

THE BRITISH GERIATRICS SOCIETY
(A Company Limited by Guarantee)
REPORT OF THE UK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2008

Company No: 1189776
(England and Wales)

Charity Number 268762

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UK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE AND OFFICERS**UK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

President	Prof P Crome
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Deputy Honorary Secretary	Dr S Conroy
Meetings Secretary	Dr M Vassallo
Deputy Meetings Secretary	Dr A Wagg
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THE BRITISH GERIATRICS SOCIETY**(A Company Limited by Guarantee)****REPORT OF THE UK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE AND DIRECTORS****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2008**

The UK Management Committee and Directors present their annual report under the Companies Act 1985 and the Charities Act 1993, together with the audited financial statements for that year and confirm that the latter comply with the requirements of the Acts and the Charities SORP 2005.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

The British Geriatrics Society ("Society") is a registered charity (No 268762) and is constituted as a company (No 1189776) limited by guarantee. The directors, professional advisers and registered office are set out on page 2.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**Governing Document**

The Society is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association adopted on 7 November 1974 and last amended on 11 April 2003.

Governing Body

The governing body of the Society is the United Kingdom Management Committee which meets bi-monthly. Its members constitute the Directors and Trustees of the Society and include the Officers, the chairmen of designated Standing Committees, the chairman of the Trainees' group, the chairmen of each of the National Councils for Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales and 3 members of the National Council for England. The National Councils were set up to provide a forum for debating national issues and to interface with the devolved legislative structure and NHS organisation.

The designated Standing Committees are Policy, Education & Training, Clinical Practice Evaluation, Academic & Research and Finance. They meet quarterly and report directly to the UK Management Committee through their respective chairs.

The current UK Management Committee and Officers are shown on page 2 of these financial statements. In addition, the following served as directors during the year ended 31 March 2008:-

Directors who resigned on 23 November 2007:-

Dr D Beaumont
Dr J Morris
Dr P Myint
Dr D Walshe

Prof J Barrett (resigned 31 May 2007)	Dr D Edwards (resigned 8 September 2007)
Dr R Morse (resigned 22 May 2008)	Dr M Rea (resigned 13 February 2008)
Dr D Stewart (resigned 28 May 2008)	

Trustee recruitment and appointment

The members of the UK Management Committee are nominated and elected by the membership. Officers require the support of 5 members and serve a 2 year term with the exception of the Treasurer and the Deputy Treasurer who serve for 3 years in order to ensure management continuity. Other members of the UK Management Committee serve a 2 year term.

New trustees receive a comprehensive induction pack to acquaint them with the Society's policy and practice, its aims and activities, management and governance, and also what is expected of them under charity law, with particular reference to Charity Commission guidance publications.

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The day to day running of the Society is delegated to the Chief Executive and staff. They all attend the UK Management Committee meetings and the Chief Executive also attends all the Standing Committee Meetings.

A register of directors' interests is maintained and updated annually. Any director with a potential conflict of interest with a particular topic within a meeting declares it and takes no further part in the discussion or vote on that topic.

Group Structure

The Society has a wholly owned non-charitable trading subsidiary, BGS (Trading) Limited, a company incorporated in England and Wales (No 2013195). BGS (Trading) Limited accounts for the income and expenditure from scientific conferences and exhibitions. The subsidiary covenants its taxable profit at each year end to the Society. Further details of BGS (Trading) Limited's financial results for the year ended 31 March 2008 can be found in note 14.

Risk management

The task of managing the risks faced by the Society is delegated to the Finance Committee. A risk register has been established in which both internal and external risks are identified and assessed. Internal control risks are mitigated by systems of authorisation, planning, budgeting, qualified staff and organisational structure. External risks are addressed in the Society's Strategic Review. The risk register is reviewed and updated as necessary by the Finance Committee and then ratified by the UK Management Committee. The directors are satisfied that the major risks identified have been adequately mitigated where necessary and that the Society has systems and procedures in place that are appropriate to the Society's size and nature of operations.

OBJECTS, OBJECTIVES AND PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES OF THE SOCIETY**Charitable Objects**

The Society's objects, as set out in the Memorandum of Association, are 'the relief of suffering and distress amongst the aged and infirm by the improvement of standards of care for such persons'.

Charitable objectives and activities

To this end, the Society aims to:-

- Put the case for a well-funded and well-organised hospital and community care service for older people;
- Promote the rehabilitation of patients to their maximum ability and maximum independence;
- Promote education, training and standards in geriatric medicine and in the care of older people to medical, paramedical and lay staff respectively;
- Promote research into age-related distress and into the management of illness in old age;
- Publicise and disseminate educational literature on caring for older people: and
- Be an authoritative voice on health care and ageing with both the public and politicians

The Society fulfils its charitable aims by:-

- the holding of scientific meetings,
- the publication of approved papers and
- the active promotion of research, education and training in all aspects of geriatric medicine.

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Twice each year the Society holds a scientific meeting, which provides members with the opportunity to present their research in both poster and platform format. Included in these meetings are a series of guest lectures and sessions presented by the Society's Special Interest Groups/Sections. The primary objective of these meetings is to provide a forum for Continuing Professional Development, which follows a five year cycle to ensure that all pertinent medical topics within the speciality of Geriatric Medicine are regularly examined. All submitted abstracts are subject to rigorous peer review prior to acceptance as either platform presentations or posters.

Publications

Age and Ageing, the official journal of the Society, has a world-wide reputation for publishing refereed original articles and commissioned reviews on geriatric medicine and gerontology.

The Society maintains, reviews and continues to develop a web-based compendium consisting of best practice statements and guidelines. The compendium is widely used as a source of authoritative guidance for professionals and lay people alike. The Society also, on request, provides comment, responses and information to a variety of agencies including Government, the Department of Health in each of the four countries of the United Kingdom, and other professional bodies.

