

**Charity Registration No. 1023334**

**Company Registration No. 01510380 (England and Wales)**

**THE WORLD ZOROASTRIAN ORGANISATION LIMITED**  
**ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016**

# THE WORLD ZOROASTRIAN ORGANISATION LIMITED

## LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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### Trustees

Mrs Meher Amersey  
Dr Kersey H Antia  
Dr Jehan Bagli  
Ms Shahin Bekhradnia  
Mr Sammy Homi Bhiwandiwalla  
Mr Maneck Bhujwala (Appointed 26 September 2016)

Dr Meherwan Boyce  
Mr Shahpur Captain  
Mrs Mani Clubwala  
Mrs Hutoxy Cowasjee  
Mrs Dhunmai Dalal  
Mrs Armaity Engineer  
Ms Benafsha Engineer  
Mr Russi Ghadiali  
Dr Godafreed Irani  
Prof Kaikhosrov Irani  
Dr Parmis Khatibi  
Mr Homi Khusrokhan  
Mr Jimmy Madon  
Mr Kayomارش Mehta  
Mr Dadi Mistry  
Mr Darius Mistry  
Mr Minoo Mistry  
Mr Dinyar Modi  
Mr Darayus Motivala  
Dr (Prof) Zenobia Nadirshaw (Appointed 26 September 2016)

Mrs Manijeh Parki  
Mrs Monaz Patel  
Mr Tirdad Sarooshian  
Mr Abtine Sassanfar  
Mr Kersi Shroff  
Mr Filli Vapiwala  
Mr Sam Vesuna  
Mr Rostam Yeganegi

### Secretary

Mr Darayus Motivala

### Charity number

1023334

### Company number

01510380

### Registered office

135 Tennison Road  
London  
SE25 5NF  
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# THE WORLD ZOROASTRIAN ORGANISATION LIMITED

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**Auditor**

Nash Harvey Group LLP  
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Hermitage Court  
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Kent  
ME16 9NT

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# THE WORLD ZOROASTRIAN ORGANISATION LIMITED

## TRUSTEES REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016**

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The trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 December 2016.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Companies Act 2006 and "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)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016)

### **Objectives and activities**

The charity's objects and principal activities are:

- The advancement of the Zoroastrian religious faith generally and in such particular respects as the association may from time to time think fit.
- The provision of a burial ground or grounds for persons of the Zoroastrian religion and up keep and maintenance of such grounds.
- The relief of poverty among persons of the Zoroastrian religion in such ways as the association shall from time to time think fit.
- The advancement of education for persons of the Zoroastrian religion.
- The relief of sickness for persons of the Zoroastrian religion.

The main objectives and activities for the year continued to be charitable aid for the medical treatment and education of Zoroastrians, the advancement of the Zoroastrian religious faith, and the relief of poverty among Zoroastrians. The strategies employed to assist the charity to meet these objectives included the following:

- Encouraging Zoroastrians everywhere to form national associations, which will network with the charity.
- Holding a seminar and lecture on Zoroastrian religion, history and culture.
- Holding social functions to raise funds.
- Publishing a journal and annual calendar.

The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

### **Achievements and performance**

The Achievements and Performance of the organisation are given in detail in the accompanying Annual Report prepared by the Managing Committee.

### **Financial review**

The charity generated a net increase in funds of £400,951

#### Principal Funding Sources

Aside from the income generated from the social functions, the principal funding source for the charity is currently by way of donations. Throughout the year donations received amounted to £263,634

Expenditure in the year has been in the form of assistance to the Zoroastrian community, thus supporting the key objectives of the charity. The charitable works are worldwide, and particularly in India.

#### Reserves Policy

Much of the company's charitable work cannot be expressed in financial terms and the aim of the directors is to accumulate a sufficient corpus of funds so that this work can be carried on supported by investment income alone. Donations targeted at particular individuals or events are passed through the hands of the company as quickly as possible, but donations to the various funds generally are being accumulated, subject always to the directors' discretion. For the sake of clarity, a sum of £250,000 for each of the Gujarat (with its subsidiary funds) and the Noshirwan F Cowasjee Medical Benevolent funds, and £300,000 for the General fund would presently be regarded as sufficient to maintain their intended activity without recourse to their capital amount.

