



British Dyslexia Association
(A company limited by guarantee)

Trustees report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2026

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Reference and administrative details

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THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026

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Chairman's statement for the year ended 31 March 2026

As Chair of the Board of Trustees, I am proud of the progress the British Dyslexia Association (BDA) has made this year. This has been a year of significant achievement, growth and increasing influence, delivered in what continues to be a very challenging financial and operating environment for charities across the UK. Despite these pressures, the organisation has taken important steps towards greater long-term sustainability, strengthening our services, investing in our people and infrastructure, and developing new income streams that will support our future resilience and impact.

Throughout the year, the BDA has continued to provide vital support to children, young people and adults with dyslexia, alongside the parents, carers, educators and employers who support them. From our national helpline and assessments service to our training, professional qualifications and growing tuition offer, the organisation has demonstrated both ambition and adaptability. I am particularly pleased to see the continued growth of our professional standards work and the increasing reach of our training and accreditation programmes, helping to improve understanding and support for dyslexic people across education and workplaces.

This year has also seen the BDA strengthen its public voice and advocacy work. Through influential research reports, increased parliamentary engagement, and the work of the All-Party Parliamentary Group for Dyslexia, we have worked hard to ensure dyslexia remains firmly on the national agenda. Dyslexia Awareness Week 2025, with its theme of "raising the volume on dyslexia", captured this ambition. It was inspiring to see so many dyslexic young people and adults sharing their experiences and helping to shape the conversation. As an organisation, we are increasingly ensuring that dyslexic voices are not only heard but listened to and acted on.

I would also like to warmly welcome the new Trustees who joined the Board during the year. They bring a valuable range of skills, expertise and perspectives which will strengthen the organisation as we move into our next strategic period. On behalf of the Board, I would like to thank our staff, volunteers, members, supporters, partners and funders for their continued commitment and hard work throughout the year. Their passion and dedication continue to drive the organisation forward.

As we look ahead, I am excited about the opportunities of the next strategy period and the role the BDA can continue to play in creating a more inclusive society for dyslexic people. While challenges remain, the organisation enters the next year with strong foundations, growing influence and a clear sense of purpose. I look forward to building on this momentum next year.

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Michelle Catterson
Chair of the Board of Trustees

Date: 16 September 2026

Trustees report

The Trustees are pleased to present their annual report together with the consolidated financial statements of the charity and its subsidiary for the year ended 31 March 2026, which are also prepared to meet the requirements for a directors' report and accounts for Companies Act purposes.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, 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).

The information on page 3 forms part of the Trustees' Report.

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Charity's aims and objectives and when planning future activities.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The British Dyslexia Association ("the BDA", "the Charity") has its principal objects contained within the Charity's memorandum and articles of association, which are:

"to advance the education of dyslexic people of all ages in relation to all aspects of dyslexia and related conditions, and to conduct research for the public benefit into the problems of dyslexia and related conditions and to disseminate the results of such research."

Vision, Mission and Values

Vision

Our vision is for a world where people with dyslexia can flourish.

Mission

Our mission is to change society by removing barriers so that everyone with dyslexia can reach their full potential in education, in employment and in life.

- **We raise awareness** - we inform and educate to encourage inclusion and inspire change.
- **We promote understanding** - we base our expertise on evidence and research, setting professional standards and influencing policy.
- **We empower people** - as the leading national dyslexia charity, we speak out on behalf of the dyslexia community to champion a dyslexia-friendly society.

Values

- Excellence - We work with our community and each other to continuously improve all that we do and the services we offer.
- Respect - We are an inclusive organisation where everyone has a voice which is listened to and is valued for the unique skills they bring.
- Team work - We collaborate and support each other in pursuit of our vision: we are strongest and most effective when we work together.
- Innovation - We embrace different thinking and encourage everyone to bring their ideas and initiatives, reflecting the diversity of the community we support.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Our main activities and who we support are described below.

We support children, young people, parents and carers, and adults with dyslexia – and we work with the people and professionals around them to make sure they have the skills and resources to support people with dyslexia effectively. We work to influence policy and practice to make sure all people with dyslexia can achieve their full potential and thrive – whether in school, in work or in life. .

Below we set out our main activities and achievements for the year 2025-26 and how we supported children, young people and adults with dyslexia, how we worked with professionals and workplaces, how we engaged with our community, and how we worked to increase awareness and advocate for change.

All our charitable activities are undertaken to further our charitable purposes for the public benefit.

1. Supporting individuals with dyslexia

National Helpline

Our national helpline continues to be a vital source of support and expert information for individuals and organisations across the UK. We are working to strengthen the helpline volunteer team with the recruitment of a dedicated team of volunteers to focus on email and social media responses, enabling the existing team to answer more calls within our existing opening hours.

“Thank you so much for your support and specific ways to challenge the university...without you, I am not sure we would have been successful.”

Online support groups

Our online support sessions provide a safe and welcoming space for adults with dyslexia and families of dyslexic children and young people. Open to all, these free and confidential sessions offer an opportunity to connect, share experiences, and support one another. They have been well attended to date and received positive feedback. They now run every other month to support individuals to be able to attend regularly.

Assessments

We provide full diagnostic assessments for dyslexia and dyscalculia – for children and adults – helping individuals gain a clearer understanding of their needs and access potential funding and support. Assessments can be conducted online or in person by specialist teachers or educational psychologists.

2025-26 was our first full year of in-house delivery of assessments with stronger quality assurance processes. In 2025-26, we arranged **1,333 assessments**, including **76 bursary assessments** for those on low incomes. Most of these assessments were diagnostic assessments for dyslexia, with 490 for adults and 698 for children. We also completed 27 dyscalculia assessments for adults, 39 dyscalculia assessments for children and 79 workplace needs assessments.

We continue to prioritise the quality of the assessment experience and reports, and our success is shown from the feedback we receive from families, including:

“The assessor was great at putting my child at ease and she left having a really positive experience.”

“I thought the process was going to be slow and difficult to organise, but it was quite the opposite. The response from the BDA was almost immediate as was the response from the assessor. Thank you!”

“I found the whole process really easy, from my initial call with the BDA to receiving the report was less than a month, the BDA were extremely helpful and the assessor extremely reassuring.”

Screening

We are aware that screeners provide a lower cost indicator of dyslexic needs. While they do not replace an assessment in providing a diagnosis and a full profile of strengths and needs, they can be a useful tool for identifying likely needs.

We conducted a tender process to review products currently on the market so that we could support families to identify high quality screeners. This process is complete, and in 2026-27 we will signpost to screeners that met quality requirements from our website, with a discount for families who are buying a screening.

Tuition

In March 2026, we launched our new tuition service. This service will enable families and individuals to find a tutor and receive online tuition, from a dyslexia specialist who can really understand and support individual needs, through our customised platform. The benefits of literacy tutoring by specialists in children's mental health, school attendance and educational outcomes is well established and is a well-regarded and cost-effective intervention. Evidence shows that tutoring by a dyslexia specialist increases learning behaviours, such as metacognition skills and engagement within a short time frame. Research by the Early Intervention Fund showed that parents overwhelmingly supported tutoring as an intervention, making a positive difference in confidence, attainment and attendance

At the end of 2026, over 30 tutors had completed our requirements and were registered on the tuition platform. Over the next year, we will work to develop and grow our offer, and also deliver two funded projects, providing tuition support to disadvantaged groups of children, including children in care.

Local Dyslexia Hubs

This year, we entered year two of our Local Dyslexia Hubs pilot project in Devon, South Wales, and Northern Ireland. We continued to develop a volunteering programme in these areas to provide dyslexia awareness, training and support to young people, educators, parents and workplaces.

Year two saw us strengthen our volunteering practices, build a new onboarding process, and invest in a volunteer management system. Our dedicated group of volunteers helped us create new dyslexia awareness talks and road test them with groups of students, workplaces, parents and teachers. The talks have received excellent feedback.

