grant monitoring process and impact reporting.
- Strengthening our communications with the launch of a new website.

### Objective 5:

- Conducting a review of our subsidiary trusts to ensure all are being distributed for maximum public benefit.



Photo courtesy of Signpost International: pupils study in Uganda



## 8. Structure, governance and management

### 8.1 Membership

BFSS Members are generally drawn from our past and present activities in education, teacher training, and charity organisations. The statutory role of Members is to elect the Councillors who act as Trustees of the charity at the AGM. During 2022 and early 2023, 21 new Members joined bringing the total number of Members to 151 by 1 February 2023 when our Trustee election process for 2023 started. The 2021 Annual General Meeting (AGM) was held as a hybrid event on 13 May 2022, chaired by our President, the Rt. Hon. David Lammy MP, and attended by 48 Members.

### 8.2 Governance and structure

BFSS has a President and Vice-President who are elected by the Membership for a period of three years. In May 2021 the Rt Hon David Lammy MP was re-elected President and Professor John Furlong was re-elected Vice-President both for a term of 3 years. BFSS is governed by a Council of Trustees drawn from and elected by Members. The Council currently has 10 members, but the aim is to increase it to 12 over the next 2 years. The minimum number is 6.

BFSS has an induction procedure for new Trustees. They are provided with relevant information on their role and responsibilities and are briefed by the Chairman. All Trustees are kept informed of the impact of BFSS through reports on funded projects. The Council annually reviews the work of individual Trustees and its sub-committees.

The Director's remuneration is set by a process which includes a review of performance against objectives by the Remuneration Committee which then makes a recommendation for approval to the Council.

In 2022 Council Meetings were held in March, June and November, with the annual strategy meeting in June 2022. There are two subsidiary committees, the Grants Committee and the Finance and Investments Committee, both of which meet at least twice a year and report to the Council.

The BFSS has a series of policies and terms of reference, which are subject to a regular review schedule to ensure they are up to date and fit for purpose.



Photo courtesy of Raising Futures: new school toilet block, Kenya

### 8.3 Robust and effective grant-giving

BFSS makes grants in accordance with its Charter and within the financial limits set by Council each year. Its grant-giving is project-driven and supports a broad range of projects in the UK and Internationally. The criteria for grant giving are available on the BFSS website. We operate an online grant application system, for our core grants this involves a 2-stage application process to minimise the time applicants spend preparing their initial proposals.

The Grants Manager conducts an initial assessment of all stage one grant applications and invites the project proposals which meet the criteria and are of the highest quality to submit a stage two application. Following a detailed review of stage two applications in consultation with the Chair of the Grants Committee, applications which are considered suitable are selected for review by the Grants Committee with an individual Trustee taking the lead on each application. Applications for the subsidiary trusts are referred to the appropriate committee for review.

The Trustees make decisions according to the criteria set out in the BFSS Grant Giving and Management policy, in line with our objectives. Recommendations from the Grants Committee and from the relevant committee for the subsidiary trusts are reported to the full Council.

We have a structured process to ensure rigorous evaluation of the impact of our grants, and we hold grant recipients accountable for delivering the outputs and outcomes to which they have committed. Every grant application is required to specify three or four main outcomes, and every project must have a well-defined plan for monitoring and evaluation. The reporting process is linked to the release of funds, to ensure we always retain the right to withhold or vary grants where projects are struggling to meet their outcomes. Grant recipients are required to submit progress reports annually for grants up to £10,000 per year and 6-monthly for larger grants in addition to the end of project report. Each progress report is reviewed by the Director or Grants Manager before releasing further funding. When a project is not delivered to plan, a triage system is in place to determine whether the Director, Chairman of the Grants Committee or the Grants Committee should make the decision on the future of the grant.

BFSS places great emphasis on ensuring that improved educational outcomes for our beneficiaries are clearly identified. Construction projects are required to provide an additional report one year after the formal completion of the construction project, to give time for impacts to emerge.

Grants awarded from the subsidiary trusts for which BFSS is responsible provide small grants to individuals and to organisations. Given the size of these grants (usually less than £5,000) the application process is deliberately kept very simple with a one stage application form which is reviewed by the Director, or by a local committee in the case of the British School Charity. These trusts are detailed in Note 12 to the Financial Statements.

Photo courtesy of Mwezi Foundation: solar lights to aid home learning





## 9. Financial review

### 9.1 Reserves policy

The entire General Reserve (£23,045,235) at 31 December 2022, (2021: £27,553,849) is an unrestricted fund which would be available to meet unexpected costs of the charity. The Trustees do not therefore feel it appropriate to specify a minimum level for free reserves.

In addition to the General Reserve, at 31 December 2022 BFSS held revaluation reserves of £175,000 (2021: £160,000) derived from the fair value of the George Dent Nursery, endowment funds of £1,269,286 (2021: £1,307,334) and restricted funds of £382,219 (2021: £545,809). At 31 December 2022, the total funds of the BFSS stood at £24,870,742 (2021: £29,566,992).

### 9.2 Risk Management Policy

BFSS maintains an active risk register which encompasses all areas of our activities. This risk register is reviewed, together with risk mitigation decisions and actions made, on an ongoing basis by the BFSS Council. Other principal risks identified by Trustees were those associated ensuring robust succession planning, ensuring policies are up to date and compliant with relevant regulations, particularly with regard to safeguarding, and ensuring that our investment policy continues to maximise income to support the delivery of our objects in a time of change.

### 9.3 Pension Policy

BFSS continues to operate a pension scheme for its employees, providing an employer's contribution of 8% of qualifying earnings. Monthly pension contributions are paid to the provider by direct debit.

### 9.4 Financial results

Grants paid during 2022 amounted to £1,046,568 (2021: £876,194). This represents a 19% increase on the previous year, as many of the projects that were still paused following the covid pandemic were able to progress during 2022. Subsequently the net expenditure of £657,290 (2021: £492,580) is a 33% increase on the previous year reflecting the increase in grant payments. Investment income reduced by 15% and there was a net loss on investments of £4,053,960 compared to a net gain of £3,139,001 in the previous year. The BFSS Investment Policy states that the Trustees will normally draw between £1m and £1.25m each year, which means that there is an expectation that the grant giving programme will be partly funded by investment income and partly by capital gains on those investments.

### 9.5 Income

BFSS' main source of income is its investment portfolio. Its investment policy is for the portfolio, consisting principally of equities and fixed interest stocks, to be managed on a total return basis to produce a regular income stream while maintaining its capital base in real terms. The performance target for the portfolio, which is managed by Investec Wealth & Investment Limited, is a real return (after taking account of headline CPI or zero, whichever is greater, and investment management fees) of at least 4% on a rolling three-year basis. The BFSS Investment Policy does not permit investment directly in companies that have more than 10% of their business relating to either: the production or sale of tobacco products, the promotion of gambling in any form, the production or sale of weapons or armaments, or the production, distribution and retail of pornographic media. In addition, investment is prohibited in companies with evidence of human rights abuses in the supply chain, both direct and indirect, including the use of child labour. Investec are also required to review its direct investment holdings to determine the degree of

Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) risks. The investment manager provides regular reports showing the ESG risk rating for its investments and the objective is to see this score reduce each year.