# THE WORLD ZOROASTRIAN ORGANISATION LIMITED

## TRUSTEES REPORT (CONTINUED)(INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016**

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### Investment Policy

The charity's investments fared better this year, despite the volatile market conditions and the intention of the board has always been to hold investments for the long term.

However, the board has agreed that investments may and should be sold in order to assist financially in the plans to refurbish Bridge House.

### Risk Management

Despite the uncertainty of the stock market, the directors continue to regard a carefully managed portfolio of blue-chip securities as offering the best long-term prospects for a portion of the charity's funds. Investment in the charity's own premises adds a further balance to the risk of equities alone. Thirdly, a relatively high level of cash is maintained at all times unless suddenly depleted by emergency relief work.

Internal risks are minimised by the numbers and professional qualities of the managing committee and the fact that these financial statements are available, together with a full annual report of the charity's work, to the members of the Organisation in the UK and the rest of the world.

### Plans for Future Periods

The charity plans continuing the activities outlined above in the forthcoming years subject to satisfactory funding arrangements.

### **Structure, governance and management**

The organisation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 1st August 1980 and registered as a charity on 30th June 1993. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association, amended by special resolutions on 24th April 1993 and subsequently on 23rd September 2012, which established the objects and powers of the charitable company and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up, members are required to contribute an amount of £1.

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year were:

Mrs Meher Amersey

Dr Kersey H Antia

Dr Jehan Bagli

Ms Shahin Bekhradnia

Mr Sammy Homi Bhiwandiwalla

Mr Maneck Bhujwala

(Appointed 26 September 2016)

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Mr Dadi Bejonji Engineer

(Deceased 30 May 2016)

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Mr Darius Mistry

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## TRUSTEES REPORT (CONTINUED)(INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016**

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Mr Minoo Mistry  
Mr Dinyar Modi  
Mr Darayus Motivala  
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Mrs Monaz Patel  
Mr Tirdad Sarooshian  
Mr Abtine Sassanfar  
Mr Kersi Shroff  
Mr Filli Vapiwala  
Mr Sam Vesuna  
Mr Rostam Yeganegi

The directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law and under the company's Articles are known as members of the Management Committee. Under the requirements of the Memorandum and Articles of Association the members of the Management Committee are elected to serve for a period of three years after which they must be re-elected at the next Annual General Meeting. The Vice President is always elected from a country outside of the United Kingdom.

New trustees are co-opted to the Management Committee and are nominated or can offer themselves for election at the following Annual General Meeting.

Directors serve the Organisation voluntarily and draw no remuneration or benefits in kind. The directors are Trustees for the purposes of the Charities Act as amended by Statutory Instrument 2000 (No. 2868) and this report should be taken as the Trustees Report as required by that legislation and by the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (issued in March 2005).

No other third party is entitled to appoint a member of the Management Committee.

All directors receive monthly board minutes. Directors who are resident in the UK attend monthly meetings and take executive decisions. Overseas directors participate through email and telephone and attend meetings of the board when they are in the UK.

Day to day responsibility for the provision of the services rests with the senior management team who are primarily located in the United Kingdom. They communicate regularly by email and meet monthly.

Applications for grants are brought before the managing committee at their monthly meetings, and considered. Where necessary, further information is sought from trustees geographically closer to the applicant. Decisions to make grants are minuted although telephonic discussions may not be. Clear and urgent cases may be beyond discussion with the full committee but are minuted at the subsequent meeting. Relief to the Gujerat region is sent to Mr D K Tamboly (the ex vice-president of the charity), with specific instructions in the case of restricted funds. Mr D K Tamboly is the trustee of The World Zoroastrian Organisation Trust (India), a separate charity conforming to the law of India. Verification of the final destination of restricted funds is usually obtained from the donee in the form of a letter of thanks etc. as well as from the regular reports of Mr D K Tamboly to the managing committee. The World Zoroastrian Organisation Trust also collects funds in India from all over the world, for the same purposes as The World Zoroastrian Organisation collects in the UK.

During the year under review the charity held Abacus Education Limited as a wholly owned subsidiary and for the purpose of channelling its proposed commercial activities.

Charity regulations are not the same throughout the world and the charity welcomes and encourages Zoroastrians everywhere to form national associations which will network with The World Zoroastrian Organisation Limited.