Promotion of research, education and training

An important part of this is the Society's funding of grants and fellowships in the field of elderly medicine. The grants available include Specialist Registrar start-up grants, medical student elective and vacation grants, travel grants, nurses study grants and therapists study grants. In addition, the Society currently funds, jointly with Research into Ageing, the Marjory Warren Fellowship. It also funds the Kuck and the Isaacs Research Fellowships. The Amulree Prize is awarded annually for the best essay by a medical student on a geriatric theme.

The Society's standing committees – Academic and Research, Editorial, Clinical Practice Evaluation, Policy and Education and Training, all perform an important role in this activity as do the SIGs and Sections. They actively participate in academic fora with external bodies and other specialist societies.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE**Scientific Meetings**

The Society's Spring Meeting was held in Brighton and was well attended by 593 delegates. The content of the meeting covered a wide range of clinical and scientific interests. There were 2 guest lecturers: Prof H Markus and Prof J Coren. The parallel sessions included clinical updates on dementia, cardiac disease, diabetes and endocrine, the ageing eye, hospital acquired infections, capacity and consent and vascular surgery. The SIG and Sections sessions featured Cardiovascular, Diabetes and Nurse Consultants. There were 14 platform presentations, 43 scientific posters and 30 clinical effectiveness posters.

483 delegates attended the Autumn Meeting which was held in Harrogate for the fourth year running. Prof J Potter gave the Marjory Warren lecture on 'Known knowns and known unknowns – a rough guide to blood pressure and stroke' and the Trevor Howell lecture for visiting speakers was given by Prof M Clarfield on 'The perils of prevention in the frail elderly person: a double-edged sword'. The conference also included sessions on clinical practice in the modern NHS and on revalidation. The parallel sessions included topics as varied as haematology, falls, home care, hydrocephalus, incontinence, nutrition and stroke. The SIGs and Sections provided parallel sessions on Parkinsons Disease and Primary and Continuing Care and there was also a discussion on developing a British

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Geriatrics Society strategy for the future. A total of 30 scientific posters were on display, together with 25 on clinical practice evaluation. There were 12 platform presentations.

The Falls and Bone Health Section held its 8th International Conference on Falls and Postural Stability in September 2007 in Birmingham and attracted delegates from a wide range of disciplines and backgrounds.

The Cardiology Section held its Annual Meeting in January 2008 in London.

Publications

In addition to the 2,330 Society members who currently receive Age & Ageing, there were 906 full-rate subscribers and an increasing number of people gaining access to the journal via consortia agreements and corporate site licences worldwide. A further 860 not-for-profit institutions in 40 developing countries had free access to the journal as well as 30 middle-income countries that have greatly discounted rates.

A programme of rolling review of the compendium documents was begun in April 2005. Those reviewed during the financial year included Standards of Specialist Care, Collaboration between Geriatricians and Psychiatrists of Old Age, The Older Person in the A&E Department, The Medical Undergraduate Curriculum in Geriatric Medicine and Parkinson's Disease. In addition, new compendium papers have been produced on Falls, Orthogeriatric Models of Care, Stroke, Continence and Training in Geriatric Medicine.

Pain Guidelines were published in September 2007. Work has continued on the Advance Directives Guidelines which are expected to be published in October 2008. The End of Life Toolkit is expected to be published in October 2008.

The Society has continued to produce its bi-monthly newsletter which is sent to all members and is an important way of keeping the membership informed. The Society's 2008 Handbook was issued in May 2008 and sent to all members. Information on the Society's areas of involvement, structure and publications are published on the Society's website (www.bgs.org.uk) which is a valuable source of information for members and non-members alike.

Promotion of research, education and training

The Society has continued to promote research by providing relevant bursaries and fellowships. The Marjory Warren Fellowship, co-funded with Research into Ageing for 3 years, was awarded in February 2007. The Kuck Fellowship was awarded in January 2008 for 3 years and the Isaacs Fellowship was awarded in January 2008 for 4 years.

The Society has continued to support its grants programme and transferred £50,505 into its restricted grants fund. During the year, 7 SpR research grants, 5 Medical Students Elective and Vacation Projects grants and 9 Young Doctors Education grants (for junior doctors' attendance at the Society's scientific meetings in the UK or at scientific meetings abroad where they are presenting a paper) were awarded totalling over £38,000. In addition, 27 (2007 24) Nurses Study grants and 12 (2007 16) Therapists Study grants were awarded to enable these health professionals to attend conferences relating to ageing and geriatric medicine.

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The Society received a further £200,000 funding from the Dunhill Medical Trust in March 2008 to provide research fellowships for nurses and allied health professionals and the Society topped up the fund with a £50,000 transfer from unrestricted funds. Three fellowships were awarded in June 2007.

The Society continues to place great emphasis on collaboration with the Royal Colleges, other specialist societies engaged in clinical research and charities which have a focus on the well-being of the older person. Last year's Dignity Campaign: 'Behind Closed Doors' was launched at the House of Lords on 18 April 2007 and hosted by Baroness Greengross. The campaign involved representatives from Age Concern England; Cardiff University; Carers UK; Continence Foundation; Help the Aged; Incontact; Research into Ageing and the Royal College of Nursing. In addition to mailing the toolkit to all PCT CEO's, 1,000 others have been mailed across the UK.

During the year, England Council reissued its Rehabilitation Beds Survey.