“I was so impressed with both Susan and Helen as I could see that they dealt with customers with such a level of empathy and knowledge. Everyone they spoke to went away very happy and armed with plenty of information.”

Feedback from a library in Northern Ireland where our Local Hub volunteers hosted a stand to support individuals and families seeking information and advice about dyslexia. This has since led to our volunteers being invited to a further 16 libraries, including to host a ‘Dyslexia Information Evening’ for parents.

Through our Local Hubs in 2025–26, we also provided free places for 15 teachers to attend our virtual Dyscalculia Conference.

Going into year three, our main focus is on fully rolling out the talks offer, with a particular focus on dyslexia awareness talks for learners. We will also continue to provide wider support in the community by distributing tutoring bursaries for young people from low-income backgrounds, alongside further bursary places for educators to attend our virtual conferences.

Dyslexia Network

Local Dyslexia Associations (LDAs) received six editions of LDA E-news this year, keeping them informed about BDA updates, each other’s events, and key developments.

2. Supporting our community

Training

Bespoke Training

In 2025-26, we delivered over **90 bespoke training sessions** to over **4,000 participants**. While the majority of sessions were held online, almost 40% took place in person. 53 of these sessions were education-focused, and the other 40 addressed dyslexia and dyscalculia in the workplace.

We offer bespoke training in a range of formats, from one-hour sessions to full-day workshops. Around half of our bespoke training is provided at a discounted rate for charities, public sector organisations, and maintained schools. Most of the training is on dyslexia awareness, helping to build understanding

of dyslexia and ways to support dyslexic people to achieve their potential. Our audiences are varied, including training specifically for foster carers. In education, we see many bookings for specialist provision, including independent non-maintained special schools.

Online training

A total of **24 online courses** were delivered during 2025-26 to 274 participants. These included Fundamentals of dyscalculia, Practical solutions for dyslexia, and training on the new assessment report format.

E-Learning

We remain committed to expanding our e-learning offer, ensuring high-quality, accessible training for all. Our free e-learning courses were downloaded over 1,800 times and there were over 800 purchases of our paid-for elearning courses.

We reviewed and updated the content of a number of these courses ready to be launched in 2026-27, including a strengthened non-accredited CPD offer for education professionals and workplaces.

Professional level courses

Since October 2025, we have welcomed 14 active students onto the Level 7 Testing for Exam Access Arrangements (L7TEAA) programme. In March, we updated the course to reflect the new JCQ regulations, and we are pleased to see strong progress across the cohort, including 100% retention at the three-month point and the first successful completion from our initial group of students.

We have also continued to develop our Level 5 and Level 7 Dyslexia and Dyscalculia programmes. Following the introduction of the new SASC report format, we updated the Level 7 courses to keep them aligned with current professional standards and to give students clearer guidance on report writing and submission requirements.

Alongside this, we developed additional guidance for the Level 5 teaching tasks in response to feedback from tutors and assessors. These changes are helping us improve consistency in both teaching practice and assessment outcomes.

We are also carrying out a wider review of the Level 5 Dyscalculia course. This includes looking at reducing the word count in line with OCN requirements, alongside making targeted improvements to strengthen clarity, accessibility and the overall quality of the course. Through this work, we aim to maintain academic rigour while improving the experience for candidates and supporting more efficient assessment processes.

Overall, at the end of the financial year, we had over 250 learners enrolled across the Level 5 and 7 Dyslexia courses, the Level 5 and 7 Dyscalculia courses and on the Level 7 TEAA programme. During the year, 348 learners completed their accredited courses from Level 2 to Level 7.

Feedback from our students:

"I can't thank you enough for all your support throughout this course - your knowledge and guidance has been invaluable and I have worked through my individual targets and goals and feel confident to progress"

"I'm really pleased that I now know how I can make a difference to a child with dyslexia. I'm looking forward to putting these skills into practice."

"I would like to say how much I am enjoying the course so far. There has been a lot to take on board and get my head around but I have really enjoyed the challenge and access to this whole new world of information."

Course development

We are currently developing a Level 4 Dyslexia course designed to bridge the gap between theoretical understanding of dyslexia and effective implementation in professional practice. The course aims to support practitioners in translating knowledge into practical, evidence-informed strategies that can be applied confidently within educational settings.

This development will allow us to create a clear progression pathway for learners across Levels 2–7. While learners will continue to engage at the level most appropriate to their individual needs and professional goals, they will also have the opportunity to progress between levels as their knowledge, skills and experience develop.

At the same time, we are developing a combined Level 5 and Level 7 pathway. This new route will allow appropriately experienced practitioners to achieve full assessor status in around two years, compared with the current minimum timeframe of two years and eight months. By introducing this accelerated pathway, we aim to improve accessibility, support workforce development and respond to the growing demand for qualified assessors.

Professional standards

This year has been a particularly active period for professional standards development, with SASC publishing a revised assessment report format and updated approved test list during the first three quarters. These changes have had cross-organisational implications, requiring coordinated input from training, assessment, and related teams to ensure full alignment with the new requirements.

Work was undertaken to develop a standardised report template and updated questionnaires, which was also made available to professional members as part of the membership offer.

BDA Accreditation

BDA professional accreditations are prestigious awards that recognise individuals who have achieved a high level of competency in specialist teaching and/or assessment. To be eligible, individuals must have completed a BDA-accredited course within the last three years. To ensure ongoing quality and up-to-date knowledge, accreditations must be renewed every three years.

This year, our Accreditation and Membership team has focused on supporting members who have not updated their CPD within the past three years to do so to maintain their active accreditation. This work helps ensure members keep their knowledge and practice up to date and continue to use the most effective approaches to support individuals with dyslexia and other specific learning difficulties.

In 2025-26, over **2,700 professionals** held a BDA accreditation, with 21 courses officially accredited by the BDA.

Expanding access to accreditation

This year has seen a significant change in the accreditation landscape, with Specialist Teacher and Specialist Teacher Assessor courses now approved by SASC rather than the BDA. This is a positive development, ensuring closer alignment between BDA and SASC standards and requirements.

As a result, the BDA is now able to accredit practitioners from a broader range of appropriate courses. It is anticipated that this will support growth in the number of individuals holding BDA accreditation and membership.

Professional membership

BDA Professional Membership is available in three categories:

- Professional Membership
- Professional Affiliate Membership
- Professional Student Membership

Membership is renewed annually and comes with a range of benefits, ensuring ongoing engagement with the BDA community. In 2025-26 we had over **1,600 professional members**.

We have continued to strengthen and expand our professional membership offer. Insight, our member magazine, has grown in both scope and content, with increased contributions from practitioners alongside updates on wider organisational activity. We also published the latest edition in a more accessible online “bookstyle” format, helping to improve usability and reach.

Member engagement remains strong, with networking meetings continuing to attract good levels of participation. We have also seen increased use of the online Continuing Professional Development (CPD) log, which supports members to record, track and reflect on their professional learning and practice.

SASC Courses

Last year we created seven eLearning courses, approved by the SpLD Assessment Standards Committee (SASC). These courses contribute to the formal CPD required by assessors. The uptake for these courses has been steadily increasing from 26 in the first quarter to 60 in the last quarter of the year.

Mentoring

Over the last year, we have developed a new range of structured mentoring packages aligned with SASC requirements. These packages are designed to support practitioners at different stages of their careers through a combination of mentor support, detailed feedback on reports and access to SASC-approved online learning.

The mentoring packages have been developed in response to growing demand for more structured CPD opportunities, particularly from practitioners seeking practical guidance and support rather than solely selfdirected learning.

Next year, we will launch these packages, offering tailored mentoring based on individual development needs, discounted rates for members and dedicated support for newly qualified Level 7 assessors as they build confidence, strengthen their practice and develop their skills in the early stages of their careers.

