# REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 00121413 (England and Wales) REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 298065

# Report of the Trustees and

<u>Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2021</u>

for

**British Fire Services Association** 

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<u>Report of the Trustees</u> for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2021. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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).

### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

### Objectives and activities

The company is a charity and forum for **all** Fire-Fighters to ensure the highest priority is afforded to all matters appertaining to fire safety and training which actively promotes the personal development of all Fire-Fighters, and to generally do things as may from time to time be necessary to elevate the status for the benefit of the community at large, and to assist members of the welfare fund and or other dependants of deceased members, or other deserving persons who may have been connected with the fire servic e.

The main activities undertaken in relation to these objects in 2021 were:

- The Governing Council and General Secretary continue to find ways to streamline the administrative processes and improve the financial efficiency of the Association;
- To continue in providing central support to the Districts and Overseas members;
- The Governing Council and General Secretary are developing new ways to improve communication with the membership, this includes our attendance at the Emergency Services Show.

### ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

The net expenditure for the year was £2,297 (2020 - £8,615 net income) after taking account of the loss on the charity investments of £3,805 (2020 - £9,299 gain on investments). The funds of the charity at 31 December 2021 reduced by £2,297 to £291,025.

### FINANCIAL REVIEW

Following the sale of a property in 2005 the charity has substantial reserves and the unrestricted reserves including those represented by fixed assets stood at £284,063 at 31 December 2021. These will cover the shortfall in income over running costs of the charity, and also be available for any emergencies which may arise.

### STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

### **Governing document**

the charity is a company limited by guarantee with the liability of each member not to exceed 12.5p. The governing document of the charity is the memorandum and articles of association dated 15 April 1912 as amended on 7 September 1987.

#### **Organisational structure**

The governing council is the governing body of the Association, the members of which are the directors for the purpose of company law and the trustees for the purpose of charity law. It is freely elected by the districts and groups and is represented by members of both the public fire services and occupational fire brigades. To be eligible to be elected to the governing council, a person must be a member of the Association.

## REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

**Registered Company number** 

00121413 (England and Wales)

**Registered Charity number** 

298065

Report of the Trustees

for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

### Registered office

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### **Trustees**

A J Barker

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PWT Mills

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P Basson

J Watson

M Stokes

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### **Company Secretary**

G Howgate

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M Stokes - Trustee

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<u>Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of</u> British Fire Services Association

### Independent examiner's report to the trustees of British Fire Services Association ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2021.

### Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

### **Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

- 1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- 2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- 3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- 4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Simon J Moss FCCA
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# Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds	31.12.21 Total funds £	31.12.20 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM Donations and legacies		9,940	364	10,304	8,037
Other trading activities	2	12,096	-	12,096	8,935
Total		22,036	364	22,400	16,972
EXPENDITURE ON Raising funds		10,123	-	10,123	7,643
Charitable activities Management costs		10,769	-	10,769	10,013
Total		20,892	-	20,892	17,656
Net gains/(losses) on investments		(3,805)	-	(3,805)	9,299
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(2,661)	364	(2,297)	8,615
Transfers between funds	10	(332)	332		
Net movement in funds		(2,993)	696	(2,297)	8,615
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		287,056	6,266	293,322	284,707
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		284,063	6,962	291,025	293,322

# Balance Sheet 31 December 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds	31.12.21 Total funds £	31.12.20 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					<b>-</b> 40
Tangible assets Investments	6 7	985 256,587	<del>-</del>	985 256,587	540 260,392
		257,572	-	257,572	260,932
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks	8	10,103	-	10,103	7,777
Cash at bank		22,139	6,962	29,101	30,442
		32,242	6,962	39,204	38,219
<b>CREDITORS</b> Amounts falling due within one year	9	(5,751)	-	(5,751)	(5,829)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		26,491	6,962	33,453	32,390
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		284,063	6,962	291,025	293,322
NET ASSETS		284,063	6,962	291,025	293,322
FUNDS Unrestricted funds Restricted funds	10			284,063 6,962	287,056 6,266
TOTAL FUNDS				291,025	293,322

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 December 2021.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

The notes form part of these financial statements

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**British Fire Services Association** 

M Stokes - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, with the exception of investments which are included at market value, as modified by the revaluation of certain assets.

#### Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

### **Expenditure**

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

### Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Fixtures and fittings

30% on reducing balance, 15% on reducing balance and 10% on reducing balance

### Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

#### Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

### **Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

#### **Investments**

Investments in accumulation share in the M & G Charibond Charities Fixed Interest Fund are stated at the mid-market price at 31 December. As the income in respect of these units is not distributed, but retained in the fund and reflected in the price of the units, it is not reflected in the Statement of Financial Activities. The movement in the value of the units during the year is recognised as an unrealised gain or loss.

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### 2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	31.12.21 £	31.12.20 £
Events and activities Charitable trading income	12,096	46 8,889
	12,096	8,935

### 3. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	31.12.21	31.12.20
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	280	73

### 4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2021 nor for the year ended 31 December 2020.

# Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2021 nor for the year ended 31 December 2020.