# THE WORLD ZOROASTRIAN ORGANISATION LIMITED

## TRUSTEES REPORT (CONTINUED)(INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) *FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016*

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### Trustee Induction and Training

Most trustees are already familiar with the work of the charity and have a wide knowledge of business and commerce. They are guided by the Memorandum and Articles of Association, a copy of which is distributed to new members along with copies of the latest financial statements.

### **Auditor**

In accordance with the company's articles, a resolution proposing that Nash Harvey Group LLP be reappointed as auditor of the company will be put at a General Meeting.

The trustees report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

### **Mr Darayus Motivala**

Trustee

Dated: 23 July 2017



# THE WORLD ZOROASTRIAN ORGANISATION LIMITED

## STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

*FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016*

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The trustees, who are also the directors of The World Zoroastrian Organisation Limited for the purpose of company law, are responsible for preparing the Trustees Report and the accounts in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company Law requires the trustees to prepare accounts for each financial 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, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that year.

In preparing these accounts, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

# THE WORLD ZOROASTRIAN ORGANISATION LIMITED

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

### TO THE MEMBERS OF THE WORLD ZOROASTRIAN ORGANISATION LIMITED

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We have audited the accounts of The World Zoroastrian Organisation Limited for the year ended 31 December 2016 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Statement of Cash Flows and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard 102.

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under section 154 of that Act. 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 its trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

#### **Respective responsibilities of trustees and auditor**

As explained more fully in the statement of trustees responsibilities, the trustees, who are also the directors of The World Zoroastrian Organisation Limited for the purposes of company law, are responsible for the preparation of the accounts and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view.

The trustees have elected for the accounts to be audited in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 rather than the Companies Act 2006. Accordingly we have been appointed as auditors under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with regulations made under section 154 of that Act. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the accounts in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

#### **Scope of the audit of the accounts**

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the accounts sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the accounts are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the charitable company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the trustees; and the overall presentation of the accounts. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Trustees Annual Report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited accounts and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

#### **Opinion on accounts.**

In our opinion the accounts:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 December 2016 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

# THE WORLD ZOROASTRIAN ORGANISATION LIMITED

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

### TO THE MEMBERS OF THE WORLD ZOROASTRIAN ORGANISATION LIMITED

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

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Charities Act 2011 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the accounts are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the accounts are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

**David Smith Bsc FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)**  
for and on behalf of Nash Harvey Group LLP

29 August 2017

**Chartered Accountants**  
**Statutory Auditor**

The Granary  
Hermitage Court  
Hermitage Lane  
Maidstone  
Kent  
ME16 9NT

Nash Harvey Group LLP is eligible to act as an auditor in terms of section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006

# THE WORLD ZOROASTRIAN ORGANISATION LIMITED

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2016 £	Total 2015 £
<b><u>Income from:</u></b>					
Donations and legacies	3	105,983	157,651	263,634	709,117
Charitable activities	4	199,884	-	199,884	156,636
Other trading activities	5	1,569	-	1,569	3,655
Investments	6	28,264	5,364	33,628	30,516
<b>Total income</b>		<b>335,700</b>	<b>163,015</b>	<b>498,715</b>	<b>899,924</b>
<b><u>Expenditure on:</u></b>					
Raising funds	7	36,466	-	36,466	42,679
Charitable activities	8	37,970	138,582	176,552	537,274
<b>Total resources expended</b>		<b>74,436</b>	<b>138,582</b>	<b>213,018</b>	<b>579,953</b>
Net gains on investments	12	91,652	23,422	115,074	23,434
Gross transfers between funds		-	-	-	(75,104)
<b>Net incoming resources</b>		<b>352,916</b>	<b>47,855</b>	<b>400,771</b>	<b>268,301</b>
<b><u>Other recognised gains and losses</u></b>					
Other gains or losses	13	144	36	180	900
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<b>353,060</b>	<b>47,891</b>	<b>400,951</b>	<b>269,201</b>
Fund balances at 1 January 2016		2,466,781	948,976	3,415,757	3,146,557
<b>Fund balances at 31 December 2016</b>		<b>2,819,841</b>	<b>996,867</b>	<b>3,816,708</b>	<b>3,415,758</b>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