Dyslexia Friendly Quality Mark

Our Dyslexia Friendly Quality Mark (DFQM) gives educational institutions such as schools and colleges, and workplaces, a framework for improvement and recognition of good practice for individuals with dyslexia.

The DFQM had **26 schools and colleges** register to start during the year. During this financial year we carried out **23 verifications**, and all these educators were successful in achieving the Quality Mark. Ten existing schools and colleges were re-verified to continue holding the Quality Mark status. The total number of Quality Mark holders stood at **73** at the end of the year, a 30% increase from the previous year.

During 2025/26, we reviewed the processes and content of DFQM to simplify delivery and increase impact. We will launch the new model early in 2026-27 with schools and they will complete the verification process in one year rather than two. We will also improve how we collect information from schools so that we are better able to monitor impact and make responsive improvements.

The DFQM continues to make a real difference for dyslexic children's experience in schools, as shown by these comments from Warrick Barton, Headteacher at Pensford Primary School:

“We are delighted to have received the Dyslexia Quality Mark from the BDA. We feel that the impact of the support and guidance we have received in working towards this has been a great benefit to our pupils. The understanding the staff now have of how to support children with dyslexia has grown very significantly. We now have a ‘toolkit’ of approaches, and a new-found confidence among teachers and teaching assistants that in turn feeds trust in us from the parents and pupils themselves. They know we can help the to achieve their ‘personal best’, which has always been our mission. Perhaps the most rewarding part has been seeing children with dyslexia achieve beyond their own initial expectations and showing that the standard of their reading and writing is right there alongside that of their peers.”

3. Increasing reach, raising awareness and advocating for change

Policy and campaigns

This has been an exceptionally busy year for our policy and influencing work, as we have continued to strengthen the voice of dyslexia across government, education and employment. We have worked both independently and in partnership with others to influence policy development, improve practice and ensure dyslexic people remain visible in national conversations about education, work and inclusion.

Our ongoing policy work includes representing the interests of dyslexic people through engagement with organisations and forums including Ofqual, Department for Work and Pensions, His Majesty’s Revenue and Customs, Joint Council for Qualifications and through our membership of the Special Educational Consortium. Our CEO also continues to contribute to the Department for Education’s Neurodivergence Task and Finish Group and the Ministry of Justice Reading Panel for Prisons, helping to ensure dyslexia is considered within wider national policy discussions.

We have also significantly increased our parliamentary engagement over the past year. This has included meeting regularly with Members of Parliament, tabling parliamentary questions and producing briefing papers to support informed debate and decision making. Through this work, we have continued to build strong relationships with policymakers and keep dyslexia firmly on the political agenda at a time of major reform across education and employment.

During the year, we responded to a number of important Government consultations and reviews, including the Curriculum and Assessment Review, the Reading for Pleasure agenda, Alan Milburn’s review of young people who are not in education, employment or training (NEET), and the Work and Pensions Committee inquiry into youth unemployment, education and training. In each case, we worked to ensure that the experiences and needs of dyslexic children, young people and adults were properly represented.

In 2026–27, we will continue to build on this work by responding to consultations, influencing policy development and ensuring that dyslexic people remain part of national conversations about education, employment and opportunity.

All Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) for dyslexia

We continue to act as the Secretariat for the APPG for Dyslexia, supporting its work to raise awareness of dyslexia and influence policy across education and employment. The APPG has an engaged group of parliamentarians who support its work and is chaired by Juliet Campbell, MP for Broxtowe.

The APPG has continued to build momentum with a strong programme of discussions on key policy issues affecting dyslexic children, young people and adults.

Our meetings included:

- June 2025, the APPG explored teacher training and the importance of ensuring education professionals have the knowledge and confidence to identify and support dyslexic learners effectively.
- September 2025, discussions focused on early identification and screening, including the barriers to consistent identification across schools and local authorities and the importance of early support.
- January 2026, the APPG considered the case for a national dyslexia strategy, examining how a more joined up and consistent approach could improve outcomes for dyslexic people across education, employment and public services.
- March 2026, the APPG discussed Alan Milburn's review of young people who are not in education, employment or training (NEET), including the implications for dyslexic young people and the wider need for better support during transition into adulthood and work.

Research

This year, we published three major research reports that together build a clearer picture of the barriers dyslexic people continue to face across the education system.

In June 2025, we launched **Mind the Gap: The GCSE Dyslexia Divide**, which examined the attainment gap between dyslexic students and their peers in GCSE English and maths. The report highlighted the scale and persistence of educational inequalities and reinforced the urgent need for earlier identification and more effective support.

In October 2025, we published **Set Up for Somebody Else: Young People with Dyslexia in the Education System**. This research focused directly on the experiences and voices of dyslexic young people in England, exploring how dyslexia has shaped their education, confidence and future opportunities, as well as the changes they believe are needed within the system.

This was followed in February 2026 by **Lost in the System: Dyslexic Children are Invisible in Most English Local Authorities**, which mapped how dyslexia is recognised and supported across England. The findings revealed significant inconsistencies in identification, recognition and provision, with many local authorities unable to say how many dyslexic children they support.

Together, these reports are helping to shape the BDA's future policy work and campaigning priorities. They provide a strong evidence base for influencing government, local authorities and the wider education sector, while supporting our long-term aim of creating a more inclusive and effective education system for dyslexic learners.

Alongside this work, we have also begun two significant new research projects for 2026–27. The first focuses on dyslexic adults in the workplace, exploring how dyslexia has influenced career choices, workplace experiences and progression opportunities, as well as the support currently provided by employers.

The second project will examine the experiences of dyslexic young people aged 18–25 who are not in education, employment or training (NEET). Through this research, we aim to better understand the barriers they face, the impact dyslexia may have had on their opportunities and choices, and what changes are needed to improve pathways into education, training and work.

Communications

Our website saw **640,000 new users** with **2.9 million** page views. Alongside maintaining our website, we have also started work on a new website which will bring wide-scale change to the organisation. The website and CRM background work we have been undertaken this year will allow us to have data systems that serve our beneficiaries with relevance and efficiency, with an expected launch of the new website and updated CRM in 2026/27.

Our social media presence steadily grew across all channels, showing a total following of 117K (+7%) and our digital e-community grew to 33.6K (+20%).

We refreshed our brand to a more engaging and approachable style, and it continues to be rolled out across assets. With established generic resources now in place, we are building a strong set of assets with clear messaging and purpose.

Our events

This year, we provided training to educators through our virtual and in-person conferences, with **536 attendees** made up of dyslexia specialists and classroom educators. We were proud to offer free and

low-cost bursary places at our conferences to Local Hub volunteers, DFQM schools and those working towards their Level 5 and Level 7 qualifications. Our conferences regularly achieve 100% positive feedback in relation to helping attendees feel more confident in supporting dyslexic learners in the classroom.

We ran a reduced number of webinars during the year, providing information and support on topics such as revision skills to over **500** parents, educators, adults with dyslexia and workplaces.

In 2025, we chose not to hold our Annual Awards Night. In its place, we hosted a parliamentary reception to bring together decision-makers and BDA supporters to highlight our recently released report, *Set Up for Somebody Else*. The evening was sponsored by Ryman and attended by young people who spoke passionately about their experiences. We were also pleased that education minister Georgia Gould MP took the time to listen to the young speakers and engage openly in conversation about the challenges they face.

Dyslexia Awareness Week 2025

Dyslexia Awareness Week #DAW25 took place between 6 and 12 October with the theme of raising the volume on dyslexia. At the heart of this year's campaign was a shared goal: to ensure every young person with dyslexia is heard, understood, and supported in education.

We launched the 'Set up for somebody else' report, exploring young people's experiences of education, and we were also proud to launch the UK's first voice petition in partnership with Jamie Oliver. The online petition gathered a range of high-profile participants including Davina McCall, LadBaby, Anna Maxwell Martin and over 1,500 voices were recorded, 15 hours of lived experience shared. We also provided interactive PowerPoints for use in school and workplaces and hosted two online get togethers.