The Society has also provided sole responses to the National Institute for Clinical Excellence (NICE) on Metastatic malignant disease of unknown primary origin: GDG recruitment; Management of Transient Loss of Consciousness in Adults; and consultation on the draft scope for the delirium guideline. It has provided responses to NICE with the Royal College of Physicians on Social Value Judgements; Stroke; and consultation on the draft scope of depression update. The Society has also responded and submitted evidence where appropriate to:

- The Department of Health on:
 - *Options for the future of Payment by Results*
 - *Guidance on nominating a consultee for research involving adults who lack capacity to consent*
 - *Proposal for Changes to MMC England Processes for 2008*
 - *A New Ambition for Stroke – National Strategy*
 - *Essence of Care – consultation on patient involvement*
 - *Mental Capacity Act 2005: Deprivation of liberty safeguards*
 - *Draft revised Mental Health Act 1983 Code of Practice*
 - *Pandemic Influenza*
 - *Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups (Northern Ireland)*
 - *Health Care and Associated Professions Order 2008*
 - *Health Care and Associated Professions No2 Order 2008*
- The National Audit Office : *Improving Services and Support for Older People with Dementia*
- General Medical Council: *Consent: patients and doctors making decisions together*
- Sir John Tooke: *Independent Inquiry into Modernising Medical Careers*
- Workforce Review Team: *Workforce Risk Assessment 2008/9*
- BMA, Resuscitation Council (UK) & RCN: *Decisions relating to cardio-respiratory resuscitation*
- All Party Parliamentary Group on Dementia: *Prescription of antipsychotic drugs to people with dementia living in care homes*
- The Healthcare Commission: *Developing the annual health check in 2008/9: Have your say*

The Society continues to provide the secretariat functions for the European Union Geriatric Medicine Society.

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The Financial Statements comprise the consolidated accounts of the Society and its subsidiary, BGS (Trading) Limited. The Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA), set out on page 13, shows that gross income decreased by 5% to £1.6m and expenditure on charitable activities decreased by 2% to £950k. Total resources expended of £1.1m resulted in a net inflow for the year of £505k (2007 £556k). After taking into account unrealised investment losses, total fund balances increased by £455k (2007 £568k) to £3.2m (2007 £2.7m).

The Society continues to receive the bulk of its total incoming resources from its charitable activities. Income from the Society's scientific meetings and publications accounts for 61% of total income for the financial year (2007 63%). Subscription income has increased by 1% and accounts for 16% of incoming resources (2007 16%). Voluntary income has decreased due to £53k less legacy income. Investment income is becoming an increasingly important income stream for the Society. It increased by 47% (2007 36%) and accounts for 7% of total incoming resources.

Charitable expenditure accounts for 85% of total expenditure (2007 84%). Expenditure on publications increased by 11% (2007 12%) reflecting increased levels of activity in this area and by 21% for the promotion of research, education and training (2007 40%). Expenditure on scientific meetings decreased by 10% in line with the decrease in conference income.

A transfer of £101k (2007 £175k) was made from unrestricted funds into the 'donations and grants fund', bringing its balance at 31 March 2008 to £711,443 (2007 £501,077) which represents 23% of total funds. Unrealised investment losses of £49,676 were incurred due to adverse market conditions during the financial year. The resultant total net movement in funds for the year was £455,432 (2007 £567,803).

Investment Policy

The Memorandum of Association gives the UK Management Committee the power to invest any surplus funds not immediately required by the Society in such investments, securities or property as it thinks fit. The UK Management Committee's policy has been to balance the requirement for capital growth of the endowment investments, with maximising income for the Society.

When the Society purchased its own premises in 2000, the Society's financial priority was the repayment of the mortgage. This was finally repaid in March 2004, considerably earlier than had been originally budgeted. A review of investment opportunities was carried out in 2005/6 with the intention of investing spare funds for the medium term in order to achieve a higher rate of return and to replace the investments that were realised in order to purchase the Society's premises. The Society continues to review its investments regularly but owing to market uncertainties decided not to invest its spare funds but to keep them on deposit for the time being.

The endowed funds which are invested in COIF Fixed Interest Fund Income Units reported an unrealised gain of £1,096 at 31 March 2008 compared with a loss of £9,079 at 31 March 2007.

The M&G Charifund units which the Society holds produced an unrealised loss of £50,772 compared with a gain of £20,844 at the previous year end. This is disappointing but the investments were not purchased for the short term and will recover over time. Charifund has a good record of delivering long term returns above the market average.

The average rate of return on investments has varied from 4.7% to 5.7% (2007 4.3% to 5.6%).

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The trustees have continued to review the reserves of the Society. The review involves an assessment of the income and expenditure streams, the Society's plans for the future and the uncertainties it faces and the level of reserves.

When the mortgage on the freehold property was fully repaid, the trustees decided to designate a fund equal to the value of fixed assets; thereby reflecting the fact that a large part of unrestricted funds is not freely available. The value of this fund at 31 March 2008 was £722,905 some 37% of unrestricted funds (2007 42%).

The reserves policy of the Society is two fold – to build up sufficient funds to maintain and extend its research programme and to continue to build up unrestricted reserves (excluding designated funds), by means of annual operating surpluses and judicious management of investment assets, to a level representing one year's expenditure in order to ensure that it has an adequate buffer to protect against future uncertainties.

Having built up designated research funds to £500,000 at 31 March 2007, the Society awarded the Kuck and the Isaacs Fellowships in January 2008. The balance on these funds at 31 March 2008 totalled £479,269.

During the year ended 31 March 2008, the unrestricted funds (excluding designated funds) increased to £744,476 which represented only 35 weeks (2007 21 weeks) of the Society's activity at current levels. It is the trustees' intention in the year ended 31 March 2009 to continue to build up unrestricted reserves to the desired level and to continue to review the reserves policy on a regular basis.

Volunteers

The Society is reliant on a considerable number of its members to achieve its objectives and is grateful and indebted to the volunteers who serve in many capacities (for example on committees and working parties and as regional advisors) and who provide many hours of work for the charitable objectives of the Society without remuneration.

FUTURE PLANS

The Society's Strategic Plan, currently being reviewed and which was last updated in 2006, sets out the following objectives:-

- to be recognised as the representative body for the specialist professional practice of geriatric medicine, establishing and maintaining an authoritative voice on health care and ageing with both public and politicians;
- to remain an independent charity, promoting knowledge through research, education and training and providing the necessary funding to achieve this;
- to maintain a compendium of best practice statements and guidelines, together with information on training and education;
- to promote scientific meetings and publish peer reviewed papers;
- to engage in academic debate with the Royal Colleges and similar bodies at the same time promoting a rigorous and systematic approach to CPD;
- to encourage multidisciplinary involvement in SIG's and Sections, at the same time promoting appropriate multidisciplinary membership, by fostering closer relationships with other specialist groups; and
- to adopt a policy of forward looking, flexible management structures, monitored by regular reviews, to ensure maximum effectiveness

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The UK Management Committee is required by law to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Society and of its results for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the UK Management Committee has, and will continue, to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the Society will continue in business.