At the end of December 2022 the value of the investment portfolio was £24,654,134 (2021: £29,329,745), which represented an actual total return net loss after fees for the year of -12.44%, which equates to -22.97% after taking into account CPI of 10.53%. The total cumulative return of the Fund for the three years was -14.51% net of investment management fees and after taking into account CPI of 17.17%.

During the year the BFSS withdrew £1,080,000 (2021: £1,012,000) to support its grant-giving activities and running costs. This amounted to approximately 4.4% of the value of the portfolio on 31 December 2022. Overall income amounted to £679,665, in comparison to £649,678 in the previous year, of which £535,050 (2021: £629,262) was from investments.

BFSS receives income from its investments and does not engage in public fundraising activities. As a result the charity does not employ or monitor a fundraiser or a fundraising agent. No fundraising complaints were received with regards to fundraising, and the charity is not subject to an undertaking to be bound by any voluntary scheme for regulating fundraising, or any voluntary standard of fundraising

### 9.6 Property

The George Dent Nursery School in Darlington continues to be held by BFSS as an investment property and is leased to Darlington Local Education Authority. The property is valued at 10 times rental value and as the annual rent receivable increased to £17,500, with effect from 25 December 2022 the value of the investment property has increased to £175,000, resulting in a revaluation surplus of £15,000 in the year (2021: nil).

Photo courtesy of Signpost International: Lomokori primary school, Uganda





### 9.7 General expenditure other than grants

The expenditure on support and governance costs during the year was £196,912 (2021: £155,755 and amounted to 14.7%, (2021: 13.6%) of total expenditure including grants. The increase in the percentage was predominantly due to the increase in staffing and office costs as well as professional fees and the increased cost of meetings in person rather than virtual meetings. Five part-time staff, equivalent to 2.4 full-time staff were employed during the year.

### 9.8 Responsibilities of the Council in relation to the financial statements

The BFSS Council is responsible for preparing the Trustees' annual report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing the financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

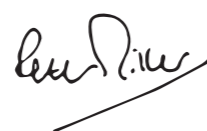
- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently.
- Observe the methods and principles in the applicable Charities SORP.
- Make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures that must be disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations, and the provisions of the Charter.

They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website in accordance with legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements.

Each of the Trustees has confirmed that there is no information of which they are aware which is relevant to the audit, but of which the auditor is unaware. They have further confirmed that they have taken appropriate steps to identify such relevant information and to establish that the auditor is aware of such information.



**Peter Miller**  
Chair of BFSS

**Dated:** 29 March 2023

## 10. Independent Auditor's Report to the Trustees of The British & Foreign School Society

### 10.1 Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of The British & Foreign School Society (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 December 2022 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet and the notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- Give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 December 2022 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, 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 Charities Act 2011.

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

Photo courtesy of Signpost International: pupils study in Uganda





### 10.3 Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' 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 charity'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.

### 10.4 Other information

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

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.



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

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 require us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- The information given in the financial statements is inconsistent in any material respect with the Trustees' report.
- Sufficient accounting records have not been kept.
- The financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records.
- We have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

### 10.6 Responsibilities of Trustees

As explained more fully in the statement of Trustees' responsibilities, the Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Trustees 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 Trustees are responsible for assessing the charity'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 Trustees either intend to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

### 10.7 Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditor under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

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.

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

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, 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:

- Agreement of the financial statement disclosures to underlying supporting documentation to assess compliance with those laws and regulations having an impact on the financial statements and disclosure requirements. In particular, Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice.
- Enquiries and confirmation of management and the trustees as to their identification of any non-compliance with laws or regulations, or any actual or potential claims.
- Review of minutes of Board meetings throughout the period.
- Incorporating unpredictability into the nature, timing and/or extent of testing.
- In relation to the risk of management override of internal controls, by undertaking procedures to review journal entries and evaluating whether there was evidence of bias that represented a risk of material misstatement due to fraud.

- We assessed the susceptibility of the charity's financial statements to material misstatement, including how fraud might occur by considering the key risks impacting the financial statements.

Our audit procedures were designed to respond to risks of material misstatement in the financial statements, recognising that the risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment by, for example, forgery, misrepresentations or through collusion.

There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures performed and the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely we are to become aware of it.

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

### 10.9 Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's Trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' 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 charity and the charity's Trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

**Begbies**  
9 Bonhill Street  
Chartered Accountants  
London  
Statutory Auditors  
EC2A 4DJ

April 2023

Begbies is eligible to act as an auditor in terms of section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2021 £
<b>INCOME</b>						
Donations and legacies		378	124,973	-	125,351	3,607
Investment income						
Rents receivable	5a	16,000	-	-	16,000	16,000
Investment income	7b	513,058	9,295	12,697	535,050	629,262
Interest receivable		3,145	50	69	3,264	808
Permanent endowment transfer to income	11,12	3,525	21,835	(25,360)	-	1
<b>Total income</b>		<b>536,106</b>	<b>156,153</b>	<b>(12,594)</b>	<b>679,665</b>	<b>649,678</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>						
Expenditure on raising funds						
Investment managers fees	7a	85,486	758	4,681	90,925	110,309
Property expenditure		2,550	-	-	2,550	-
Expenditure on charitable activities						
Grants and costs	3	1,164,808	78,672	-	1,243,480	1,031,949
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<b>1,252,844</b>	<b>79,430</b>	<b>4,681</b>	<b>1,336,955</b>	<b>1,142,258</b>
<b>Net expenditure and net movement in funds before net gains on investments</b>		<b>(716,738)</b>	<b>76,723</b>	<b>(17,275)</b>	<b>(657,290)</b>	<b>(492,580)</b>
Gross transfers between funds						
Expendable endowment transfer between funds	11,12	9,930	4,799	(14,729)	-	-
Sarah Walker Spafford transfer for unspent income		2,500	(2,500)	-	-	-
BFSS Trust transfer to permanent endowments		-	(202,667)	202,667	-	-
Management charges to restricted funds	11	7,175	(7,175)	-	-	-
<b>Net expenditure before other recognised gains and losses</b>		<b>(697,133)</b>	<b>(130,820)</b>	<b>170,663</b>	<b>(657,290)</b>	<b>(492,580)</b>
Other recognised gains and losses						
Revaluation surplus re investment property	5	15,000	-	-	15,000	-
Net (losses)/gains on investments	7a	(3,811,482)	(33,770)	(208,709)	(4,053,961)	3,139,001
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<b>(4,493,615)</b>	<b>(164,590)</b>	<b>(38,046)</b>	<b>(4,696,251)</b>	<b>2,646,421</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>						
Total funds brought forward		27,713,849	545,809	1,307,334	29,566,992	26,920,571
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<b>23,220,234</b>	<b>381,219</b>	<b>1,269,288</b>	<b>24,870,741</b>	<b>29,566,992</b>