4. Building an effective and sustainable organisation

People and culture

This year, we continued to strengthen employee wellbeing, engagement and organisational capability across the BDA. Following our annual staff survey, which highlighted high levels of engagement and confidence in managers, we developed an organisation-wide action plan focused on areas for improvement including work-life balance, communication and understanding of organisational strategy. Staff from across the organisation are helping to shape and implement these actions through focus groups and wider engagement activity.

Employee wellbeing remained a key priority throughout the year. Our wellbeing calendar delivered regular initiatives including walking challenges, promotion of the Employee Assistance Programme and a programme of wellbeing activities extending through to the end of 2025, all of which received positive feedback. Staff sickness levels remained low overall, and we continued to support colleagues facing significant health challenges, including recovery from serious illness, work-related stress and cancer treatment.

We also continued to invest in our workforce through recruitment, training and organisational development. Successful recruitment campaigns filled several key new and replacement roles across finance, professional standards, communications and learning and service development. We maintained a strong focus on accessibility and inclusivity within recruitment processes, including providing interview questions in advance. During the year, we also undertook a small organisational restructure, including changes within the Training team and the creation of a new Learning and Service Development team to strengthen resilience and support future growth.

Significant progress was made in staff training, compliance and policy development. We introduced and expanded mandatory training across safeguarding, cyber security, data protection and sexual harassment, alongside targeted support for line managers to strengthen appraisal and performance processes. We also signed a new contract with the Charity Learning Consortium to enhance our internal e-learning provision, updated a number of policies in response to legislative changes, and continued work to modernise the Employee Handbook through a more accessible digital platform.

Fundraising

Our fundraising approach during the year included applications to trusts and foundations, challenge and virtual events, community fundraising, individual giving, corporate partnerships, legacies and in-memory giving. We made significant progress in trust fundraising, securing funding for several projects, including tutoring support for low-income families, alongside continued funding for our Local Hubs project.

We saw many adults, young people and families come forward to fundraise and support the BDA through challenge events, virtual events, community fundraising and other initiatives.

We are grateful for the support of companies over the year, in particular our standout multi-year charity partnership with Ryman and the Theo Paphitis Retail Group. This year, the partnership raised more than £30,000, which has supported the delivery of dyslexia assessments for young people from low-income families and helped fund our research into the impact of dyslexia on young people. This research is actively informing our campaigning and policy work.

We also received legacy and in-memory donations and are deeply grateful to the individuals and families who chose to support our charity at a time of loss.

The BDA is registered with the Fundraising Regulator and is committed to meeting the standards set out in the Code of Fundraising Practice. We work to ensure that fundraising is carried out in a respectful and responsible manner. Employees involved in fundraising and volunteers fundraising on behalf of the BDA, are expected to follow the Code of Fundraising Practice and respect supporters' communication preferences. We take steps to protect people in vulnerable circumstances and other members of the public from unreasonable intrusion on their privacy, persistent fundraising approaches and undue pressure to donate. Our safeguarding and data protection policies also support these protections.

The BDA does not use professional fundraisers or commercial participators to carry out fundraising on our behalf. We do use external fundraising platforms to support challenge events, community fundraising and individual giving, including JustGiving, Run for Charity and Enthuse.

The BDA also raises funds through the Unity Community Lottery, which is managed by Sterling Lotteries. We support responsible gambling practices and work with our lottery partner to ensure compliance with the Gambling Act and Gambling Commission requirements. Participation is restricted to people aged 18 and over, and procedures are in place to help prevent gambling by children and young people.

We received no complaints about our fundraising practices during the year.

Impact measurement

Across the organisation, we have implemented new processes to better embed impact measurement into our work. This helps us understand where we are making the greatest difference, ensuring our services deliver maximum value and that our time and resources are focused where they are needed most.

As part of this work, we have also engaged with the dyslexia community to gather baseline data and better understand the real-time issues people are facing, helping to ensure our work responds to need and forms part of the solution.

Operations

During the year, the BDA continued to improve its operations enabling us to deliver our charitable work effectively. We focused on keeping our people, systems and processes robust, efficient and ready to support future growth.

We improved our IT systems, cybersecurity and digital processes. Work is also underway on updating our CRM system and developing a new website, which will help us simplify and automate more of our processes. We continued to review cybersecurity and data protection controls to keep organisational and stakeholder information safe.

We also continued to review how we work, so we can improve efficiency, strengthen controls and use resources effectively in line with the BDA's strategic objectives.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The financial environment remained challenging throughout the year, with the charity sector continuing to experience inflationary pressures, global instability and increased competition for grant and fundraising income. At the same time, demand for support and services remains strong, highlighting the continued pressures on individuals, families, educational settings and workplaces.

The Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 March 2026 shows a deficit of **£191,423** (2025: deficit of £326,338).

Income

Total income has increased by 2.8% to **£2,242k** (2025: £2,182k). Income from Donations & Legacies have grown by 34% increasing from £146k to £196k. This is mainly due to a legacy donation of £50k received in the year as well as full year funding for our local hubs project, providing community support in South Wales, Devon and Northern Ireland.

Income from Charitable activities has increased by 0.3% with growth in assessments, professional memberships and accreditations. Training and conference income decreased compared to 2024-25, due to the successful International conference which was held in June 2024.

Expenditure

Total expenditure decreased by 3% to **£2,433k** (2025: £2,509k), predominantly due to full year impact of an internal restructure in 2024 as well as a reduction in expenditure due to the International conference held in the prior year.

The BDA has also implemented careful financial management of general expenditure during the year to ensure efficiency in a challenging environment.

Balance sheet

Net current assets decreased by £214k to **£141k** (2025: £355k). This is mainly reflected in lower cash and cash investments. At the end of the year, £816k (2025: £976k) was held as cash or cash investments, with £504k invested in fixed term deposit or notice accounts, to maximise investment return in the form of interest paid, with minimal risk.

Total reserves decreased by £191k to **£171k** in the year (2025: £362k), reflecting the operational deficit.

Reserves policy and going concern

The Trustees have a responsibility to ensure the continuity of the organisation and the fulfilment of its charitable aims. It is therefore necessary to maintain an adequate level of reserves. Free reserves are the part of BDA's unrestricted funds that is available to spend on any of the Charity's purposes. This definition excludes restricted income funds, although holding such funds may influence BDA's reserves policy.

The Trustees take a risk-based approach to reserves and review the reserves policy annually. The Board has set a reserves policy which requires:

- Reserves to be maintained at a level which ensures that BDA's core activity could continue during a period of unforeseen difficulty
- A proportion of reserves to be maintained in a readily realisable form.

The calculation of the required level of free reserves considers:

- Risks associated with each stream of income and expenditure differing to budget
- Planned activity level
- Organisational commitments
- The gap between the spending and receiving of income, as well as the level of deferred income on the balance sheet.
- Retaining a level of funding that will allow flexibility and agility of response to business growth and development opportunities which enable the organisation to meet its strategic objectives.

On this basis, the Trustees consider that the ideal level of free reserves as 31 March 2026 is **£340k** of which at least 50% should be held as cash.

Reserves held at 31 March	2026	2025
Unrestricted free reserves	£60,240	£185,852
Restricted reserves	£110,501	£176,312
Total reserves	£170,741	£362,164

Unrestricted free reserves are currently below the target level. Over the last 18 months, the organisational structure has been streamlined, operational plans reviewed and measures put in place to continually monitor key indicators. We have invested in new services, updated our strategy and are currently improving our website to facilitate future income growth. The actions taken will allow the BDA to continue to support the dyslexic community and meet its charitable aims.

The Trustees have approved a small surplus budget for 2026-27 and are focused on rebuilding unrestricted reserves back to the target level.