The UK Management Committee is responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Society and to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985 and Charities Act 1993. The trustees are satisfied that they have and they will continue to meet their responsibilities for safeguarding the assets of the Society and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities and can provide assurance that:

- the Society is operating efficiently and effectively;
- its assets are safeguarded against unauthorised use or disposition;
- proper records are maintained and financial information used within the Society or for publication is reliable;
- the Society complies with its Memorandum and Articles of Association;
- the Society has actively pursued all of its objectives and policies throughout the year.

STATEMENT OF DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITORS

In accordance with company law, as the Society's directors, we certify that:

- so far as we are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Society's auditors are unaware; and
- as the directors of the company we have taken all the steps that we ought to have taken in order to make ourselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Society's auditors are aware of that information.

AUDITORS

The auditors Sargent & Co will be proposed for re-appointment in accordance with Section 385 of the Companies Act 1985.

APPROVAL

This report was approved by the Board of Directors and UK Management Committee on 10 July 2008 and signed on its behalf.

Prof P Crome MD PhD FRCP FFPM
Director and President of UK Management Committee

THE BRITISH GERIATRICS SOCIETY**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS****OF THE BRITISH GERIATRICS SOCIETY**

We have audited the financial statements of the British Geriatrics Society for the year ended 31 March 2008 which comprise the statement of financial activities, statement of other recognised gains, consolidated balance sheet, charity balance sheet and the related notes. These financial statements have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein.

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with section 495 and 496 of the Companies Act 2006. 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 the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND AUDITORS

As described in the statement of responsibilities of the UK Management Committee the Committee (who are also Trustees and Directors of the British Geriatrics Society for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with the relevant legal and regulatory requirements and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland).

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you if, in our opinion, the Report of the UK Management Committee and Directors is not consistent with the financial statements, if the charitable company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding trustees' remuneration and transactions with the company is not disclosed.

We read the Report of the UK Management Committee and Directors and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it.

BASIS OF AUDIT OPINION

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with significant evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material mis-statement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

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OPINION

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view, in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice of the state of the group and Charity's affairs as at 31 March 2008 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, in the year then ended; and
- and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

In our opinion the information given in the UK Management Committee's Report is consistent with the financial statements.

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10 July 2008

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2008****SUMMARY INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>Restricted Funds</u> £	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u> £	<u>Total 2008</u> £	<u>Total 2007</u> £
Incoming Resources					
Incoming resources from generated funds:					
Voluntary income	2	215,668	505	216,173	273,051
Activities for generating funds	3	275	296,174	296,449	278,880
Investment Income	4	<u>20,987</u>	<u>93,937</u>	<u>114,924</u>	<u>78,197</u>
Total incoming resources from generated funds		<u>236,930</u>	<u>390,616</u>	<u>627,546</u>	<u>630,128</u>
Incoming resources from charitable activities:					
Scientific Meetings		39,212	688,305	727,517	811,185
Publications		-	<u>268,880</u>	<u>268,880</u>	<u>262,107</u>
Total incoming resources from charitable activities		<u>39,212</u>	<u>957,185</u>	<u>996,397</u>	<u>1,073,292</u>
Total incoming resources		276,142	1,347,801	1,623,943	1,703,420
Less costs of generating funds	5	465	149,331	149,796	163,612
Less governance costs	5	-	<u>18,564</u>	<u>18,564</u>	<u>17,697</u>
Net incoming resources available for charitable application		<u>275,677</u>	<u>1,179,906</u>	<u>1,455,583</u>	<u>1,522,111</u>
Resources Expended on Charitable Activities					
Scientific Meetings	5	37,252	555,683	592,935	656,425
Publications	5	-	192,841	192,841	173,225
Promotion of education & research	5	<u>106,167</u>	<u>58,532</u>	<u>164,699</u>	<u>136,423</u>
Total resources expended on charitable activities		<u>143,419</u>	<u>807,056</u>	<u>950,475</u>	<u>966,073</u>
Net incoming resources before transfers	6	132,258	372,850	505,108	556,038
Transfers between funds		<u>100,505</u>	<u>(100,505)</u>	-	-
Net income for the year before investment gains		<u>232,763</u>	<u>272,345</u>	<u>505,108</u>	<u>556,038</u>

None of the Society's activities was acquired or discontinued during the year.

The notes on pages 17 to 27 form part of these financial statements.

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	<u>Permanent</u> <u>Endowment</u> £	<u>Restricted</u> <u>Income</u> £	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Income</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2008</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2007</u> £
Net movements in funds for the year	-	232,763	272,345	505,108	556,038
Unrealised Investment Gain/(Loss) for year	<u>1,096</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(50,772)</u>	<u>(49,676)</u>	<u>11,765</u>
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS FOR THE YEAR	1,096	232,763	221,573	455,432	567,803
Total Funds Brought Forward	<u>175,760</u>	<u>805,482</u>	<u>1,725,180</u>	<u>2,706,422</u>	<u>2,138,619</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>176,856</u>	<u>1,038,245</u>	<u>1,946,753</u>	<u>3,161,854</u>	<u>2,706,422</u>

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CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2008