The notes numbered 1 to 14 form part of these financial statements.  
All amounts relate to continuing activities.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
<b>INCOME</b>					
Donations and legacies		3,607	-	-	3,607
Investment income					
Rents receivable	5a	16,000	-	-	16,000
Investment income	7b	603,398	15,280	10,584	629,262
Interest receivable		776	19	13	808
Permanent endowment transfer to income	11,12	3,418	14,011	(17,428)	1
<b>Total income</b>		<b>627,199</b>	<b>29,310</b>	<b>(6,831)</b>	<b>649,678</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>					
Expenditure on raising funds					
Investment managers fees	7a	103,711	1,681	4,917	110,309
Property expenditure		-	-	-	-
Expenditure on charitable activities					
Grants and costs	3	945,255	86,694	-	1,031,949
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<b>1,048,966</b>	<b>88,375</b>	<b>4,917</b>	<b>1,142,258</b>
<b>Net expenditure and net movement in funds before net gains on investments</b>		<b>(421,767)</b>	<b>(59,065)</b>	<b>(11,748)</b>	<b>(492,580)</b>
Gross transfers between funds					
Expendable endowment transfer between funds	11,12	7,598	3,672	(11,270)	-
Management charges to restricted funds	11	5,888	(5,888)	-	-
<b>Net expenditure before other recognised gains and losses</b>		<b>(408,281)</b>	<b>(61,281)</b>	<b>(23,018)</b>	<b>(492,580)</b>
Other recognised gains and losses					
Net gains on investments	7a	2,951,248	47,838	139,915	3,139,001
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<b>2,542,967</b>	<b>(13,443)</b>	<b>116,897</b>	<b>2,646,421</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>					
Total funds brought forward		25,170,882	559,252	1,190,437	26,920,571
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<b>27,713,849</b>	<b>545,809</b>	<b>1,307,334</b>	<b>29,566,992</b>

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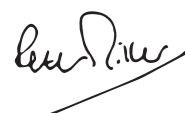
**BALANCE SHEET**  
**AT 31 DECEMBER 2022**

	Note	2022		2021	
		£	£	£	£
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
Tangible fixed assets	5		2,649		2,204
Investment properties	5		175,000		160,000
Investment assets	6,7		24,654,134		29,329,745
			<b>24,831,783</b>		<b>29,491,949</b>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Debtors and prepayments	8	3,223		2,519	
Cash at bank and in hand		132,060		176,739	
		<b>135,283</b>		<b>179,258</b>	
<b>LIABILITIES</b>					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	(96,325)		(104,215)	
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>			<b>38,958</b>		<b>75,043</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>			<b>24,870,741</b>		<b>29,566,992</b>
<b>REPRESENTED BY:</b>					
<b>CAPITAL ACCOUNT</b>					
Unrestricted funds					
General reserve			23,045,234		27,553,849
Revaluation reserve			175,000		160,000
			<b>23,220,234</b>		<b>27,713,849</b>
Restricted funds					
Endowment funds	11		381,219		545,809
	12		1,269,288		1,307,334
<b>TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS</b>			<b>24,870,741</b>		<b>29,566,992</b>

The notes numbered 1 to 14 form part of these financial statements.

Approved by the Council and authorised for issue on

and signed on its behalf by



Peter Miller - Chair



David Baron - Treasurer

**CASH FLOW STATEMENT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

	See Note Below	2022	2021
		£	£
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	1	(1,201,920)	(1,177,977)
<b>Cash flows from investing activities:</b>			
Dividends, interest and rents from investments		554,315	646,071
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(2,940)	-
Proceeds from sale of investments		11,694,990	8,396,812
Purchase of investments		(11,175,094)	(7,918,669)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities		<b>1,071,271</b>	<b>1,124,213</b>
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		(130,649)	(53,764)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period	2	445,532	499,296
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		<b>314,883</b>	<b>445,532</b>
<b>NOTE 1: Reconciliation of net income (expenditure) to net cash flow from operating activities</b>			
		2022	2021
		£	£
Net income (expenditure) for the reporting period (as per the statement of financial activities)		(4,696,251)	2,646,421
<b>Adjustments for:</b>			
Depreciation charges		2,495	2,320
Revaluation Surplus on Investment Property		(15,000)	-
Unrealised (gains)/losses on investments		3,186,897	(2,633,515)
Realised (gains)/losses on investments		885,767	(505,486)
Dividends, interest and rents from investments		(554,315)	(646,071)
Non-cash investment income		(2,919)	2,946
(Increase)/decrease in debtors		(704)	677
Increase/(decrease) in creditors		(7,890)	(45,270)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		<b>(1,201,920)</b>	<b>(1,177,977)</b>
<b>NOTE 2: Analysis of cash and cash equivalents</b>			
		2022	2021
		£	£
Cash in hand		132,060	176,739
Un-invested cash		182,823	268,793
Total cash and cash equivalents		<b>314,883</b>	<b>445,532</b>
<b>NOTE 3: Reconciliation of net debt</b>			
		2022	2021
		£	£
Cash in hand			
Un-invested cash			
At the beginning of the reporting period		176,739	268,793
Cashflows		(44,679)	(85,970)
At the end of the reporting period		<b>132,060</b>	<b>182,823</b>



## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### a) Basis of preparation

The British and Foreign Society is an unincorporated charity registered in England and Wales, registered charity number 314286. The registered office is 7-14 Great Dover Street, London SE1 4YR. The objectives and activities are as noted in the Annual Report.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note to these financial statements. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019) – (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Charities Act 2011. The accounts are prepared in £ being the functional currency of the charity and round to the nearest £.

The British & Foreign School Society meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. The Trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern because BFSS has over £24.6m of investments which is more than sufficient to cover at least 12 months of expenditure.

The most significant area of adjustment and key assumption that affects items in the financial statement relates to estimating the fair value of the investment property (see note 1(c) below).

#### b) Fixed assets

Fixed assets, with the exception of investment properties, are included at cost and are depreciated on a straight line basis over their useful lives at the following rates:

- Furniture and equipment 33%
- Computer equipment 25%

#### c) Investment properties

Investment properties are included in the financial statements at fair value. The Council has formerly valued the one remaining freehold property, the George Dent Nursery in Darlington, on the basis of ten times the annual rental income. The historic cost of the property is £1 (2021: £1).

#### d) Investment assets

Investments are a form of basic financial instrument and are initially recognised at their transaction value and subsequently measured at their fair value as at the balance sheet date using the closing market price. The Statement of Financial Activities includes the net gains and losses arising on the revaluation and disposals throughout the year. BFSS does not acquire put options, derivatives or other complex financial instruments.

#### e) Realised gains and losses

All gains and losses are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities as they arise. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between sales proceeds and their opening carrying value or their purchase value if acquired subsequently to the first day of the financial year.

Unrealised gains and losses are calculated as the difference between the fair value at the year end and their carrying value. Realised and unrealised investment gains and losses are combined in the Statement of Financial Activities.

#### f) Donations and similar incoming resources

Donations and similar incoming resources are included in the financial statements in the year in which they are receivable. All donations and legacy income is attributable to unrestricted funds.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

#### g) Investment income

Investment income and any related income tax recoverable are included in the financial statements in the year in which they are receivable.

#### h) Rental income

Rental income is normally credited in the financial statements in the year to which it relates. All rental income is attributable to unrestricted funds.

#### i) Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as resources expended as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to the expenditure. Expenditure is included in the statement of financial activities on an accruals basis and includes irrecoverable VAT.

#### j) Charitable activities

Charitable activities include grants by BFSS and the associated support costs. Grants are accounted for in the year in which the commitment is given, all relevant conditions having been fulfilled.