Related Party Transactions

Transactions between the BDA and BDA (Initiatives) Ltd, its subsidiary undertaking, have been disclosed and are included in these consolidated accounts. Other related party transactions have been disclosed in the consolidated accounts.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Charity is a company limited by guarantee governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 5th July 1984 (last amended 30 September 2024). It gained formal charitable status from the Charity Commission in England and Wales on 4th February 1985.

BDA Initiatives Ltd

The charity has a wholly owned non-charitable subsidiary: BDA (Initiatives) Limited, which has previously carried out non-charitable trading activities to raise funds for the Charity. During the last 12 months, the trading subsidiary has been largely dormant.

Governance

The Board of Trustees has adopted the Charity Governance Code and assess its compliance with the Code as part of its ongoing review and strengthening of governance.

The Board of Trustees is collectively responsible for the governance and strategic direction of the Charity together with its financial health, delivery of public benefit, probity of its activities and the development of

the organisation's aim, objectives and goals. The Trustees who have served during the year are listed on page 3 of this report.

The Board of Trustees meets at least four times a year. All Trustees give their time freely and no Trustee remuneration was paid in the year other than reimbursement of out of pocket expenses incurred when acting on behalf of the Charity.

Committees report to the Board and comprise the Finance Committee, which meets quarterly.

Recruitment and appointment of Trustees

The Charity is committed to ensuring it has a balanced and diverse Board, with members recommended for their skills and expertise. Renewals and the appointment of any additional Trustees are informed by a Board skills review and consider annual discussions between the Chair and each Trustee.

The Board of Trustees is made up of not less than six and no more than fourteen people. New Trustees may be appointed by a simple majority of existing Trustees.

Trustees are appointed for an initial term of three years and may be reappointed for one further term of three years. Following six years of service, the Board may, where it considers it to be in the best interest of the Charity, approve an extension of up to a further three years. No Trustee shall serve for more than nine consecutive years.

Training and Induction

New Trustees undergo an induction process, the aim of which is to give them an understanding of their role and responsibilities as Trustees. These include their legal obligations under charity and company law, an understanding of the Code of Governance, and Trustees' responsibility for safeguarding and risk management.

Charity management

The Chief Executive Officer is responsible for the day to day management of the Charity's affairs and for implementing policies agreed by the Board of Trustees. The Chief Executive Officer is assisted by the Senior Management Team.

Internal controls over actual and committed expenditure are continually refined in order to improve efficiency. Processes are in place to ensure that performance is monitored, and that appropriate management information is prepared and reviewed regularly by both the Senior Management Team and the Board of Trustees.

The systems of internal control are designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance against material misstatement or loss. They include:

- a strategic plan and annual budget approved by the Trustees;
- regular consideration by the Trustees of financial results; variances from budgets; and non-financial targets;
- performance indicators and benchmarking reviews;
- delegation of day-to-day management authority and segregation of duties; and
- identification and management of key risks.

Risk management

Responsibility for risk management lies with Trustees. The Charity has established a risk register that aims to set out the key risks for the organisation including:

- An assessment of inherent risk
- Existing measures in place to manage each risk
- An assessment of residual risk, once mitigating measures are taken into consideration; and
- Future actions that may be taken to reduce the residual risk further.

The risk register is reviewed quarterly by the finance committee and senior management team, and in full by the Board at least annually, with key risks reviewed in detail at each Board meeting. The major risks for the BDA have been identified as:

- Decline in income from key sources.
- Inadequate reserves and cash flow.
- Information technology and cyber security.
- Maintaining safeguarding standards.

Working closely with the Trustees, the CEO has focused attention in these areas to ensure that appropriate risk management procedures are in place, and activities are underway to further mitigate these risks with clear deadlines for identified actions.

Plans for the future

The Trustees are committed to continually improving or developing activities at the BDA to maximise impact for the public benefit. Looking ahead, the BDA are setting a number of strategic objectives to deepen our impact and extend our reach:

- In the first year of our new strategy, we will launch a new website and improved digital information and advice services to better support dyslexic adults, and parents and carers of dyslexic children and young people.
- We will begin tackling inequalities in identification and support by piloting a low-cost and free dyslexia screening offer in partnership with external providers, helping more people access earlier support.
- Employment will be a major focus this year. We will launch a new national employment campaign, shaped by fresh research and the lived experiences of dyslexic people, alongside new policy asks aimed at improving workplace inclusion and support.
- We will pilot new support packages for employers and begin building stronger partnerships with large employers and employer organisations to help create more dyslexia-friendly workplaces.
- We will continue to strengthen our training, resources and quality assurance offer for schools and professionals, including reviewing Levels 2–7 provision, updating specialist courses and maintaining high professional standards across the sector.
- We will continue our influencing work around SEND reform and use our media, campaigns and public platforms to improve understanding of dyslexia and the barriers dyslexic people face.

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees (who are also directors of the British Dyslexia Association for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice). Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and the Group and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable Group for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, 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 accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable Group will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charitable company and the Group's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable Group and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and the Group and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Disclosure of information to auditor

Each of the persons who are Trustees at the time when this Trustees' Report is approved has confirmed that:

- so far as that Trustee is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable Group's auditor is unaware, and
- that Trustee has taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a Trustee in order to be aware of any information needed by the charitable Group's auditor in connection with preparing its report and to establish that the charitable Group's auditor is aware of that information.

Auditors

The auditor, James Cowper Kreston Audit, has indicated its willingness to continue in office. The Designated Trustees will propose a motion re-appointing the auditor at a general meeting of the Trustees.

Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



Michelle Catterson

Chair of the Board of Trustees

Date: 16 September 2026

Independent auditor's report

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF BRITISH DYSLEXIA ASSOCIATION

Opinion.

We have audited the financial statements of British Dyslexia Association (the 'parent charitable company') and its subsidiaries (the 'group') for the year ended 31 March 2026 which comprise the Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities, the Consolidated Balance Sheet, the Charity Balance Sheet, the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows and the related notes, 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 Group's and of the parent charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2026 and of the Group's 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 and the Charities Act 2011.

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 Group in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the United Kingdom, including the Financial Reporting Council's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern.

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the 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 Group's or the

parent charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

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

Other information.

The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report other than the financial statements and our Auditor's Report thereon. The Trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the Annual Report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinion on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006.

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the Trustees' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.
- the Trustees' Report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception.

In the light of our knowledge and understanding of the charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Trustees' Report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the parent charitable company has not kept adequate and sufficient accounting records, or returns
- adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the parent charitable company financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of Trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the Trustees were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemptions in preparing the Trustees' Report and from the requirement to prepare a Strategic Report.

Responsibilities of trustees.

As explained more fully in the Trustees' Responsibilities Statement, the Trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) 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 Group's and the parent charitable company'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 liquidate the Group or the parent charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an Auditor's report that includes our opinion.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance.

The risk is also greater regarding irregularities occurring due to fraud rather than error, as fraud involves intentional concealment, forgery, collusion, omission or misrepresentation.

The specific procedures for this engagement that we designed and performed to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud, were as follows:

- Enquiry of Management and those charged with governance around actual and potential litigation and claims;
- Enquiry of Management and those charged with governance to identify any material instances of noncompliance with laws and regulations;
- Reviewing minutes of meetings of those charged with governance;
- Reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- Performing audit work to address the risk of irregularities due to management override of controls, including testing of journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness, evaluating the business rationale of significant transactions outside the normal course of business and reviewing accounting estimates for evidence of bias.

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

Use of our report.