# THE WORLD ZOROASTRIAN ORGANISATION LIMITED

## BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2016

	Notes	2016		2015	
		£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Intangible assets	14		4,416		8,828
Tangible assets	15		1,931,264		1,936,397
Investments	16		842,955		728,563
			<u>2,778,635</u>		<u>2,673,788</u>
<b>Current assets</b>					
Debtors	18	90,790		54,862	
Cash at bank and in hand		1,040,872		775,734	
		<u>1,131,662</u>		<u>830,596</u>	
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	19	(93,589)		(88,626)	
Net current assets			1,038,073		741,970
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			<u>3,816,708</u>		<u>3,415,758</u>
<b>Income funds</b>					
Restricted funds	21		996,867		948,977
Unrestricted funds			2,819,841		2,466,781
			<u>3,816,708</u>		<u>3,415,758</u>

The company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 31 December 2016, although an audit has been carried out under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011. No member of the company has deposited a notice, pursuant to section 476, requiring an audit of these accounts under the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees responsibilities for ensuring that the charity keeps accounting records which comply with section 386 of the Act and for preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the 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 accounts, so far as applicable to the company.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

The accounts were approved by the Trustees on 23 July 2017

Mr Shahpur Captain  
Trustee

Mr Dinyar Modi  
Trustee

Company Registration No. 01510380

# THE WORLD ZOROASTRIAN ORGANISATION LIMITED

## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

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	Notes	2016 £	£	2015 £	£
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>					
Cash generated from operations	25		225,881		151,686
<b>Investing activities</b>					
Proceeds on disposal of tangible fixed assets		4,946		-	
Purchase of subsidiaries		-		(1)	
Purchase of other investments		(33,487)		(139,257)	
Proceeds on disposal of other investments		34,170		192,779	
Interest received		33,628		30,516	
<b>Net cash generated from investing activities</b>			39,257		84,037
<b>Net cash used in financing activities</b>			-		-
<b>Net increase in cash and cash equivalents</b>			265,138		235,723
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year			775,734		540,011
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at end of year</b>			1,040,872		775,734

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# THE WORLD ZOROASTRIAN ORGANISATION LIMITED

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016**

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### 1 Accounting policies

#### Charity information

The World Zoroastrian Organisation Limited is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is 135 Tennyson Road, London, SE25 5NF, UK.

#### 1.1 Accounting convention

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Companies Act 2006 and "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)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016). The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

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

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

#### 1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the accounts, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the accounts.

#### 1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives unless the funds have been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the accounts.

Endowment funds are subject to specific conditions by donors that the capital must be maintained by the charity.

#### 1.4 Incoming resources

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

Turnover is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable and represents amounts receivable for goods and services provided in the normal course of business, net of discounts, VAT and other sales related taxes.

# THE WORLD ZOROASTRIAN ORGANISATION LIMITED

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

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### 1 Accounting policies (Continued)

#### 1.5 Resources expended

#### 1.6 Intangible fixed assets other than goodwill

Intangible assets acquired separately from a business are recognised at cost and are subsequently measured at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses. Intangible assets acquired on business combinations are recognised separately from goodwill at the acquisition date if the fair value can be measured reliably.

Amortisation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Website	20% straight line.
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#### 1.7 Tangible fixed assets

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

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Freehold land and buildings	No depreciation deemed necessary.
Fixtures and fittings	15% reducing balance.

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year.

#### 1.8 Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments are initially measured at transaction price excluding transaction costs, and are subsequently measured at fair value at each reporting date. Changes in fair value are recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred.

A subsidiary is an entity controlled by the charity. Control is the power to govern the financial and operating policies of the entity so as to obtain benefits from its activities.

#### 1.9 Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives and intangible assets not yet available for use are tested for impairment annually, and whenever there is an indication that the asset may be impaired.