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2008</u>		<u>2007</u>	
		£	£	£	£
<u>FIXED ASSETS</u>					
Tangible Assets	9		722,905		723,925
Investments - Dhole Bequest	10(b)		339,058		319,341
Investments – general	10(c)		541,849		563,508
Investments – restricted	10(d)		<u>43,537</u>		<u>41,172</u>
			1,647,349		1,647,946
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>					
Debtors	11	401,480		290,415	
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>1,674,093</u>		<u>1,344,011</u>	
		2,075,573		1,634,426	
<u>CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR</u>					
	12	<u>(561,068)</u>		<u>(575,950)</u>	
<u>NET CURRENT ASSETS</u>					
			<u>1,514,505</u>		<u>1,058,476</u>
<u>NET ASSETS</u>					
			<u>£3,161,854</u>		<u>£2,706,422</u>
<u>ACCUMULATED FUNDS</u>					
Unrestricted Funds:					
Other Charitable Funds			757,474		463,378
Revaluation Reserve	10(c)		(12,998)		37,774
Charitable Trading Fund			103		103
Designated Funds	18		<u>1,202,174</u>		<u>1,223,925</u>
Total Unrestricted Funds			1,946,753		1,725,180
Permanent Endowment	18		176,856		175,760
Restricted Income Funds	18		<u>1,038,245</u>		<u>805,482</u>
<u>MEMBERS FUNDS</u>					
	18		<u>£3,161,854</u>		<u>£2,706,422</u>

The financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with the Special Provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 applicable to small companies, were approved by the Board of Directors and UK Management Committee on 10 July 2008 and signed on its behalf.

Dr T K Smith
Director and Honorary Treasurer

The notes on pages 17 to 27 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2008

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2008</u>		<u>2007</u>	
		£	£	£	£
<u>FIXED ASSETS</u>					
Tangible Assets	9		722,905		723,925
Investment in subsidiary company	10(a)		100		100
Investments - Dhole Bequest	10(b)		339,058		319,341
Investments – general	10(c)		541,849		563,508
Investments – restricted	10(d)		<u>43,537</u>		<u>41,172</u>
			1,647,449		1,648,046
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>					
Debtors	11	456,366		387,265	
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>1,343,877</u>		<u>910,208</u>	
		1,800,243		1,297,473	
<u>CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR</u>					
	12	<u>(285,941)</u>		<u>(239,200)</u>	
<u>NET CURRENT ASSETS</u>					
			<u>1,514,302</u>		<u>1,058,273</u>
<u>NET ASSETS</u>					
			<u>£3,161,751</u>		<u>£2,706,319</u>
<u>ACCUMULATED FUNDS</u>					
Unrestricted Funds:					
Other Charitable Funds			757,474		463,378
Revaluation Reserve	10(c)		(12,998)		37,774
Designated Funds	18		<u>1,202,174</u>		<u>1,223,925</u>
Total Unrestricted Funds			1,946,650		1,725,077
Permanent Endowment	18		176,856		175,760
Restricted Income Funds	18		<u>1,038,245</u>		<u>805,482</u>
<u>MEMBERS FUNDS</u>					
			<u>£3,161,751</u>		<u>£2,706,319</u>

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THE BRITISH GERIATRICS SOCIETY**(A Company Limited by Guarantee)****NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2008**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIESa) Basis of Preparation of Financial Statements

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention except for investments which have been included at revalued amounts. The financial statements include the results of the Society's operations as indicated in the Report of the UK Management Committee, all of which are continuing.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2005)", applicable UK accounting standards and the Companies Act 1985. The charity has availed itself of Paragraph 3 (3) of Schedule 4 of the Companies Act formats to reflect the special nature of the Society's activities.

The Society has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS1 not to prepare a cash flow statement on the grounds that it is a small group.

b) Funds

Unrestricted Funds relate to the income which is available to meet the general objectives of the Society. General Funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the UK Management Committee in the furtherance of the general objectives of the Society and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Designated Funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the UK Management Committee for particular purposes. The aim and use of the designated funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Restricted Funds relate to income which is made available to the Society for specific purposes and which must be used solely for those purposes. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Endowment Funds are monies which have been given to the Society in trust with the restriction that they are held as capital with the income generated from them to be used for specific grants and awards. The income is held as a separate restricted fund.

Investment income and gains are allocated to the appropriate fund.

c) Incoming Resources

The incoming resources of the group is made up of subscriptions, donations, commercial sponsorships, income from conferences and income from sale of publications invoiced during the year (stated net of Value Added Tax).

Donations are accounted for as received by the Society. The excess/deficit of donations over grants given is included in the Donation and Grant Fund.

Legacies are recorded when they can be quantified and have been confirmed by a third party.

Existing member subscriptions are due on 1 January each year and income is accounted for on an accruals basis over the calendar year to which it relates.

Commercial sponsorship is event-specific and is treated as earned on the event date.

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The income from conferences is shown gross with the associated costs included in the expenditure. Income is recognised on the dates the conferences take place.

No permanent endowments have been received in the period but these are dealt with through the Statement of Financial Activities when received.

Investment income plus associated tax recoverable is credited to income on a receipts basis using dates of payment for the listed investment income. Income arising from bank deposits and fixed interest shares is credited to income on an accruals basis.

d) Tangible Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Tangible Fixed Assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation.

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of Fixed Assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases:

Fixtures and Fittings	Over 10 years on a straight line basis
Office Equipment	Over 5 years on a straight line basis
Computer Equipment	Over 3 years on a straight line basis

No depreciation will be charged on the freehold property as it is intended that maintenance will be carried out to maintain this at a level which is at least commensurate with its original cost. Individual fixed assets costing less than £500 are not capitalised.

e) Investments

Investments are stated at market value. Realised and unrealised gains and losses on investments are dealt with in the Statement of Financial Activities.

f) Value Added Tax

Both the British Geriatrics Society and the trading subsidiary are registered for Value Added Tax and any costs are stated net of Value Added Tax.

g) Consolidation

The Financial Statements incorporate the accounts of the Society and of its subsidiary company, B G S (Trading) Limited. The results of the subsidiary are consolidated on a line by line basis.

As provided for by Section 228(7) of the Companies Act 1985 and paragraph 397 of SORP 2005, a separate Income and Expenditure Account has not been presented for the Society alone.

h) Pension Scheme

The Society operates a scheme to contribute a defined amount to individual employees pension schemes and the pension charge represents the amounts payable by the Society to the various schemes in respect of the year.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2008 (Contd)i) Operating Leases

Rentals applicable to operating leases where substantially all the benefits and risks of ownership remain with the lessor are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis.

j) Resources Expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of the resources. All overheads have been allocated on the basis of the time spent by the staff using that overhead.