### 5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL	TICITYTIES		
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	fund	funds	funds
	£		£
	r	£	r
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	7,827	210	8,037
-			
Other trading activities	8,889	46	8,935
Other trading activities			
70.41	16716	256	16.070
Total	16,716	256	16,972
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	7,597	46	7,643
ruising runds	7,557	10	7,013
Ch			
Charitable activities			
Management costs	10,013	-	10,013
			-
Total	17,610	46	17,656
Total	17,010	40	17,030
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Net gains on investments	9,299	-	9,299
NET INCOME	8,405	210	8,615

There were no investment assets outside the UK.

5.	COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued				
		Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	
	RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS				
	Total funds brought forward	278,651	6,056	284,707	
	TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	287,056	6,266	293,322	
6.	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS				
				Fixtures and fittings £	
	COST At 1 January 2021 Additions			6,562 725	
	At 31 December 2021			7,287	
	<b>DEPRECIATION</b> At 1 January 2021 Charge for year			6,022 280	
	At 31 December 2021			6,302	
	NET BOOK VALUE At 31 December 2021			985	
	At 31 December 2020			540	
7.	FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS				
				Listed investments £	
	MARKET VALUE At 1 January 2021 Revaluations			260,392 (3,805)	
	At 31 December 2021			256,587	
	NET BOOK VALUE At 31 December 2021			256,587	
	At 31 December 2020			260,392	

### 7. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS - continued

The above investment comprises of 6063.136 accumulation shares in the M & G Charibond Charities Fixed Interest Common Investment Fund (listed UK investments). The historical cost of the investment was £128,543 (2020 - £128,543)

8.	STOCKS			31.12.21	31.12.20
	Finished goods			£ 10,103	£ 7,777
9.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE	WITHIN ONE YI	EAR	31.12.21	31.12.20
				\$1.12.21 £	£
	Other creditors Accruals and deferred income			104 5,647	103 5,726
				5,751	5,829
10.	MOVEMENT IN FUNDS				
		At 1.1.21	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.12.21 £
	Unrestricted funds General fund	287,056	(2,661)	(332)	284,063
	Restricted funds District fund Scholarship fund	5,388 878	364	332	6,084 878
		6,266	364	332	6,962
	TOTAL FUNDS	293,322	(2,297)	-	291,025
	Net movement in funds, included in the above a	re as follows:			
		Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
	Unrestricted funds General fund	22,036	(20,892)	(3,805)	(2,661)
	Restricted funds District fund	364	-	- -	364
	TOTAL FUNDS	22,400	(20,892)	(3,805)	(2,297)

# 10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

# Comparatives for movement in funds

		At 1.1.20 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.20 £
Unrestricted funds General fund		278,651	8,405	287,056
Restricted funds District fund		5,178	210	5,388
Scholarship fund		878		878
		6,056	210	6,266
TOTAL FUNDS		284,707	8,615	293,322
Comparative net movement in funds, included in t	he above are as f	follows:		
	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds General fund	16,716	(17,610)	9,299	8,405
Restricted funds				
District fund	256	(46)	-	210
TOTAL FUNDS	16,972	(17,656) =	9,299	8,615
A current year 12 months and prior year 12 month	s combined posit	tion is as follows:		
	At 1.1.20	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.12.21 £
Unrestricted funds General fund	278,651	5,744	(332)	284,063
Restricted funds	2.0,001	2,7	(332)	201,000
District fund Scholarship fund	5,178 878	574	332	6,084 878
	6,056	574	332	6,962
TOTAL FUNDS	284,707	6,318	-	291,025

### 10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds General fund	38,752	(38,502)	5,494	5,744
Restricted funds District fund	620	(46)	-	574
TOTAL FUNDS	39,372	(38,548)	5,494	6,318

### Scholarship fund

The purpose of this fund is to enable BFSA sponsored firefighters to take part in an exchange agreement between UK brigades and overseas fire departments. The objectives of the arrangement are to broaden outlook and gain experience. Fire-Fighters are accepted on the proviso that a short paper of approximately 1000 words, plus any appropriate photographs, is submitted for publication in the BFSA journal.

### District funds

These funds represent monies raised by district members to be used for district purposes such as visits and meetings. The district accounts which have been included in the financial statements have been drawn up for the years ended between 30 September 20 and 31 December 2020.

# 11. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2021.

Printing and stationery

Repairs and renewals

Travel and subsistence

Administration expenses

Advertising

Sundries

Postage

Donations

Depreciation

**Finance** 

Bank charges

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 December 2021		
101 the Teal Ended 31 December 2021	31.12.21	31.12.20
	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	528	370
Gift aid	559	530
Subscriptions	9,217	7,137
	10,304	8,037
Other trading activities		
Events and activities	-	46
Charitable trading income	12,096	8,889
	12,096	8,935
Total incoming resources	22,400	16,972
EXPENDITURE		
Other trading activities		
Opening stock	7,777	7,542
Purchases	12,449	7,832
Event and activities costs	-	46
Closing stock	(10,103)	(7,777)
	10,123	7,643
Support costs		
Management		
Insurance	251	251
Light and heat	1,000	1,000
Telephone	82	123
	000	100

109

500

48

355

565

180

73

3,600

6,804

989

983 219

48

120

735

330

3,600

7,648

901

280

<u>Detailed Statement of Financial Activities</u> for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

	31.12.21 £	31.12.20 £
Finance		
Governance costs		
Accountancy and legal fees	2,220	2,220
Total resources expended	20,892	17,656
Net income/(expenditure)	1,508	(684)