#### 1.10 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.



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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

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### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

#### 1.11 Financial instruments

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

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

#### **Basic financial assets**

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

#### **Basic financial liabilities**

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

#### **Derecognition of financial liabilities**

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

### 2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

# THE WORLD ZOROASTRIAN ORGANISATION LIMITED

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

### 3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2016	Total 2015
	£	£	£	£
Donated goods and services	105,983	157,651	263,634	709,117
	<u>105,983</u>	<u>157,651</u>	<u>263,634</u>	<u>709,117</u>
<b>For the year ended 31 December 2015</b>	<u>203,971</u>	<u>505,146</u>		<u>709,117</u>

### 4 Charitable activities

	2016 £	2015 £
Fund raising activity income - dinner dances and barbecues	13,108	23,596
Charitable rental income	165,292	133,040
Other income	21,484	-
	<u>199,884</u>	<u>156,636</u>
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	<u>199,884</u>	
<b>For the year ended 31 December 2015</b>		
Unrestricted funds		149,913
Restricted funds		6,723
		<u>156,636</u>

### 5 Other trading activities

	2016 £	2015 £
Trading activity income: Subscriptions	1,569	3,655
	<u>1,569</u>	<u>3,655</u>

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### 6 Investments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2016	Total 2015
	£	£	£	£
Income from listed investments	20,307	3,369	23,676	26,311
Interest receivable	7,957	1,995	9,952	4,205
	<u>28,264</u>	<u>5,364</u>	<u>33,628</u>	<u>30,516</u>
<b>For the year ended 31 December 2015</b>	<u>26,906</u>	<u>3,610</u>		<u>30,516</u>

### 7 Raising funds

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2016	Total 2015
	£	£	£	£
<u>Fundraising and publicity</u>				
Other fundraising costs	28,068	-	28,068	37,778
Depreciation and impairment	2,667	-	2,667	2,687
Support costs	5,731	-	5,731	2,214
	<u>36,466</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>36,466</u>	<u>42,679</u>
Fundraising and publicity	<u>36,466</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>36,466</u>	<u>42,679</u>
<b>For the year ended 31 December 2015</b>				
Fundraising and publicity	<u>38,943</u>	<u>3,736</u>		<u>42,679</u>

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### 8 Charitable activities

	2016 £	2015 £
Depreciation and impairment	1,932	1,945
Financial assistance to individuals and appeals.	159,614	477,542
	<u>161,546</u>	<u>479,487</u>
Share of support costs (see note 9)	4,007	3,245
Share of governance costs (see note 9)	10,999	54,542
	<u>176,552</u>	<u>537,274</u>
<b>Analysis by fund</b>		
Unrestricted funds	37,970	
Restricted funds	138,582	
	<u>176,552</u>	
<b>For the year ended 31 December 2015</b>		
Unrestricted funds		70,935
Restricted funds		466,339
		<u>537,274</u>

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### 9 Support costs

	Support costs	Governance costs	2016	2015	Basis of allocation
	£	£	£	£	
Bank charges	1,634	-	1,634	1,424	Transactions
Communications	339	-	339	285	Time
General Office	83	-	83	207	Time
Postage	1,957	-	1,957	1,287	Direct
Premises	1,144	-	1,144	1,187	Floor Area
Publicity and Hospitality	959	-	959	482	Direct
Repairs	3,438	-	3,438	253	Support
Travel	184	-	184	334	Support
Audit fees	-	1,500	1,500	2,380	Governance
Accountancy	-	1,500	1,500	-	Governance
Legal and professional	-	6,357	6,357	50,496	Governance
Annual Report	-	1,352	1,352	1,405	Governance
General Administration	-	180	180	152	Governance
Premises	-	110	110	109	Governance
	<u>9,738</u>	<u>10,999</u>	<u>20,737</u>	<u>60,001</u>	
Analysed between					
Fundraising	5,731	-	5,731	2,214	
Charitable activities	4,007	10,999	15,006	57,787	
	<u>9,738</u>	<u>10,999</u>	<u>20,737</u>	<u>60,001</u>	

Governance costs includes payments to the auditors of £1,500 (2015: £1,500) for audit fees.

### 10 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

### 11 Employees

There were no employees during the year.