#### k) Support and governance costs

Support costs represent the cost of administering the affairs and managing and maintaining the assets of BFSS and of the other trust funds administered by BFSS.

Governance costs comprise all costs relating to the public accountability of BFSS and its compliance with regulation and good practice. These costs include the cost of Council meetings together with statutory audit fees.

#### l) Fund accounting

Trust funds that are the responsibility of BFSS are included in these accounts as restricted and endowment funds and details of the nature and purpose of each fund is set out in notes 11 to 12.

#### m) Leases

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the lease term.

#### n) Financial instruments

BFSS only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

#### o) Debtors

Debtors are amounts owed to BFSS. They are measured on the basis of their recoverable amount.

#### p) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash at bank is held to meet the day to day running costs of BFSS as they fall due. Cash equivalents are short term, highly liquid investments.

#### q) Liabilities

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the balance sheet date as a result of the past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably. Liabilities are recognised at the amount that BFSS anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.



**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

**2. CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE - GRANTS**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £
<b>International projects</b>						
A Partner in Education	18,585	-	18,585	26,977	-	26,977
AbleChildAfrica	29,924	-	29,924	14,920	-	14,920
Advantage Africa	8,704	-	8,704	10,000	-	10,000
African Adventures Foundation	3,301	-	3,301	13,776	-	13,776
African Revival	12,792	-	12,792	14,832	-	14,832
AfriKids UK	12,925	-	12,925	-	-	-
Amala Education	11,025	-	11,025	21,500	-	21,500
Asecondchance	-	-	-	19,050	-	19,050
Carers Worldwide - new application	23,548	-	23,548	12,455	-	12,455
Carers Worldwide - reversed	-	-	-	(11,575)	-	(11,575)
Challenge Aid	-	-	-	4,644	-	4,644
Chance for Childhood	30,000	-	30,000	15,000	-	15,000
Child Rescue Nepal	14,976	-	14,976	13,741	-	13,741
ChildHope UK	18,743	-	18,743	9,996	-	9,996
Children on the Edge	-	15,000	15,000	10,000	-	10,000
Consortium for Street Children (previously StreetInvest)	27,164	-	27,164	19,239	-	19,239
Diapalante	6,323	-	6,323	6,328	-	6,328
Disability and Development Partners (DDP)	15,415	-	15,415	19,742	-	19,742
EduKaid	15,765	-	15,765	19,065	-	19,065
Entraide (Mutual Aid)	10,000	-	10,000	20,000	-	20,000
Feed the Minds	14,699	-	14,699	-	-	-
Fields of Life	23,944	-	23,944	8,953	-	8,953
Hands Up Foundation	15,000	-	15,000	-	-	-
Healthprom	9,845	-	9,845	19,945	-	19,945
inhive	7,294	-	7,294	9,180	-	9,180
Irise International	38,000	-	38,000	35,000	-	35,000
Joshua Orphan and Community Care	15,610	-	15,610	-	-	-
Kidasha	10,740	-	10,740	10,740	-	10,740
Kyanninga CDC Trust	18,669	-	18,669	29,843	-	29,843
Learning for Life	13,017	-	13,017	10,900	-	10,900
Lyra in Africa	19,241	-	19,241	12,979	-	12,979
Made With Hope	-	15,933	15,933	-	-	-
Mobile Education Partnerships (MEP)	8,876	-	8,876	6,263	-	6,263
Mondo Foundation	12,104	-	12,104	-	-	-
Money for Madagascar	5,062	-	5,062	4,058	-	4,058
Pamoja Leo	7,041	-	7,041	10,000	-	10,000
Practical Tools Initiative	-	-	-	10,000	-	10,000
Prism the Gift Fund: Refugee Youth Service Collective Fund	7,140	-	7,140	-	-	-
Raising Futures Kenya	11,427	-	11,427	2,076	-	2,076
Redearth Education	20,574	-	20,574	20,702	-	20,702
Rwanda Action	16,250	-	16,250	11,600	-	11,600
Sabre Education	14,860	-	14,860	14,861	-	14,861
Seenaryo	14,990	-	14,990	-	-	-
Sense International	19,972	-	19,972	9,965	-	9,965
Signpost International	11,222	-	11,222	18,761	-	18,761
Standing Voice	4,096	-	4,096	15,990	-	15,990
Sub Saharan Advisory Panel	15,000	-	15,000	-	-	-
Teach A Man To Fish	-	-	-	14,980	-	14,980
Teach2Teach International	16,900	-	16,900	28,721	-	28,721
Team Kenya	13,538	-	13,538	-	-	-
Temwa	-	6,543	6,543	10,000	5,103	15,103
The Mwezi Foundation	-	5,001	5,001	-	5,002	5,002
Toybox	20,000	-	20,000	12,398	-	12,398
Transform Africa	-	-	-	-	19,400	19,400
Tushinde Children's Trust	9,951	-	9,951	-	-	-
Women's Education Partnership	23,384	-	23,384	-	-	-
	<b>697,636</b>	<b>42,477</b>	<b>740,113</b>	<b>587,605</b>	<b>29,505</b>	<b>617,110</b>

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**2. CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE - GRANTS**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £
<b>NOTE 2 CONTINUED</b>						
<b>UK projects</b>						
Academy Transformation Trust	8,716	-	8,716	-	-	-
Afghanistan and Central Asian Association	14,198	-	14,198	-	-	-
Asylum Welcome	12,454	-	12,454	-	-	-
Carefree Fostering Ind. Cornwall	-	-	-	30,588	-	30,588
Carers Trust Hillingdon	15,000	-	15,000	-	-	-
Children and Families Across Borders (CFAB)	15,000	-	15,000	-	-	-
Finding Rhythms	7,250	-	7,250	-	-	-
Hatfield Primary Academy - Astrea Academy Trust	13,700	-	13,700	6,850	-	6,850
HUB for SUCCESS through Edinburgh Napier University	15,000	-	15,000	22,500	-	22,500
Hull FC Rugby Community Sports & Education Foundation	15,710	-	15,710	-	-	-
Jericho Foundation	9,975	-	9,975	-	-	-
Kinship Care N Ireland	-	-	-	5,700	-	5,700
Northants Music & Performing Arts Trust	-	-	-	6,000	-	6,000
Parents and Children Together (PACT)	-	-	-	11,231	-	11,231
Passion for Learning CIO	10,000	-	10,000	-	-	-
Refugee Education UK	10,684	-	10,684	-	10,685	10,685
Royal Caledonian Education Trust	8,019	-	8,019	15,000	-	15,000
Sheffield Young Carers	13,877	-	13,877	28,269	-	28,269
SIEVEMK Gateway	17,257	-	17,257	9,995	-	9,995
Sistema Cymru	-	-	-	7,240	-	7,240
The Why Not? Trust for Care Experienced Young People	14,705	-	14,705	-	-	-
Voices from Care Cymru	14,570	-	14,570	-	-	-
Volunteer Tutors Organisation	28,743	-	28,743	28,581	-	28,581
YMCA Sutton Coldfield	28,594	-	28,594	29,941	-	29,941
	<b>273,452</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>273,452</b>	<b>201,895</b>	<b>10,685</b>	<b>212,580</b>
<b>Grants from restricted funds to organisations</b>						
Ashdon Primary School	-	500	500	-	-	-
Auckland Youth & Community Centre	-	2,500	2,500	-	5,000	5,000
Food Teachers Centre	-	2,000	2,000	-	3,500	3,500
Joanna Eden Outreach CIC	-	-	-	-	4,870	4,870
Katherine Semar Junior School	-	-	-	-	1,694	1,694
London South Bank University	-	-	-	-	8,000	8,000
R A Butler Academy School	-	5,000	5,000	-	-	-
Radwinter C of E Primary School	-	-	-	-	4,771	4,771
Saffron Hall Trust	-	5,000	5,000	-	-	-
Saffron Walden County High School	-	5,000	5,000	-	4,750	4,750
Saffron Walden Playgroup	-	1,000	1,000	-	-	-
The Friends of Great Chesterford Primary Academy	-	-	-	-	5,000	5,000
Theatre Unboxed	-	-	-	-	1,000	1,000
Wiltshire Community Foundation	-	14,000	14,000	-	16,000	16,000
	<b>-</b>	<b>35,000</b>	<b>35,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>54,585</b>	<b>54,585</b>
<b>Total organisational grants</b>	<b>971,088</b>	<b>77,477</b>	<b>1,048,565</b>	<b>789,500</b>	<b>94,775</b>	<b>884,275</b>
Grants from restricted funds to individuals	-	1,000	1,000	-	1,000	1,000
<b>Total individual grants</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>1,000</b>
<b>Total grants</b>	<b>971,088</b>	<b>78,477</b>	<b>1,049,565</b>	<b>789,500</b>	<b>95,775</b>	<b>885,275</b>
<b>Less: Grants returned during the year</b>	<b>(2,997)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(2,997)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(9,081)</b>	<b>(9,081)</b>
	<b>968,091</b>	<b>78,477</b>	<b>1,046,568</b>	<b>789,500</b>	<b>86,694</b>	<b>876,194</b>