Grants and research fellowships payable to individuals are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when approved and payable. These grants are awarded to relieve hardship for individuals attending scientific conferences or carrying out research projects in the field of geriatric medicine. The fellowships are awarded for specific areas of research.

Costs of generating funds comprise the costs associated with servicing the membership of the Society, running the committee meetings and the costs incurred in order to attract voluntary income.

Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the Society, such as preparing and auditing statutory accounts, as well as the costs of strategic planning for the future.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the Society in the delivery of its activities – running scientific meetings, issuing publications and promoting research, education and training. Costs relating to a specific activity are allocated directly, others are apportioned on an appropriate basis eg staff time as set out in note 5.

k) Taxation

The Society, but not its trading subsidiary, by virtue of its charitable status, is exempt from Corporation Tax on any surplus of income over expenditure.

l) Volunteers

The value of services provided by volunteers is not included in these financial statements. Further details of the contribution made by volunteers can be found in the Report of the UK Management Committee.

2. <u>VOLUNTARY INCOME</u>	<u>2008</u> £	<u>2007</u> £
Donations and Covenants from individuals and charitable trusts set up in the estates of individuals	228	28
Donations from Charitable Trusts	204,450	209,450
Donations from Commercial Organisations	10,990	10,573
Legacies	<u>505</u>	<u>53,000</u>
	<u>216,173</u>	<u>273,051</u>

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	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
	£	£
3. <u>ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS</u>		
Subscriptions	267,304	264,705
Other income	<u>29,145</u>	<u>14,175</u>
	<u>296,449</u>	<u>278,880</u>
4. <u>INVESTMENT INCOME</u>		
Income from listed investments	50,180	38,350
Interest receivable on cash deposits	<u>64,744</u>	<u>39,847</u>
	<u>114,924</u>	<u>78,197</u>

5. ANALYSIS OF TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED

	<u>Basis of allocation</u>	<u>Cost of generating funds</u>	<u>Governance</u>	<u>Scientific Meetings</u>	<u>Publications</u>	<u>Education & Research</u>	<u>Total 2008</u>	<u>Total 2007</u>
		£	£	£	£	£	£	£
<u>Costs directly allocated to activities</u>								
Staff Costs	Direct	99,106	8,975	42,273	50,170	16,420	216,944	208,614
Conferences	Direct	-	-	532,899	-	-	532,899	586,143
Journals	Direct	-	-	-	75,296	-	75,296	58,716
Information & Education	Direct	1,236	-	4,388	45,735	221	51,580	88,305
Grants, Awards & Prizes to individuals	Direct	-	-	-	-	128,837	128,837	101,643
Committee Expenses	Direct	17,392	-	3,881	7,118	14,754	43,145	41,283
Annual Report	Direct	3,754	-	-	-	-	3,754	3,111
Audit Fee	Direct	-	7,310	-	-	-	7,310	6,890
Bank Charges	Direct	2,709	-	-	-	-	2,709	2,634
Legal Costs	Direct	-	45	-	-	-	45	307
<u>Support costs allocated to activities</u>								
Premises	Staff Time	7,003	622	2,645	4,046	1,245	15,561	11,295
Depreciation	Staff Time	4,003	356	1,512	2,313	711	8,895	7,775
Office Costs	Staff Time	9,003	800	3,401	5,202	1,600	20,006	25,665
Other Costs	Staff Time	<u>5,590</u>	<u>456</u>	<u>1,936</u>	<u>2,961</u>	<u>911</u>	<u>11,854</u>	<u>5,001</u>
		<u>149,796</u>	<u>18,564</u>	<u>592,935</u>	<u>192,841</u>	<u>164,699</u>	<u>1,118,835</u>	<u>1,147,382</u>

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6.	<u>NET INCOMING RESOURCES</u>	<u>2008</u> £	<u>2007</u> £
	The net incoming resources is stated after charging:		
	Depreciation of Tangible Fixed Assets owned by the company	8,895	7,775
	Operating Lease rentals - hire of equipment	1,717	2,938
	Audit Fees	<u>7,310</u>	<u>6,890</u>

7. **FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES OF THE SOCIETY**

The financial activities shown in the consolidated statement includes those of the Society's wholly owned subsidiary, BGS (Trading) Limited.

A summary of the financial activities undertaken by the Society is set out below:

	<u>2008</u> £	<u>2007</u> £
Gross incoming resources	1,107,993	1,130,012
Total expenditure on charitable activities	437,206	395,888
Cost of generating funds	149,640	162,729
Governance costs	16,039	15,357
Investment loss/(gain)	<u>49,676</u>	<u>(11,765)</u>
Net incoming resources	455,432	567,803
Total funds brought forward	<u>2,706,319</u>	<u>2,138,516</u>
Total funds carried forward	<u>3,161,751</u>	<u>2,706,319</u>
Represented by:		
Restricted income funds	1,038,245	805,482
Permanent endowed funds	176,856	175,760
Unrestricted funds	<u>1,946,650</u>	<u>1,725,077</u>
	<u>3,161,751</u>	<u>2,706,319</u>

8. **STAFF COSTS**

No remuneration was paid to the directors and members of the UK Management Committee in the year. The staff costs were:-

	<u>2008</u> £	<u>2007</u> £
Wages and Salaries - General	176,096	166,446
- Age & Ageing and honoraria	24,187	37,711
Pension Costs	19,775	18,613
Social Security Costs	<u>19,101</u>	<u>22,088</u>
	<u>239,159</u>	<u>244,858</u>

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The average number of staff employed by the Society (excluding the person who works on Age & Ageing and honoraria) during the year included in General Wages and Salaries was equivalent to five (2007- five).

No employee's total emoluments exceeded £60,000 during the year (2007- none).

The Members of the UK Management Committee neither received nor waived any emoluments during this or the previous year.