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006, and to the charitable company's trustees, as a body, Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an Auditor's Report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable company and its members, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



Alexander Peal BSc FCA DChA (Senior Statutory Auditor)

for and on behalf of

James Cowper Kreston Audit

Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditor

Apex Plaza

Forbury Road

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Date: 17 September 2026

BRITISH DYSLEXIA ASSOCIATION
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**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING INCOME AND
EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026**

	Note	Restricted funds 2026 £	Unrestricted funds 2026 £	Total funds 2026 £	Total funds 2025 £
Income from:					
Donations and legacies	3	72,523	123,725	196,248	146,095
Charitable activities:					
Assessments		-	750,269	750,269	560,915
Publications		-	8,418	8,418	12,681
Training and conferences		-	1,015,070	1,015,070	1,145,413
Membership income		-	-	-	18,021
Professional standards		-	212,965	212,965	191,198
Other trading activities:					
Fundraising		-	34,608	34,608	78,973
Trading activities		-	1,831	1,831	4,617
Investments	4	-	22,456	22,456	24,426
Total income		72,523	2,169,342	2,241,865	2,182,339
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds:					
Voluntary income and fundraising costs		224	149,039	149,263	114,092
Trading subsidiary costs		-	572	572	2,467
Charitable activities:					
Training and conferences		5,564	1,136,754	1,142,318	1,615,035
Assessments		46,900	714,556	761,456	487,326
Professional standards		-	143,378	143,378	159,426
Community support, projects and governance costs		85,646	150,655	236,301	130,331
Total expenditure		138,334	2,294,954	2,433,288	2,508,677
Net (expenditure)/income		(65,811)	(125,612)	(191,423)	(326,338)
Net movement in funds.		(65,811)	(125,612)	(191,423)	(326,338)

BRITISH DYSLEXIA ASSOCIATION
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**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING INCOME AND
EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT) (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026**

Note	Restricted funds 2026 £	Unrestricted funds 2026 £	Total funds 2026 £	Total funds 2025 £
Reconciliation of funds:				
Total funds brought forward	176,312	185,852	362,164	688,502
Net movement in funds	(65,811)	(125,612)	(191,423)	(326,338)
Total funds carried forward:	110,501	60,240	170,741	362,164

The notes on pages 38 -56 form part of these financial statements

BRITISH DYSLEXIA ASSOCIATION
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REGISTERED NUMBER: 01830587

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 MARCH 2026

	Note	2026 £	As restated 2025 £
Fixed assets			
Intangible assets	10	19,812	-
Tangible assets	11	10,084	7,160
		<u>29,896</u>	<u>7,160</u>
Current assets			
Debtors	13	116,256	96,835
Investments	14	325,630	315,000
Cash at bank and in hand		490,532	667,698
		<u>932,418</u>	<u>1,079,533</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	15	(791,573)	(724,529)
Net current assets		<u>140,845</u>	<u>355,004</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>170,741</u>	<u>362,164</u>
Total net assets		<u>170,741</u>	<u>362,164</u>
Charity funds			
Restricted funds	18	110,501	176,312
Unrestricted funds	18	60,240	185,852
Total funds		<u>170,741</u>	<u>362,164</u>

BRITISH DYSLEXIA ASSOCIATION
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REGISTERED NUMBER: 01830587

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET (CONTINUED)
AS AT 31 MARCH 2026

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and preparation of financial statements.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to entities subject to the small companies regime.

The directors have elected for the financial statements to be audited in accordance with the Companies Act 2006.

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

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Michelle Catterson

Chair of the Board of Trustees

Date: 16 September 2026

Susan Howarth

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Susan Howarth

Trustee

17 September 2026

The notes on pages 28 to 46 form part of these financial statements.

BRITISH DYSLEXIA ASSOCIATION
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REGISTERED NUMBER: 01830587

CHARITY BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 MARCH 2026

	Note	2026 £	As restated 2025 £
Fixed assets			
Intangible assets	10	19,812	-
Tangible assets	11	10,084	7,160
Investments	12	2	2
		<u>29,898</u>	<u>7,162</u>
Current assets			
Debtors	13	116,819	100,034
Investments	14	325,630	315,000
Cash at bank and in hand		490,013	661,321
		<u>932,462</u>	<u>1,076,355</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	15	(791,573)	(721,351)
Net current assets		<u>140,889</u>	<u>355,004</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>170,787</u>	<u>362,166</u>
Total net assets		<u>170,787</u>	<u>362,166</u>
Charity funds			
Restricted funds	18	110,501	176,312
Unrestricted funds	18	60,286	185,854
Total funds		<u>170,787</u>	<u>362,166</u>

The Charity's net movement in funds for the year was £(191,379) (2025 - £(326,340)).

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and preparation of financial statements.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to entities subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

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17 September 2026

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026

	Note	2026 £	As restated 2025 £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net cash used in operating activities	21	(160,570)	(360,016)
Cash flows from investing activities			
Dividends, interests and rents from investments		22,456	24,426
Purchase of intangible assets		(19,812)	-
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(8,610)	(754)
Purchase of current asset investments		(10,630)	(15,000)
Net cash (used in)/provided by investing activities		(16,596)	8,672
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year		(177,166)	(351,344)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		667,698	1,019,042
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	22	490,532	667,698

The notes on pages 28 to 46 form part of these financial statements

BRITISH DYSLEXIA ASSOCIATION
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026

1. Accounting policies.

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements.

The financial statements 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 2015), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

The British Dyslexia Association meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

The Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) and Consolidated Balance Sheet consolidate the financial statements of the Charity and its subsidiary undertaking. The results of the subsidiary are consolidated on a line by line basis.

The Charity has taken advantage of the exemption allowed under section 408 of the Companies Act 2006 and has not presented its own Statement of Financial Activities in these financial statements.

1.2 Fund accounting.

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Group and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the Group for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

1.3 Basis of consolidation.

The consolidated financial statements present the results of British Dyslexia Association and all of its subsidiary undertakings ('subsidiaries') as if they form a single entity. Intercompany transactions and balances between group companies are therefore eliminated in full.

BRITISH DYSLEXIA ASSOCIATION
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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026**

1. Accounting policies. (continued)

1.4 Incoming resources.

Gift Aid.

The wholly owned subsidiary donates all of its taxable profits under Gift Aid to the charity. The statutory income and expenditure account for the subsidiary is disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.

Donations and grants.

Donations and grants made available for the general purposes of the Charity are credited to income on a receivable basis.

Legacy income.

Legacy income is accounted for on a received basis or, if receipt becomes reasonably certain and is measurable with sufficient reliability, on a receivable basis.

Publications.

Income from publications is recognised on a receivable basis in the period in which a publication is issued and represents income from the sale of educational and promotional literature and advertising revenue related to such publications.

Training and conferences.

Income from training represents income received from the delivery of training courses and conferences. Costs are incurred in the organisation of these events. Income is accounted for on a receivable basis except where income and expenditure do not occur in the same period, in which case the income is deferred to match expenditure.

Membership income.

Membership income is accounted for on a receivable basis and represents membership fees and subscription income from members. It is levied at different rates according to the level of involvement of the member and the amount of information received.

Interest receivable.

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the Charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the Bank.

Donated services and facilities.

Donated services or facilities are included in incoming resources when the benefit to the charity is reasonably quantifiable and measurable. They are valued by the trustees at the amount the charity would have been willing to pay for the services or facilities on the open market.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026**

1. Accounting policies. (continued)

1.6 Termination payments.

Termination benefits are included as an expense in the Statement of Financial Activities and a liability is incurred when there is a formal plan to terminate the employment of an employee or group of employees before normal retirement date. Termination payments are measured at the best estimate of the expenditure that would be required to settle the obligation at the reporting date.

1.7 Intangible assets and amortisation

Intangible assets costing £NIL or more are capitalised and recognised when future economic benefits are probable, and the cost or value of the asset can be measured reliably.

Intangible assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition, under the cost model, intangible assets are measured at cost less any accumulated amortisation and any accumulated impairment losses.

Amortisation is provided on intangible assets at rates calculated to write off the cost of each asset on a straight-line basis over its expected useful life.