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**3. CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE**

	International projects £	UK projects	Total 2022 £
<b>Grants</b> (see note 2)	740,113	306,455	1,046,568
<b>Support costs</b>			
Salaries and office costs	108,440	44,902	153,342
Shared learning expenses	5,027	2,081	7,108
Professional fees	14,161	5,863	20,024
	<u>127,628</u>	<u>52,846</u>	<u>180,474</u>
<b>Governance costs</b>			
Audit	4,837	2,003	6,840
Legal and professional costs	2,020	836	2,856
Trustee training	177	73	250
Council and Committee meetings	4,591	1,901	6,492
	<u>11,625</u>	<u>4,813</u>	<u>16,438</u>
	<u>879,366</u>	<u>364,114</u>	<u>1,243,480</u>

	International projects £	UK projects	Total 2021 £
<b>Grants</b> (see note 2)	608,029	268,165	876,194
<b>Support costs</b>			
Salaries and office costs	92,937	40,989	133,925
Professional fees	7,707	3,399	11,106
	<u>100,644</u>	<u>44,388</u>	<u>145,032</u>
<b>Governance costs</b>			
Audit	4,747	2,093	6,840
Legal and professional costs	2,114	933	3,047
Trustee training	69	30	99
Council and Committee meetings	511	226	737
	<u>7,441</u>	<u>3,282</u>	<u>10,723</u>
	<u>716,114</u>	<u>315,835</u>	<u>1,031,949</u>

Support and governance costs have been allocated in proportion to project location.

**4. STAFF COSTS & RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

	2022 £	2021 £
Salaries	117,033	91,389
Social security costs	6,643	4,985
Pension contributions	6,849	5,701
Consultants fees	14,864	6,306
Accountancy services	5,160	4,800
	<u>150,549</u>	<u>113,181</u>

The average number of employees during the year was:

Management and administration	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>
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No staff employee received remuneration amounting to more than £60,000 in the year (2021: None).

BFSS considers its key management personnel to comprise the members of the council and the BFSS Director. The Society delegates the day-day running of the charity to its Director. The ultimate responsibility lies with the Trustees. The remuneration of the Director in the year was £53,373 (2021: £50,917) including pension and employers' National Insurance.

BFSS bought in accountancy services from Godfrey Wilson which cost £5,160 (2021: £4,800).

Consultants fees include £9,180 to construct a new website and £4,501 in conference event planning.

No remuneration was paid to any member of the Council during 2022 or 2021 and there are no related party transactions to disclose other than above. Reimbursement of expenses in relation to attendance at meeting amounted to £1,036 paid to nine Trustees in 2022 (2021: £144 paid to 1 Trustee).

During the year a grant of £10,740 was paid to Kidasha, a charity of which J Miller is Chief Executive. J Miller does not have overall control of Kidasha, and did not attend the Grants Committee meeting where the grant was decided.

During the year a grant of £18,585 was paid to A Partner In Education, a charity of which A Barnecutt was Chief Executive for part of the year. A Barnecutt did not have overall control of A Partner In Education, and was not a trustee when the grant was decided.

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5. FIXED ASSETS	Freehold land & buildings £	Furniture & equipment £	Total £
<b>COST &amp; VALUATION</b>			
At 1st January 2022	160,000	11,574	171,574
Additions	-	2,940	2,940
Revaluation surplus	15,000	-	15,000
Disposals	-	(1,150)	(1,150)
At 31st December 2022	<b>175,000</b>	<b>13,364</b>	<b>188,364</b>
<b>DEPRECIATION</b>			
At 1st January 2022	-	9,370	9,370
Charge for the year	-	2,495	2,495
Disposals	-	(1,150)	(1,150)
At 31st December 2022	-	<b>10,715</b>	<b>10,715</b>
<b>NET BOOK VALUE</b>			
At 31st December 2022	<b>175,000</b>	<b>2,649</b>	<b>177,649</b>
At 31st December 2021	160,000	2,204	162,204

Freehold land and buildings comprise investment properties which are not depreciated.

Council values the freehold property, the George Dent Nursery in Darlington, on the basis of ten times annual rental income. A new lease was agreed with the tenant from 25 December 2022 at an agreed rent of £17,500 per annum and Council increased the property valuation to £175,000 at the end of 2022 accordingly, resulting in an increase to the revaluation surplus of £15,000. The historic cost of this property is £1 (2021: £1).

**5a RENTS RECEIVABLE**

	2022 £	2021 £
George Dent Nursery, Darlington	<b>16,000</b>	16,000

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6. UNITS HELD IN POOLED INVESTMENT FUND	Units held 1 Jan 2022 No.	Transfers between funds	Units sold No.	Units held 31 Dec 2022 No.
<b>a) Number of units held</b>				
<b>ENDOWMENT FUNDS</b>				
Wilmslow Fund	2,360	-	-	2,360
Darlington College Building Fund	2,112	-	-	2,112
Alfred Bourne	315	-	-	315
British School Charity	2,917	-	-	2,917
Old British School	2,161	-	-	2,161
West Street Old British School	788	-	-	788
BFSS Trust	-	1,652	-	1,652
	<b>10,653</b>	<b>1,652</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>12,305</b>
<b>RESTRICTED FUNDS</b>				
BFSS Trust	1,652	(1,652)	-	-
Berridge Trust	344	-	-	344
South Church Trust	389	-	-	389
Sarah Walker and Spafford	1,258	-	-	1,258
	<b>3,643</b>	<b>(1,652)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,991</b>
<b>UNRESTRICTED FUNDS</b>				
British & Foreign School Society	224,732	-	-	224,732
	<b>224,732</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>224,732</b>
	<b>239,028</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>239,028</b>

The charity invests the assets of all its funds into a single investment portfolio in order to minimise the costs of management. The portfolio is invested in a wide range of listed equities and fixed income holdings. In order to allocate the investments to each fund the portfolio is nominally divided into unitised holdings.