During the year £9,281 (2007 - £11,551) was reimbursed to past and present Members of the UK Management Committee for travel, subsistence and overnight accommodation, solely necessary for attendance at meetings, in accordance with the Memorandum and Articles of Association. Expenses were reimbursed to 23 Members of the UK Management Committee during the year (2007 - 22).

Indemnity Insurance at a cost of £982 (2007 - £1,060) was taken up during the year to protect the Society from loss arising from neglect or default of the members of the UK Management Committee and to indemnify members of the UK Management Committee against the consequences of any neglect or default on their part.

9. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

<u>Group and Society</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Freehold</u>	<u>Computer</u>	<u>Fixtures, Fittings</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>Land & Buildings</u>	<u>Equipment</u>	<u>and Equipment</u>
<u>Cost</u>		<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
At 1 April 2007	776,705	700,000	21,775	54,930
Additions	7,875	-	5,103	2,772
Disposals	<u>(6,319)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(6,319)</u>	<u>-</u>
At 31 March 2008	<u>778,261</u>	<u>700,000</u>	<u>20,559</u>	<u>57,702</u>
<u>Depreciation</u>				
At 1 April 2007	52,780	-	20,628	32,152
Provided in year	8,895	-	2,497	6,398
Disposals	<u>(6,319)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(6,319)</u>	<u>-</u>
At 31 March 2008	<u>55,356</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,806</u>	<u>38,550</u>
<u>Net Book Value</u>				
At 31 March 2008	<u>£722,905</u>	<u>£700,000</u>	<u>£3,753</u>	<u>£19,152</u>
At 31 March 2007	<u>£723,925</u>	<u>£700,000</u>	<u>£1,147</u>	<u>£22,778</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2008(Contd)9. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS (Contd)

All the tangible fixed assets are used by the employees of the Society to fulfil both the charitable objectives and in the management and administration of the Society.

The UK Management Committee is of the opinion that the freehold land and buildings has a current value in excess of the book cost. A formal valuation has not been obtained because, in the opinion of the UK Management Committee, the cost of professionally valuing the freehold land and buildings would outweigh the benefit to the users of the accounts and a valid comparison with other properties cannot be made.

10. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

<u>(a) Subsidiary Company</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>Society</u>	<u>2007</u>
	£		£
Shares at Cost as at 1 April 2007 and 31 March 2008	<u>100</u>		<u>100</u>

The Society owns 100% of the ordinary share capital of BGS (Trading) Limited which is registered in England and Wales.

The accounts of BGS (Trading) Limited have been consolidated with the Society for the purposes of the financial statements (see Note 14).

<u>(b) MK Dhole Bequest</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
	£	£
Listed Investments - UK		
Market value at beginning of year	175,760	184,839
Unrealised investment (loss)/gain	<u>1,096</u>	<u>(9,079)</u>
Market value at end of year	176,856	175,760
Cash Deposits	<u>162,202</u>	<u>143,581</u>
Total Market Value at end of year	<u>339,058</u>	<u>319,341</u>
The historic cost of listed investments	<u>200,017</u>	<u>200,017</u>

The listed investments relate to COIF Charity Fixed Interest Fund - Income Units

<u>(c) General investments</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
	£	£
Listed Investments – UK		
Market value at beginning of year	250,468	219,891
Additions/(disposals)	11,126	9,733
Unrealised investment (loss)/gain	<u>(50,772)</u>	<u>20,844</u>
Market value at end of year	210,822	250,468
Cash Deposits	<u>331,027</u>	<u>313,040</u>
Total market value at end of year	<u>541,849</u>	<u>563,508</u>
The historic cost of listed investments	<u>200,000</u>	<u>200,000</u>

The listed investments relate to M&G Charifund units.

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(d) <u>Restricted Investments</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Cash deposits	<u>43,537</u>	<u>41,172</u>

The investments are held by the BGS Cardiology Section.

11. <u>DEBTORS</u>	<u>2008</u>		<u>2007</u>	
	<u>Group</u> £	<u>Society</u> £	<u>Group</u> £	<u>Society</u> £
Due within one year:				
Trade debtors	118,258	64,378	154,886	61,012
Amount due from subsidiary	-	241,600	-	260,589
Prepayments and Accrued Income	265,493	132,659	115,185	45,320
Other debtors	<u>17,729</u>	<u>17,729</u>	<u>20,344</u>	<u>20,344</u>
	<u>401,480</u>	<u>456,366</u>	<u>290,415</u>	<u>387,265</u>

12. <u>CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR</u>	<u>2008</u>		<u>2007</u>	
	<u>Group</u> £	<u>Society</u> £	<u>Group</u> £	<u>Society</u> £
Trade Creditors	194	194	7,479	2,191
Accruals and Deferred Income	437,725	200,918	498,368	203,161
Other Creditors	81,341	78,839	20,739	18,399
Taxation and Social Security	<u>41,808</u>	<u>5,990</u>	<u>49,364</u>	<u>15,449</u>
	<u>561,068</u>	<u>285,941</u>	<u>575,950</u>	<u>239,200</u>

13. ANALYSIS OF FUND BALANCES BETWEEN NET ASSETS

	<u>Permanent Endowment</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Charitable Trading</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
Tangible Fixed Assets	-	-	722,905	-	722,905
Investments	176,856	205,739	541,849	-	924,444
Net Current Assets	<u>-</u>	<u>832,506</u>	<u>681,896</u>	<u>103</u>	<u>1,514,505</u>
Total Net Assets	<u>176,856</u>	<u>1,038,245</u>	<u>1,946,650</u>	<u>103</u>	<u>3,161,854</u>

THE BRITISH GERIATRICS SOCIETY**(A Company Limited by Guarantee)****NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2008 (Contd)**14. **INVESTMENT IN SUBSIDIARY COMPANY**

The British Geriatrics Society owns the whole of the issued share capital of B G S (Trading) Limited, a company incorporated in England and Wales. This subsidiary generates income from conferences and exhibitions. B G S (Trading) Limited covenants its taxable profit to the British Geriatric Society. A summary of the trading results is shown below:-

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
	£	£
Turnover	739,180	819,967
Cost of sales and administrative expenses	(515,949)	(573,408)
Interest receivable	<u>11,682</u>	<u>14,030</u>
Net profit	234,913	260,589
Amount gifted to Society	<u>(234,913)</u>	<u>(260,589)</u>
Retained in subsidiary	_____ -	_____ -

The assets and liabilities of the subsidiary were:

Current Assets	<u>203</u>	<u>203</u>
Aggregate share capital and reserves	<u>203</u>	<u>203</u>

15. **PENSION COMMITMENTS**

The Society operates a scheme to contribute a defined amount to individual pension schemes. The assets of these schemes are held separately from those of the Society in independently administered funds. At the balance sheet date there were £nil unpaid contributions (2007 - £36).