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### 12 Net gains/(losses) on investments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2016	Total 2015
	£	£	£	£
Revaluation of investments	66,574	16,643	83,217	(37,705)
Gain/(loss) on sale of investments	25,078	6,779	31,857	61,139
	<u>91,652</u>	<u>23,422</u>	<u>115,074</u>	<u>23,434</u>
<b>For the year ended 31 December 2015</b>	<u>18,747</u>	<u>4,687</u>		<u>23,434</u>

### 13 Other gains or losses

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2016	Total 2015
	£	£	£	£
Foreign exchange gains	(144)	(36)	(180)	(900)
	<u>(144)</u>	<u>(36)</u>	<u>(180)</u>	<u>(900)</u>
<b>For the year ended 31 December 2015</b>	<u>(720)</u>	<u>(180)</u>		<u>(900)</u>

### 14 Intangible fixed assets

	Website £
<b>Cost</b>	
At 1 January 2016 and 31 December 2016	<u>22,064</u>
<b>Amortisation and impairment</b>	
At 1 January 2016	13,236
Amortisation charged for the year	4,412
	<u>17,648</u>
At 31 December 2016	
<b>Carrying amount</b>	
At 31 December 2016	<u>4,416</u>
At 31 December 2015	<u>8,828</u>

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### 15 Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold land and buildings £	Fixtures and fittings £	Total £
<b>Cost</b>			
At 1 January 2016	1,935,149	12,121	1,947,270
Disposals	(4,946)	-	(4,946)
At 31 December 2016	1,930,203	12,121	1,942,324
<b>Depreciation and impairment</b>			
At 1 January 2016	-	10,873	10,873
Depreciation charged in the year	-	187	187
At 31 December 2016	-	11,060	11,060
<b>Carrying amount</b>			
At 31 December 2016	1,930,203	1,061	1,931,264
At 31 December 2015	1,935,149	1,248	1,936,397

### 16 Fixed asset investments

	Listed investments £	Unlisted investments £	Other investments	Total £
<b>Cost or valuation</b>				
At 31 December 2016	728,462	100	1	728,563
Additions	33,487	-	-	33,487
Valuation changes	83,218	-	-	83,218
Disposals	(2,313)	-	-	(2,313)
At 31 December 2016	842,854	100	1	842,955
<b>Carrying amount</b>				
At 31 December 2016	842,854	100	1	842,955
At 31 December 2015	728,462	100	1	728,563

	Notes	2016 £	2015 £
Other investments comprise:			
Investments in subsidiaries	24	1	1

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17 Financial instruments		2016	2015
		£	£
<b>Carrying amount of financial assets</b>			
Debt instruments measured at amortised cost		81,207	54,077
Equity instruments measured at cost less impairment		842,954	728,562
		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
<b>Carrying amount of financial liabilities</b>			
Measured at amortised cost		4,789	3,442
		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
18 Debtors		2016	2015
		£	£
<b>Amounts falling due within one year:</b>			
Amounts due from subsidiary undertakings		40,730	17,532
Other debtors		49,643	36,940
Prepayments and accrued income		417	390
		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
		90,790	54,862
		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
19 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		2016	2015
	Notes	£	£
Deferred income	20	88,800	85,184
Other creditors		1,789	1,942
Accruals and deferred income		3,000	1,500
		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
		93,589	88,626
		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>



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### 20 Deferred income

	2016 £	2015 £
Arising from Deferred Income	88,800	85,184

Deferred income is included in the financial statements as follows:

	2016 £
Balance as at 1 January 2016	85,184
Deferred in year	37,000
Released in year	(33,384)
	<u>88,800</u>

Deferred income represents the unexpended element of donations received, pending the Managing Committee's decision as to the application of the funds in line with the donors' request.

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### 21 Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

	Movement in funds				Balance at 31 December 2016 £
	Balance at 1 January 2016 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Revaluations, gains and losses £	
Noshirwan F Cowasjee Medical Benevolent	408,851	39,259	(44,418)	-	403,692
Gujerat Relief	64,537	7,208	(6,324)	-	65,421
Emergency Relief	56,575	491	-	-	57,066
Mobed	1,329	12,173	(12,162)	-	1,340
Religious Education	11,723	20,696	(20,270)	-	12,149
Poverty Relief: Roshan A Dehnugara	24,451	11,362	(7,452)	-	28,361
Poverty Relief: Rhoda Rupa	33,642	10,723	(10,250)	-	34,115
Education: Aloo Vatcha	106,784	41,162	(29,746)	-	118,200
Education: Edward Framrose Edulji & Allan Framrose Gazi	14,907	5,772	(4,171)	-	16,508
Education: Dr Minocher Rustom Vesuna & Mrs Dowlat Minocher Vesuna	54,827	3,879	(3,788)	-	54,918
Education: Sheroo Darabsha Kolsavala	-	15,073	-	-	15,073
Hormuzdiar Damkevala Humanitarian Endowment	42,638	1,995	-	-	44,633
Unrealised Capital Gain	128,712	-	-	16,679	145,391
	<u>948,976</u>	<u>169,793</u>	<u>(138,581)</u>	<u>16,679</u>	<u>996,867</u>

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### 21 Restricted funds

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#### Purposes of Restricted Funds:-

**Noshirwan F Cowasjee Medical Benevolent Fund** - An income earning corpus from which to provide financial help with medical expenses, specifically where ordinary health provisions prove inadequate in the patient's country of residence.