**b) Value of units held**

	Fund market value 1 Jan 2022 £	Transfers between funds £	Increase/ (decrease) in fund value £	Fund market value 31 Dec 2022 £
<b>ENDOWMENT FUNDS</b>				
Wilmslow Fund	289,620	-	(46,170)	243,450
Darlington College Building Fund	259,156	-	(41,312)	217,844
Alfred Bourne	38,664	-	(6,161)	32,503
British School Charity	357,940	-	(57,060)	300,880
Old British School	265,210	-	(42,278)	222,932
West Street Old British School	96,744	-	(15,422)	81,322
BFSS Trust	-	202,667	(32,310)	170,357
	<b>1,307,334</b>	<b>202,667</b>	<b>(240,713)</b>	<b>1,269,288</b>
<b>RESTRICTED FUNDS</b>				
BFSS Trust	202,667	(202,667)	-	-
Berridge Trust	42,158	-	(6,729)	35,429
South Church Trust	47,750	-	(7,611)	40,139
Sarah Walker and Spafford	154,382	-	(24,608)	129,774
	<b>446,957</b>	<b>(202,667)</b>	<b>(38,948)</b>	<b>205,342</b>
<b>UNRESTRICTED FUNDS</b>				
British & Foreign School Society	27,575,454	-	(4,395,950)	23,179,504
	<b>27,575,454</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(4,395,950)</b>	<b>23,179,504</b>
	<b>29,329,745</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(4,675,611)</b>	<b>24,654,134</b>
<i>Value per unit</i>	122.70			103.14



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7. POOLED INVESTMENT FUND	Investments	Un-invested cash	Total
	£	£	£
Opening value at 1 January 2022	29,060,952	268,793	29,329,745
<b>FUND MOVEMENTS</b>			
Investments acquired at cost	11,175,094	(11,175,094)	-
Proceeds of investments sold	(11,694,990)	11,694,990	-
Realised losses on sale of investments during the year	(885,767)		(885,767)
Unrealised losses on investments during the year	(3,186,897)		(3,186,897)
Exchange rate differences		18,703	18,703
Non-cash investment income	2,919		2,919
Investment income receivable	-	535,050	535,050
Investment management fees paid	-	(79,619)	(79,619)
Distributions to funds during the year	-	(1,080,000)	(1,080,000)
<b>NET FUND MOVEMENTS</b>	<b>(4,589,641)</b>	<b>(85,970)</b>	<b>(4,675,611)</b>
<b>CLOSING VALUE OF FUND AT 31 DECEMBER 2022</b>	<b>24,471,311</b>	<b>182,823</b>	<b>24,654,134</b>
	<b>Investments</b>	<b>Cash</b>	<b>Total</b>
UK fixed interest	498,761	-	498,761
Overseas fixed interest	1,609,568	-	1,609,568
UK equities	5,599,418	-	5,599,418
European equities	2,103,516	-	2,103,516
US equities	6,658,246	-	6,658,246
Other worldwide equities	3,382,396	-	3,382,396
<b>Managed funds</b>			
Emerging economies	1,057,924	-	1,057,924
UK property	1,208,221	-	1,208,221
Infrastructure	1,432,547	-	1,432,547
Commodities	520,714	-	520,714
Cash on deposit	400,000	182,823	582,823
	<b>24,471,311</b>	<b>182,823</b>	<b>24,654,134</b>

7a. INVESTMENT RETURN	2022	2021
	£	£
Unrealised (losses)/gains on investments during the year	(3,186,897)	2,633,515
Exchange rate movements	18,703	-
Realised (losses)/gains on investment during the year	(885,767)	505,486
Net (losses)/gains on investment assets	(4,053,961)	3,139,001
Investment income receivable (see note 7b))	535,050	629,262
Investment management fees paid and accrued	(90,925)	(110,309)
	<b>(3,609,836)</b>	<b>3,657,954</b>

The charity derives the majority of its income from the above investments. Whilst most of the funds held by the charity are available to meet expenditure, the trustees must balance the needs of current beneficiaries against those of the future. For this reason, although largely not a permanently endowed fund, the charity uses a total return basis in order to inform its budgeted expenditure across all funds.

The historic cost of investments held at the year end totalled £22,363,450.

The trustees report includes further discussion regarding the investment policy of the charity.

The trustees budgeted to spend from the investment returns detailed above £1,222,243 (2021: £1,398,014) to cover the spending requirements of the charity in the year. The remainder of the investment returns are to remain invested.

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7b. INVESTMENT INCOME	2022	2021
	£	£
UK fixed interest	11,049	14,680
Overseas fixed interest	12,743	7,646
UK equities	231,433	373,448
European equities	20,479	23,719
US equities	50,000	46,011
Other worldwide equities	65,032	27,594
UK property	55,700	53,607
Alternative assets	74,326	80,452
Other	14,288	2,105
	<b>535,050</b>	<b>629,262</b>

8. DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS	2022	2021
	£	£
<b>Due within one year</b>		
Sundry debtors and prepayments	3,223	2,519

9. CREDITORS AND ACCRUALS	2022	2021
	£	£
Grants payable	56,404	80,742
Rent received in advance	4,000	4,000
Other creditors	35,921	19,473
	<b>96,325</b>	<b>104,215</b>

**10. FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS**

*a) Other grants*

At the year end the BFSS has the intention to pay grants totalling £1,623,862 (2021: £1,147,687) in the future which have not been included in the accounts as they are conditional on the recipients providing satisfactory evidence that they have met the reporting requirements required by BFSS and the subsequent approval of payment.

*b) Leases*

BFSS is currently located in shared offices in London with an annual licence fee of £4,840. Service costs are based on usage and charged quarterly in arrears. The licence is terminable at three months notice giving a commitment of £1,210.

*c) Archive*

By Deed of Covenant and Gift signed on 11 December 2013 BFSS made a gift of the Archive to Brunel University. No further payment to Brunel University in respect of the Archive will therefore be made, nor will any further insurance costs be incurred.

*d) Capital commitments*

BFSS has no capital commitments at 31 December 2022 (2021: £ nil).