Amortisation is provided on the following basis:

Computer software	- 20 % Straight line
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1.8 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation.

Tangible fixed assets are carried at cost, net of depreciation and any provision for impairment. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives.

Depreciation is provided on the following bases:

Short Term Leasehold Property	- 20% Straight line
Fixtures and fittings	- 20% Straight line
Computer equipment	- 33.3% Straight line

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1. Accounting policies. (continued)

1.4 Incoming resources. (continued)

Deferred income.

Where it is clear that the donor intended the income or grant to be used over a fixed period of time on a specific project and as a result the Trustees have no discretion as to when the funds will be expended, these funds will be treated as deferred income and released to the Statement of Financial Activities to match the expenditure.

1.5 Resources expended.

Raising funds.

Fund raising and publicity expenditure represents the direct costs of generating funds and includes the salaries and other direct costs of the fundraising staff as well as an allocation of premises and overhead costs.

Charitable expenditure.

Charitable expenditure has been allocated to match the revenue earned wherever possible and includes an allocation of personnel costs and overhead costs where applicable. Charitable expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis.

Helpline.

Helpline costs relate to the operation of B.D.A. Helpline. They include wages and salaries, training, telephone, associated premises costs and other sundry items.

Support costs.

Support costs represent overheads, premises costs and wages and salaries of support staff without which the charity would not be able to achieve its objectives. The costs have been allocated on a proportionate basis.

Governance costs.

These costs relate to the expenditure in respect of personnel, premises and overheads which can be directly attributed to the management of the charity, as opposed to those incurred in furtherance of its objects.

Irrecoverable VAT.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged against the category of resources expended for which it was incurred.

Comparative amounts.

Allocations of salary, premises and depreciation costs are reviewed each year to ensure that these costs continue to be accurately assigned by function.

Expenditure on raising funds includes all expenditure incurred by the Group to raise funds for its charitable purposes and includes costs of all fundraising activities events and non-charitable trading.

Expenditure on charitable activities is incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the Group's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

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1.9 Investments.

Investments in subsidiaries are valued at cost less provision for impairment.

1.10 Stocks.

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value after making due allowance for obsolete and slow-moving stocks. Cost includes all direct costs and an appropriate proportion of fixed and variable overheads.

1.11 Debtors.

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

1.12 Cash at bank and in hand.

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short-term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

1.13 Creditors.

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance Sheet date as a result of a 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 the Charity 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.

1.14 Financial instruments.

The Group 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 with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

1.15 Contributions to pension funds.

The Charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme and the pension charge represents the amounts payable by the Charity to the fund in respect of the year.

1.16 Leases.

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

2. Judgments in applying accounting policies and key sources of estimation uncertainty.

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported for assets and liabilities as at the balance sheet date and the amounts reported for revenues and expenses during the year. However, the nature of estimation means that actual outcomes could differ from those estimates. The Charity considers there are no judgments or key sources of estimation uncertainty that have had the most significant effect on amounts recognised in the financial statements.

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3. Income from donations and legacies.

	Restricted funds 2026 £	Unrestricted funds 2026 £	Total funds 2026 £	Total funds 2025 £
Donations	72,523	123,725	196,248	146,095
Total 2025	58,098	87,997	146,095	

4. Investment income.

	Unrestricted funds 2026 £	Total funds 2026 £	Total funds 2025 £
Bank interest	22,456	22,456	24,426
Total 2025	24,426	24,426	

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5. Commercial trading operations.

The Charity has wholly owned trading subsidiary, B.D.A. (Initiatives) Limited which is registered in the UK. Its purpose is to organise fundraising events and sell advertising to raise revenue for the charity. The company passes its taxable profits to the charity under its Deed of Covenant.

During the year, the assessment income and costs moved from B.D.A. (Initiatives) Limited to British Dyslexia Association.

	2026 £	2025 £
Profit and loss account.		
Turnover	531	4,617
Cost of sales	-	(100)
	531	4,517
Gross profit	531	4,517
Administrative expenses	(572)	(2,367)
	(41)	2,150
Operating profit	(41)	2,150
Interest payable and similar charges	41	1,053
	-	3,203
Net profit	-	3,203
Gift aid donations to the British Dyslexia Association	-	(3,203)
Transfer to reserves	-	-
	-	-

6. Net income/ (expenditure).

This is stated after charging:

	2026 £	2025 £
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets - owned by the charitable group	5,686	9,441
Auditors remuneration - audit services and preparation of accounts	16,150	16,400
Auditors remuneration - non-audit services	1,200	1,100
	16,150	16,400

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7. Analysis of total expenditure.

	Direct Staff costs 2026 £	Support costs 2026 £	Other Direct costs 2026 £	Total funds 2026 £	Total funds 2025 £
Raising funds					
Voluntary income and fundraising	65,908	36,858	46,497	149,263	114,092
Trading subsidiary costs	-	-	572	572	2,467
	<u>65,908</u>	<u>36,858</u>	<u>47,069</u>	<u>149,835</u>	<u>116,559</u>
Charitable activities					
Training and conferences	747,040	225,600	169,678	1,142,318	1,615,035
Assessments	78,980	90,214	592,262	761,456	487,326
Professional standards	74,399	33,274	35,704	143,377	159,428
Community support	53,318	27,451	155,533	236,302	130,331
	<u>1,019,645</u>	<u>413,397</u>	<u>1,000,246</u>	<u>2,433,288</u>	<u>2,508,679</u>
Total 2025	<u><u>1,341,743</u></u>	<u><u>439,276</u></u>	<u><u>727,660</u></u>	<u><u>2,508,679</u></u>	

8. Support costs.

	Human Resources 2026 £	Finance, IT and Admin 2026 £	CEO and Governance 2026 £	Total funds 2026 £	Total funds 2025 £
Voluntary income and fundraising	4,396	21,941	10,521	36,858	26,356
Training and conferences	28,889	132,956	63,755	225,600	289,922
Assessments	1,884	59,702	28,628	90,214	70,284
Professional standards	3,768	19,943	9,563	33,274	35,142
Community support	3,768	16,007	7,676	27,451	17,572
	<u>42,705</u>	<u>250,549</u>	<u>120,143</u>	<u>413,397</u>	<u>439,276</u>
Total 2025	<u><u>58,036</u></u>	<u><u>259,583</u></u>	<u><u>121,657</u></u>	<u><u>439,276</u></u>	

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9. Trustees and employees.

	2026	2025
	£	£
Wages and salaries	1,255,933	1,509,710
Social security costs	146,604	143,990
Pension costs	62,501	75,648
	<u>1,465,038</u>	<u>1,729,348</u>

No Trustee or any party related to them received any remuneration during the period. Out of pocket expenses totalling £475 (2025: £692) in respect of travelling, subsistence and telephone charges, directly associated with the running of the charity were reimbursed to 3 Trustees (2025: 4 Trustees).

The average number of persons employed by the charity during the year was 42 (2025: 52).

	2026	2025
Chief executive	1	1
Finance and operations	4	4
Communications and impact	4	3
Fundraising	3	3
Community support	2	4
Professional practice	28	37
	<u>42</u>	<u>52</u>

During the year remuneration paid to key management totalled £372,791 (2025: £431,763).

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10. Intangible assets

Group

**Computer
software
£**

Cost

Additions

19,812

At 31 March 2026

19,812

Net book value

At 31 March 2026

19,812

At 31 March 2025

-

Charity

**Computer
software
£**

Cost

Additions

19,812

At 31 March 2026

19,812

Net book value

At 31 March 2026

19,812

At 31 March 2025

-

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11. Tangible fixed assets

Group and Charity

	Computer equipment £
Cost or valuation	
At 1 April 2025	67,059
Additions	8,610
At 31 March 2026	<u>75,669</u>
Depreciation	
At 1 April 2025	59,899
Charge for the year	5,686
At 31 March 2026	<u>65,585</u>
Net book value	
At 31 March 2026	<u><u>10,084</u></u>
At 31 March 2025	<u><u>7,160</u></u>

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12. Fixed asset investments.