**Gujarat Relief Fund** - The relief of poverty amongst the Zoroastrian farming community in Gujarat.

**Emergency Relief Fund** - For Zoroastrian community relief in the event of natural disasters.

**Mobed Fund** - To relieve the problems of members of the priestly class who have fallen upon hard times.

**Religious Education Fund** - To fund the education expenses of students and public at the priest's college for Zoroastrians.

**Poverty Relief Funds** - To provide relief from poverty.

**Education Funds** - To provide loans or grants for the further education of Zoroastrians from all over the world who would otherwise be unable to complete their studies.

**Hormuzdiar Damkevala Humanitarian Endowment** - To provide humanitarian relief to Zoroastrians worldwide.

### 22 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total
	£	£	£
Fund balances at 31 December 2016 are represented by:			
Intangible fixed assets	3,268	1,148	4,416
Tangible assets	1,426,841	504,423	1,931,264
Investments	622,787	220,168	842,955
Current assets/(liabilities)	766,944	271,129	1,038,073
	<u>2,819,840</u>	<u>996,868</u>	<u>3,816,708</u>

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### 23 Related party transactions

No members of the management committee received any remuneration during the year. Postage and other administration costs amounting to £3,388 (2015: £1,301) were reimbursed to 2 (2015:2) members of the management committee. Some directors do not claim reimbursement of expenses incurred. Volunteers have postage and other administration expenses reimbursed to them and these are included in the resources expended unless specific to fund raising activities.

No trustee or other person related to the charity had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity during the year (2015: Nil).

During the year:

- I. The World Zarathushtrian Trust Fund, a charity with two common trustees, contributed funds totalling £1,213 (2015: £6,000) to Education and Medical Funds.
- II. The Firuz Madon Foundation, a charity with one common trustee, contributed funds totalling £7,518 (2015: £Nil) to the General Fund, to assist in furthering the aims and objectives of the charity.
- III. The Dasturji Dr Sohrabji H Kutar Benevolent Fund, a charity with two common trustees, contributed funds totalling £1,213 to Education and Medical Funds (2015: £1,000)
- IV. The Eruch & Roshan Sadri Foundation, a charity with one common trustee, contributed funds totalling £33,383 (2015: £77,500) to General and Education Funds.

### 24 Subsidiaries

These financial statements are separate charity financial statements for The World Zoroastrian Organisation Limited.

Separate company financial statements are required to be prepared by law. Consolidated financial statements for the group are not required to be prepared as the group consolidated is classified as small under company disclosure requirements.

Details of the charity's subsidiaries at 31 December 2016 are as follows:

Name of undertaking	Registered office	Nature of business	Class of shares held	% Held	
				Direct	Indirect
Abacus Education Limited	UK	Property Management	Ordinary	100.00	

The aggregate capital and reserves and the result for the year of subsidiaries excluded from consolidation was as follows:

Name of undertaking	Profit/(Loss)	Capital and Reserves
	£	£
Abacus Education Limited	14,154	23,195

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25 Cash generated from operations	2016 £	2015 £
Surplus for the year	400,769	268,300
Adjustments for:		
Investment income recognised in statement of financial activities	(33,628)	(30,516)
Foreign exchange differences	180	900
Gain on disposal of investments	(31,857)	(61,139)
Fair value gains and losses on investments	(83,217)	37,705
Depreciation and impairment of tangible fixed assets	4,599	4,632
Movements in working capital:		
(Increase) in debtors	(35,928)	(43,643)
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	1,347	(109,737)
Increase in deferred income	3,616	85,184
<b>Cash generated from operations</b>	<u>225,881</u>	<u>151,686</u>