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**11. RESTRICTED FUNDS**

**TRUSTS AND OTHER FUNDS ADMINISTERED BY BFSS**

	Total restricted funds		Richard Pain Trust		BFSS Trust		Alfred Bourne	
	2022 £	2021 £	2022 £	2021 £	2022 £	2021 £	2022 £	2021 £
<b>Incoming resources</b>								
<b>Donations</b>	<b>124,973</b>	-	<b>124,973</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Investment income</b>								
Pooled investment fund	9,295	15,280	-	-	-	4,348	-	-
Bank interest	50	19	-	-	-	5	-	-
Permanent endowment transfer to income	21,835	14,011	-	-	7,385	-	1,408	1,365
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<b>156,153</b>	<b>29,310</b>	<b>124,973</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7,385</b>	<b>4,353</b>	<b>1,408</b>	<b>1,365</b>
<b>Resources expended</b>								
Direct charitable expenditure	78,672	86,694	42,477	31,609	-	6,000	2,000	2,000
Management and administration								
- investment management fees	758	1,681	-	-	-	761	-	-
- transfer from main fund	7,175	5,888	-	-	1,312	1,076	250	205
<b>Total resources expended</b>	<b>86,605</b>	<b>94,263</b>	<b>42,477</b>	<b>31,609</b>	<b>1,312</b>	<b>7,837</b>	<b>2,250</b>	<b>2,205</b>
<b>Net expenditure before (losses)/gains on investments</b>	<b>69,548</b>	<b>(64,953)</b>	<b>82,496</b>	<b>(31,609)</b>	<b>6,073</b>	<b>(3,484)</b>	<b>(842)</b>	<b>(840)</b>
Expendable endowment transfer	4,799	3,672	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sarah Walker Spafford transfer for unspent income	(2,500)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
BFSS transfer to permanent endowment	(202,667)	-	-	-	(202,667)	-	-	-
Net (losses)/gains on investments	(33,770)	47,838	-	-	-	21,690	-	-
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	<b>(164,590)</b>	<b>(13,443)</b>	<b>82,496</b>	<b>(31,609)</b>	<b>(196,594)</b>	<b>18,206</b>	<b>(842)</b>	<b>(840)</b>
Fund balances brought forward	545,809	559,252	9,526	41,135	214,271	196,065	5,062	5,902
Fund balances carried forward	381,219	545,809	92,022	9,526	17,677	214,271	4,220	5,062

Restricted funds represent the income of other charitable trusts which are administered by BFSS and unavailable for general charitable expenditure or donations which have been received for a specified purpose.

Name of Fund	Purpose of Fund
Richard Pain Trust	A restricted fund created by a grant from the Richard Pain Trust allocated to specific beneficiaries.
The British & Foreign School Society Trust (BFSS Trust) (Charity number 312516)	To provide financial assistance or award scholarships or grants to persons in the London Boroughs of Bermondsey, Bethnal Green, Poplar, Southwark and Stepney in connection with their education.
The Alfred Bourne Trust Fund (subsidiary of Charity number 314286)	To provide financial assistance to persons undertaking education up to the age of 30

**11. RESTRICTED FUNDS**

**TRUSTS AND OTHER FUNDS ADMINISTERED BY BFSS (continued)**

Berridge Trust		British School Charity		South Church Educational Fund		Sarah Walker and Spafford Memorial Fund		Old British School	
2022 £	2021 £	2022 £	2021 £	2022 £	2021 £	2022 £	2021 £	2022 £	2021 £
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
770	906	-	-	871	1,024	2,816	3,312	4,838	5,690
4	1	-	-	5	1	15	4	26	8
-	-	13,042	12,646	-	-	-	-	-	-
774	907	13,042	12,646	876	1,025	2,831	3,316	4,864	5,698
2,000	4,000	17,695	22,085	2,500	5,000	-	-	12,000	16,000
131	159	-	-	148	180	479	581	-	-
273	224	2,316	1,902	309	253	999	819	1,716	1,409
2,404	4,383	20,011	23,987	2,957	5,433	1,478	1,400	13,716	17,409
(1,630)	(3,476)	(6,969)	(11,341)	(2,081)	(4,408)	1,353	1,916	(8,852)	(11,711)
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,799	3,672
-	-	-	-	-	-	(2,500)	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(5,834)	4,518	-	-	(6,600)	5,110	(21,336)	16,520	-	-
(7,464)	1,042	(6,969)	(11,341)	(8,681)	702	(22,483)	18,436	(4,053)	(8,039)
44,976	43,934	31,475	42,816	56,587	55,885	178,126	159,690	5,786	13,825
37,512	44,976	24,506	31,475	47,906	56,587	155,643	178,126	1,733	5,786

Name of Fund	Purpose of Fund
The Berridge Trust (subsidiary of Charity number 314286)	To promote the training of cookery teachers in England and Wales.
The British School Charity (subsidiary of Charity number 314286)	To promote the education of persons under the age of 25 in the neighbourhood of Saffron Walden.
The Sarah Walker and Spafford Memorial Fund (administered under Charity number 314286)	To provide grants for educational travel for young people. Under the terms of the fund, the trustees can transfer unspent income to the main fund at their discretion.
Old British School (Charity number 309444)	To promote the education of persons under the age of 25 who are in need of financial assistance and live within a radius of 20 miles from Bratton, Wiltshire, preference being given to those resident in Bratton.



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**12. ENDOWMENT FUNDS**

**TRUSTS AND OTHER FUNDS ADMINISTERED BY BFSS**

	Total endowment funds		Wilmslow		Darlington	
	2022 £	2021 £	2022 £	2021 £	2022 £	2021 £
<b>Incoming resources</b>						
<b>Investment income</b>						
Permanent endowment pooled investment fund	12,697	10,584	-	-	-	-
Permanent endowment bank interest	69	13	-	-	-	-
Permanent endowment transfer to income	(25,360)	(17,428)	-	-	-	-
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<b>(12,594)</b>	<b>(6,831)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Resources expended</b>						
Investment management fees	4,681	4,917	898	1,089	803	975
<b>Net expenditure before (losses)/gains on investments</b>	<b>(17,275)</b>	<b>(11,748)</b>	<b>(898)</b>	<b>(1,089)</b>	<b>(803)</b>	<b>(975)</b>
Expendable endowment transfer between funds	(14,729)	(11,270)	(5,241)	(4,011)	(4,689)	(3,588)
BFSS transfer to permanent endowment	202,667	-	-	-	-	-
Net (losses)/gains on investments	(208,709)	139,915	(40,031)	30,997	(35,820)	27,736
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	<b>(38,046)</b>	<b>116,897</b>	<b>(46,170)</b>	<b>25,897</b>	<b>(41,312)</b>	<b>23,173</b>
Endowment fund balances brought forward	1,307,334	1,190,437	289,620	263,723	259,156	235,983
Endowment fund balances carried forward	1,269,288	1,307,334	243,450	289,620	217,844	259,156

Endowment funds represent capital amounts held by the charity for the longer term to generate income for the charity or the other trusts which are administered by BFSS. Endowment funds share in the total return from the investment funds. This allows trustees to invest endowment funds to maximise total return and to apply an appropriate proportion of the total return to income for the year and so be available for expenditure. BFSS has two types of endowment fund, permanent and expendable endowment funds.

Expendable endowments income can be spent as unrestricted funds, unless the charity is restricted to the areas in which the income and capital can be spent. Where the charity holds permanent endowments there is no ability to spend the original capital funds. Having considered their obligations under the duty of even-handedness the trustees made a transfer of £14,729 of the total return from the expendable endowment funds to income funds and a transfer of £25,360 of the total return from the permanent endowment funds to income funds. In making these decisions the trustees have taken into account the current investment climate, the return on investment for the year and the income needs of BFSS.