16. **OTHER COMMITMENTS**

As at 31 March 2008 the Society had the following annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases for plant and machinery as follows:

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
	£	£
Expiry Date:		
Within one year	230	179
Between one and five years	<u>2,130</u>	<u>1,794</u>

The Society is also contracted to pay RILA £18,633 for two more issues of Geriatric Medicine. Two further issues will be subject to a new financial agreement. The amount payable is not yet known.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2008 (Contd)17. **RELATED PARTIES**

During the year, Dr P K Myint, one of the Members of the UK Management Committee until his resignation on 23 November 2007, received a Specialist Registrar Research Start-Up Grant of £9,925 on 14 December 2007. This was based purely on the merit of the work to be carried out by the individual concerned and complied fully with all the Society's procedures.

18. **FUNDS MOVEMENT IN YEAR**

	Note	Balance At 1/4/07	Incoming Funds	Amounts Expended	Transfers & investment gains/(losses)	Balance at 31/3/08
		£	£	£	£	£
Permanent Endowment						
MK Dhole Bequest	a)	<u>175,760</u>	—	—	<u>1,096</u>	<u>176,856</u>
Restricted Funds						
MK Dhole Income	b)	144,424	18,622	(10,000)	-	153,046
Dunhill research fund	c)	200,000	200,000	(19,643)	50,000	430,357
Donations & Grants	c)	301,077	4,678	(75,174)	50,505	281,086
Special Interest Groups (SIGs):d)						
Cardiology		79,039	26,059	(23,225)	-	81,873
Bones & Falls		27,609	8,047	(341)	-	35,315
Parkinsons Disease		10,203	4,095	(1,780)	-	12,518
Other SIGs		29,343	5,951	(4,890)	-	30,404
Regions	e)	12,087	8,690	(8,831)	-	11,946
Other restricted funds		<u>1,700</u>	-	-	-	<u>1,700</u>
		<u>805,482</u>	<u>276,142</u>	<u>(143,884)</u>	<u>100,505</u>	<u>1,038,245</u>
Designated Funds						
Fixed Asset fund	f)	723,925	-	-	(1,020)	722,905
MA Kuck research fund	g)	250,000	-	(14,200)	-	235,800
B Isaacs research fund	h)	<u>250,000</u>	-	<u>(6,531)</u>	-	<u>243,469</u>
		<u>1,223,925</u>	-	<u>(20,731)</u>	<u>(1,020)</u>	<u>1,202,174</u>
Unrestricted Funds						
Charitable Trading fund		103	-	-	-	103
Revaluation reserve	i)	37,774	-	-	(50,772)	(12,998)
Other unrestricted funds		<u>463,378</u>	<u>1,347,801</u>	<u>(954,220)</u>	<u>(99,485)</u>	<u>757,474</u>
		<u>501,255</u>	<u>1,347,801</u>	<u>(954,220)</u>	<u>(150,257)</u>	<u>744,579</u>
Total Funds		<u>2,706,422</u>	<u>1,623,943</u>	<u>(1,118,835)</u>	<u>(49,676)</u>	<u>3,161,854</u>

Notes:-

- a) The Permanent Endowment Fund relates to the MK Dhole bequest which was provided to enable any investment income arising on the bequest to be applied for the provision of a biannual award of £500 for the most deserving published work of medical research appertaining to the needs of aged people. Any remainder income is to be used for the provision, endowment and financing of scholarships, fellowships and lectureships of all kinds connected with research in the field of geriatric medicine.
- b) The M K Dhole Income Fund is a restricted fund that receives the income from the M K Dhole permanent endowment. An award of £10,000 is made every 2 years which has been used during the financial year to part finance the Marjory Warren Fellowship in conjunction with Research into Ageing. It will be awarded again in 2009/10.

THE BRITISH GERIATRICS SOCIETY**(A Company Limited by Guarantee)****NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2008 (Contd)**18. **FUNDS MOVEMENT IN YEAR (Contd)**

Notes (Contd):-

- c) The Donations and Grants Fund is a restricted fund which ensures that all voluntary gifts and donations received are used to make grants in the furtherance of the Society's objectives. During the year, £100,505 was transferred from the Society's unrestricted fund in support of the funding of grants. £50,000 of this was transferred to the Dunhill Medical Trust Fellowships.
- d) The Special Interest Group Funds are restricted in so far as they are only to be used for charitable purposes in the particular special interest field.
- e) The Regional Funds are restricted in so far as they are only to be used for charitable purposes in the particular region of the United Kingdom.
- f) The Fixed Asset Fund, a designated fund, was set up to assist in identifying those funds that are not free funds. It represents the net book value of tangible assets and includes Marjory Warren House, the Society's registered office.
- g) The M A Kuck Research Fund, was designated to ear-mark the monies received from the estate of the late Dr M A Kuck, a former member, for a 3 year research fellowship. A three year clinical research training fellowship was awarded in January 2008.
- h) The B Isaacs Research Fund was designated to ear-mark funds for future research projects. A four year clinical research training fellowship was awarded in January 2008.
- i) The Revaluation Reserve Fund represents the accumulated unrealised gain net of losses on the Society's listed general investments.