	Investments in subsidiary companies £
Charity	
Cost or valuation	
At 1 April 2025	2
At 31 March 2026	2
Net book value	
At 31 March 2026	2
At 31 March 2025	2

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12. Fixed asset investments. (continued)

Principal subsidiaries.

The following was a subsidiary undertaking of the Charity:

Name	Class of shares	Holding	Included in consolidation
B.D.A (Initiatives) Limited	Ordinary	100%	Yes

The financial results of the subsidiary for the year were:

Name	Income £	Expenditure £	Net assets £
B.D.A (Initiatives) Limited	526	(526)	2

13. Debtors.

	Group 2026 £	Group 2025 £	Charity 2026 £	Charity 2025 £
Due within one year				
Trade debtors	70,699	38,999	70,699	38,999
Amounts owed by group undertakings	-	-	563	3,203
Other debtors	1,030	23,192	1,030	23,188
Prepayments and accrued income	44,527	34,644	44,527	34,644
	116,256	96,835	116,819	100,034

14. Current asset investments

	Group 2026 £	Group As restated 2025 £	Charity 2026 £	Charity As restated 2025 £
Term deposit	325,630	315,000	325,630	315,000

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15. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year.

	Group 2026 £	Group 2025 £	Charity 2026 £	Charity 2025 £
Trade creditors	60,360	33,483	60,360	33,483
Other taxation and social security	60,603	67,321	60,603	67,321
Other creditors	2,160	1,391	2,160	1,391
Accruals and deferred income	668,450	622,334	668,450	619,156
	791,573	724,529	791,573	721,351

16. Deferred income.

Certain grant and other income included with "Accruals and Deferred Income" in Note 15, is recognised when the delivery of a specific performance relating to the income has been achieved. Movement on deferred income balances during the year are set out below:

	As at 1 April 2025 £	Received £	Released £	Total funds £
Training courses	444,150	848,153	(841,914)	450,389
Assessments	91,751	606,642	(611,552)	86,841
Conferences	270	17,230	(17,500)	-
Tuition	-	130	-	130
Other	14,650	68,188	(27,571)	55,267
	550,821	1,540,343	(1,498,537)	592,627

17. Prior year adjustments

Comparative balances have been restated to reclassify £172,252 of cash deposits with maturities of less than three months from current asset investments to cash and cash equivalents, in line with FRS 102. This is a presentational reclassification only and has no impact on net income, total funds, or net assets.

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18. Statement of funds.

Statement of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 April 2025 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Balance at 31 March 2026 £
Unrestricted funds					
General Funds	185,852	2,169,342	(2,294,954)	-	60,240
Restricted funds					
Children Will Shine	4,400	-	-	(4,400)	-
Constable Education Trust	102,696	-	(24,361)	-	78,335
Other donations	18,987	3,000	(21,790)	4,400	4,597
Malpas	17,163	-	-	-	17,163
Theo Paphitis Dyslexia Bursary	26,689	34,523	(47,124)	(10,000)	4,088
Local Hubs Project	6,377	35,000	(35,059)	-	6,318
Rymans YP Research fund	-	-	(10,000)	10,000	-
	176,312	72,523	(138,334)	-	110,501
Total of funds	362,164	2,241,865	(2,433,288)	-	170,741

Children Will Shine – to provide after school dyslexia workshops for children, led by specialist teachers.

Constable Education Trust – to develop online resources for parents and carers to support dyslexic learners with literacy at home.

Other – various donations to support children with dyslexia in local areas, and to facilitate the diagnosis of dyslexia.

Malpas – to develop online resources for parents and carers to support dyslexic learners with literacy at home.

Theo Paphitis Dyslexia Bursary – to fund dyslexia diagnostic assessments and related support services or people between the ages of 12 and 21 years.

Local Hubs Project – a local, grassroots project aiming to build stronger dyslexic communities and access to support for young people with dyslexia.

Rymans YP Research fund – to fund dyslexia research.

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18. Statement of funds (continued)

Statement of funds - prior year.

	Balance at 1 April 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Balance at 31 March 2025 £
Unrestricted funds					
General Funds	543,251	2,124,241	(2,481,640)	-	185,852
Restricted funds					
Children Will Shine	16,137	-	-	(11,737)	4,400
Constable Education Trust	102,696	-	-	-	102,696
Other donations	9,257	-	-	9,730	18,987
Malpas	17,163	-	-	-	17,163
Theo Paphitis Dyslexia Bursary	-	30,257	(3,568)	-	26,689
Local Hubs Project	-	27,841	(23,471)	2,007	6,377
	145,253	58,098	(27,039)	-	176,312
Total of funds	688,504	2,182,339	(2,508,679)	-	362,164

19. Summary of funds.

Summary of funds - current year.

	Balance at 1 April 2025 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Balance at 31 March 2026 £
General funds	185,852	2,169,342	(2,294,954)	-	60,240
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	362,164	2,241,865	(2,433,288)	-	170,741

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19. Summary of funds (continued)

Summary of funds - prior year.

	Balance at 1 April 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Balance at 31 March 2025 £
General funds	543,251	2,124,241	(2,481,640)	-	185,852
Restricted funds	145,253	58,098	(27,039)	-	176,312
	<u>688,504</u>	<u>2,182,339</u>	<u>(2,508,679)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>362,164</u>

20. Analysis of net assets between funds.

Analysis of net assets between funds - current period.

	Restricted funds 2026 £	Unrestricted funds 2026 £	Total funds 2026 £
Tangible fixed assets	-	10,084	10,084
Intangible fixed assets	-	19,812	19,812
Current assets	110,501	821,917	932,418
Creditors due within one year	-	(791,573)	(791,573)
Total	<u>110,501</u>	<u>60,240</u>	<u>170,741</u>

Analysis of net assets between funds - prior period.

	Restricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £
Tangible fixed assets	-	7,160	7,160
Current assets	176,312	903,221	1,079,533
Creditors due within one year	-	(724,529)	(724,529)
Total	<u>176,312</u>	<u>185,852</u>	<u>362,164</u>

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21. Reconciliation of net movement in funds to net cash flow from operating activities.

	Group 2026 £	Group 2025 £
Net expenditure for the year (as per Statement of Financial Activities)	(191,423)	(326,338)
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	5,686	9,441
Interest from investments	(22,456)	(24,426)
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	(19,421)	68,931
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	67,045	(87,622)
Net cash used in operating activities	(160,569)	(360,014)

22. Analysis of cash and cash equivalents.

	Group 2026 £	Group As restated 2025 £
Cash in hand	490,532	667,698
Total cash and cash equivalents	490,532	667,698

23. Analysis of changes in net debt.

	At 1 April 2025 £	Cash flows £	At 31 March 2026 £
Cash at bank and in hand	667,698	(177,166)	490,532
	667,698	(177,166)	490,532

24. Pension commitments.

The charity contributes to the personal pension plans of certain of its employees, which are held in defined contribution schemes. Contributions are charged in the financial statements on an accruals basis and there were £Nil (2025: £Nil) of outstanding contributions at the balance sheet date. Pension costs charged in the year were £62,501 (2025: £75,648).

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25. Operating lease commitments.

At 31 March 2026 the Group and the Charity had commitments to make future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

	Group 2026 £	Group 2025 £	Charity 2026 £	Charity 2025 £
Not later than 1 year	7,267	11,612	7,267	11,612
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	-	555	-	555
	<u>7,267</u>	<u>12,167</u>	<u>7,267</u>	<u>12,167</u>

26. Related party transactions.

During the year, there were no related party transactions other than the following:

Reimbursement of expenses incurred by certain Trustees in the furtherance of their activities as Trustees (see note 9).



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