**Name of Fund**

**Purpose of Fund**

Wilmslow British School Endowment Fund (subsidiary of Charity number 314286)

The fund is an expendable endowment, however the capital is restricted. The original value of the capital is unknown. As authorised by the Charity Commissioners, BFSS continues to apply the clear income of this fund for its general purposes.

Darlington College Building Fund

The fund is an expendable endowment, however the capital is restricted. The original value of the capital is unknown. As authorised by the Charity Commissioners, BFSS continues to apply the clear income of this fund for its general purposes.

**12. ENDOWMENT FUNDS**

**TRUSTS AND OTHER FUNDS ADMINISTERED BY BFSS (continued)**

Alfred Bourne		British School Charity		Old British School		West Street		BFSS Trust	
2022 £	2021 £	2022 £	2021 £	2022 £	2021 £	2022 £	2021 £	2022 £	2021 £
705	829	6,530	7,679	-	-	1,765	2,076	3,697	-
4	1	36	9	-	-	10	3	19	-
(1,408)	(1,365)	(13,042)	(12,645)	-	-	(3,525)	(3,418)	(7,385)	-
(699)	(535)	(6,476)	(4,957)	-	-	(1,750)	(1,339)	(3,669)	-
120	145	1,110	1,347	822	997	300	364	628	-
(819)	(680)	(7,586)	(6,304)	(822)	(997)	(2,050)	(1,703)	(4,297)	-
-	-	-	-	(4,799)	(3,671)	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	202,667	-
(5,342)	4,136	(49,474)	38,310	(36,657)	28,382	(13,372)	10,354	(28,013)	-
(6,161)	3,456	(57,060)	32,006	(42,278)	23,714	(15,422)	8,651	170,357	-
38,664	35,208	357,940	325,934	265,210	241,496	96,744	88,093	-	-
32,503	38,664	300,880	357,940	222,932	265,210	81,322	96,744	170,357	-

**Name of Fund**

**Purpose of Fund**

The Alfred Bourne Trust Fund (subsidiary of Charity number 314286)

The fund is a permanent endowment. The income of the endowment is restricted as detailed in note 11.

The British School Charity (subsidiary of Charity number 314286)

The charity incorporates a permanent endowment. The income of the endowment is restricted as detailed in note 11.

Old British School (Charity number 309444)

The Old British School is an expendable endowment. The income of the endowment is restricted as detailed in note 11

West Street Old British School, Wareham (subsidiary of Charity number 314286)

The fund is a permanent endowment. As authorised by the Charity Commissioners, BFSS continues to apply the clear income of this fund for its general purposes.

The British & Foreign School Society Trust (BFSS Trust) (Charity number 312516)

The charity incorporates a permanent endowment. The income of the endowment is restricted as detailed in note 11. During the year the Charity Commission confirmed that they deem the fund to be a permanent endowment and the fund has been transferred to reflect their decision.

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**13. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS**

	Tangible fixed assets and investment property	Pooled funds	Net current assets	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£
<b>Endowment funds</b>				
Wilmslow Fund - expendable endowment	-	243,450	-	243,450
Darlington College Building Fund - expendable endowment	-	217,844	-	217,844
Alfred Bourne - permanent endowment	-	32,503	-	32,503
British School Charity - permanent endowment	-	300,880	-	300,880
Old British School - expendable endowment	-	222,932	-	222,932
West Street Old British School - permanent endowment	-	81,322	-	81,322
BFSS Trust - permanent endowment	-	170,357	-	170,357
	-	1,269,288	-	1,269,288
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Richard Pain Trust	-	-	92,022	92,022
BFSS Trust	-	-	17,677	17,677
Alfred Bourne	-	-	4,220	4,220
Berridge Trust	-	35,429	2,083	37,512
British School Charity	-	-	24,506	24,506
South Church Trust	-	40,139	7,767	47,906
Sarah Walker and Spafford	-	129,774	25,869	155,643
Old British School	-	-	1,733	1,733
	-	205,342	175,877	381,219
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
British & Foreign School Society	177,649	23,179,504	(136,919)	23,220,234
	177,649	24,654,134	38,958	24,870,741

	Tangible fixed assets and investment property	Pooled funds	Net current assets	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£
<b>Endowment funds</b>				
Wilmslow Fund - expendable endowment	-	289,620	-	289,620
Darlington College Building Fund - expendable endowment	-	259,156	-	259,156
Alfred Bourne - permanent endowment	-	38,664	-	38,664
British School Charity - permanent endowment	-	357,940	-	357,940
Old British School - expendable endowment	-	265,210	-	265,210
West Street Old British School - permanent endowment	-	96,744	-	96,744
	-	1,307,334	-	1,307,334
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Richard Pain Trust	-	-	9,526	9,526
BFSS Trust	-	202,667	11,604	214,271
Alfred Bourne	-	-	5,062	5,062
Berridge Trust	-	42,158	2,818	44,976
British School Charity	-	-	31,475	31,475
South Church Trust	-	47,750	8,837	56,587
Sarah Walker and Spafford	-	154,382	23,744	178,126
Old British School	-	-	5,786	5,786
	-	446,957	98,852	545,809
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
British & Foreign School Society	162,204	27,575,454	(23,809)	27,713,849
	162,204	29,329,745	75,043	29,566,992

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**14. TOTAL RETURN**

Endowment funds represent capital amounts held by the charity for the longer term to generate income for the charity or the other trusts which are administered by BFSS. Endowment funds share in the total return from the investment funds. This allows trustees to invest endowment funds to maximise total return and to apply an appropriate proportion of the total return to income for the year and so be available for expenditure. BFSS has two types of endowment fund, permanent and expendable endowment funds.

Where the charity holds permanent endowments there is no ability to spend the original capital funds. In 2007 the Charity obtained permission to use the total return basis for the investment of the permanent endowments held. The trustees are obliged to balance the income requirements to apply to current expenditure on charitable objects with the need for long term capital growth. In order to do achieve these two aims the charity must consider the unapplied total return available for transfer to the income funds.

	Alfred Bourne	British School Charity	West Street	BFSS Trust	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>INCOME</b>					
<b>Total permanent endowment balance at 1 January 2007</b>	26,393	244,329	66,037	138,341	475,100
<b>Value of the fund as at 31st December 2021</b>	38,664	357,940	96,744	202,667	696,015
Unapplied total return brought forward	12,271	113,611	30,707	64,326	220,915
Increase/ (decrease) in fund value	(6,161)	(57,060)	(15,422)	(32,310)	(110,953)
Unapplied total return at 31 December 2022	6,110	56,551	15,285	32,016	109,962
<b>Value of the fund as at 31st December 2022</b>	<b>32,503</b>	<b>300,880</b>	<b>81,322</b>	<b>170,357</b>	<b>585,062</b>

During the year the value of the investment fund fell by approximately 16% due to market fluctuations. The decrease in the fund value has contributed to the unapplied total fund halving from the brought forward level. As stated above, the trustees have a duty to balance the long term value of the endowment with the income available for expenditure. Although the fund has significantly fallen in value, the trustees have considered the post balance sheet date market value increase in the fund and have not deemed it necessary to restrict the monies transferred to the funds in the current year. Given the levels of increased giving planned over the next two years, the trustees will keep the allocations for expenditure under review.



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