

City of London Freeman's School Bursary Fund

Annual Report and Financial Statements for the
year ended 31 March 2021

Charity registration number 284769

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ORIGINS OF THE CHARITY

The City of London Freeman's School Bursary Fund charity was registered on 8 July 1982. It was previously governed by the governing document dated 30 April 1982 and its supplementary deeds of 25 August 1993 and 29 April 1997. The governing document and the supplementary deeds were replaced on 1 December 2011 by the governing scheme approved by The Charity Commission for England and Wales.

TRUSTEE'S ANNUAL REPORT

STRUCTURE AND GOVERNANCE

GOVERNING DOCUMENTS

The governing document for the City of London Freeman's School Bursary Fund is the Scheme approved by The Charity Commission for England and Wales on 1 December 2011. This Scheme replaces the previous governing document dated 30 April 1982 and its supplementary deeds of 25 August 1993 and 29 April 1997.

GOVERNANCE ARRANGEMENTS

The Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the City of London (also referred to as 'the City Corporation' or 'the City of London Corporation'), a body corporate and politic, is the Trustee of the City Of London Freeman's School Bursary Fund. The City Corporation is Trustee acting by the Court of Common Council of the City of London in its general corporate capacity and that executive body has delegated responsibility in respect of the administration and management of this charity to various committees and sub-committees of the Common Council, membership of which is drawn from 125 elected Members of the Common Council and external appointees to those committees. In making appointments to committees, the Court of Common Council will take into consideration any particular expertise and knowledge of the elected Members, and where relevant, external appointees. External appointments are made after due advertisement and rigorous selection to fill gaps in skills. Members of the Court of Common Council are unpaid and are elected by the electorate of the City of London.

The key Committee which has responsibility for directly managing matters related to the charity is the Board of Governors of the City of London Freeman's School, which is ultimately responsible to the Court of Common Council of the City of London. Committee meetings are held in public, enabling the decision-making process to be clear, transparent and publicly accountable. Details of the membership of Committees of the City Corporation are available at www.cityoflondon.gov.uk.

The Trustee believes that good governance is fundamental to the success of the charity. A comprehensive review of governance commenced during the year and is ongoing to ensure that the charity is effective in fulfilling its objectives. Reference is being made to the good practices recommended within the Charity Governance Code throughout this review. Focus is being placed on ensuring regulatory compliance and the ongoing maintenance of an efficient and effective portfolio of charities that maximise impact for beneficiaries.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The objective of the charity is the promotion of education (including physical training) by the provision of bursaries and other forms of financial assistance for fees and / or other costs incurred through attendance at the School to enable pupils to further their education at the School by, for example, providing financial assistance to those who:

- (1) would not be able to enter the School having been accepted; or
- (2) having commenced education at the School would not be able to continue their education at the School.

Income can also be used for such other charitable purposes as shall be associated with the School, as the Trustee shall direct.

Investment Policy

The charity's investments are held in units of the City of London Charities Pool (registered charity 1021138). The investment policy of the Charities Pool is to provide a real increase in annual income in the long term whilst preserving the value of the capital base. The annual report and financial statements of the Charities Pool (which include an analysis of investment performance against objectives set) are available from the Chamberlain of London & Chief Financial Officer, at the email address stated on page 25.

Policy on grant making

The charity has established its grant making policies to achieve its objects, as laid out above, for the public benefit. Applications are assessed via a robust process to ensure the proposed activities for funding will be supported by adequate and appropriate resources and will be used only for activities that match the charity's criteria. The assessment, management and oversight of the charity's grant making is provided by the City of London Freeman's School Bursary Fund, the Bursar and the Chamberlain's, which is an internal department of The City of London Corporation. Grants are recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities when they have been approved by the Trustee and notified to the Beneficiaries.

Public benefit statement

The Trustee confirms that it has referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the City of London Freeman's School Bursary Fund's aims and objectives and in planning future activities. The purposes of the charity are as stated above.

Consequently, the Trustee considers that the City of London Freeman's School Bursary Fund operates to benefit the general public and satisfy the public benefit test.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

The administrative details of the charity are stated on page 25.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The target for 2020/21 was to continue to contribute towards fees of pupils at the City of London Freeman's School where financial hardship would cause the pupil to be unable to enter or continue at the School. In line with this, three bursaries (2019/20: four bursaries) were awarded during the year amounting to £33,501 (2019/20: £41,110).

PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

The objective for 2021/22 is to continue to contribute towards the tuition fees payable to the City of London Freeman's School for pupils who, but for financial assistance, would not be able to continue at or enter the School.

The Trustee does not consider there to be any material uncertainty around going concern and further detail regarding this is set out on page 16.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Overview of Financial Performance

Income

In 2020/21 the charity's total income for the year was £269,068, an overall reduction of £26,053 against the previous year (2019/20: charity's total income for the year was £295,121, an overall increase of £209,016 against the previous year).

The key contributor to income was voluntary income, amounting to £221,282 (2019/20: £257,984), with further income from managed investments of £46,174 (2019/20: £36,713) and £1,612 (2019/20: £424) of interest from cash balances held.

Expenditure

Total expenditure for the year was £36,549, of which £33,959 related to charitable activities and there was £2,590 of other expenditure (2019/20: £42,197 of expenditure, of which £41,797 related to charitable activities and there was £400 of other expenditure).

Investments performance

Financial markets recovered strongly over the twelve months to 31 March 2021 following the decline in asset prices in early 2020 during the emergence of the COVID-19 pandemic. Under these conditions investments held in the Charities Pool performed very well, generating a gross return of +30.72% for 2020/21 (2019/20: -14.78%) which compares favourably against the FTSE All Share Index benchmark return of +26.71% (2019/20 -18.45%). As a result, the longer-term performance of the Charities Pool investments, as set out in the table below, has significantly improved compared to the position reported twelve months ago.

Fund	2020/21		2019/20	
	3 year	5 year	3 year	5 year
Fund	5.04%	7.19%	-2.44%	1.37%
FTSE All Share	3.19%	6.29%	-4.24%	0.57%
Fund outperformance	+1.85%	+0.90%	+1.80%	+0.80%

Funds held

The charity's total funds held increased by £455,665 (44.2%) to £1,487,541 as at 31 March 2021 (2019/20: total funds held increased by £49,134 (5.0%) to £1,031,876 as at 31 March 2020). This movement is comprised of income of £269,068 (2019/20: £295,121) less expenditure of £36,549 (2019/20: £42,197), a fair value movement of £395 and a gain of £222,751 (2019/20: a loss of £203,790) on the investments held within the City of London Charities Pool based on valuations as at 31 March 2021. The valuations are linked to the UK stock market, which experienced a significant fall during February and March 2020 as a result of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. Most of the losses that occurred have now reversed although valuations have not yet fully recovered to the levels seen in October 2019.

As part of the review of charities, a detailed review of the historic governing documents of the charity identified that the charity does not have the power of accumulation required to allocate incoming funds to the expendable endowment. As such the policy for recognising income and available expenditure for the current period has been updated to provide more reliable and relevant information that income received is unrestricted, and that all available unrestricted funds are spent on charitable purposes. Subsequently, voluntary income of £221,282 was credited to the unrestricted fund in 2020/21.

Income of £47,786 arising from the capital held in the endowment funds was also credited to the unrestricted fund (2019/20: £37,137) and expenditure of £36,549 was met from this fund (2019/20: £37,137). The remaining balance of the fund was £232,519 as at 31 March 2021 (2019/20: nil).

The remaining funds are represented by expendable endowment funds which are held to generate income for the primary objectives of the charity. The fund balance was £1,255,022 at 31 March 2020 (2019/20: £1,031,876). Any undistributed income is held for use in future years in accordance with the objectives of the charity.

Details of funds held, including their purposes, is set out within note 11 to the financial statements.

Reserves policy

The reserves policy is to maintain the expendable funds of the charity in investments in the Charities Pool administered by the City of London Corporation and to use the investment income together with other funds, in accordance with the objectives of the charity. The trustee revised its policy in 2020/21 and believes that an amount of at least £6,923 should be held at present to meet future working capital needs, representing 12 months of administration and external audit fees, which will be charged from 1 April 2021 and which will be subject to annual review.

Principal Risks and Uncertainties

The charity is committed to a programme of risk management as an element of its strategy to preserve the charity's assets. In order to embed sound practice the senior leadership team ensures that risk management policies are applied, that there is an on-going review of activity and that appropriate advice and support is provided. A key risk register has been prepared for the charity, which has been reviewed by the Trustee. This identifies the potential impact of key risks and the measures which are in place to mitigate such risks.

TRUSTEE'S RESPONSIBILITIES

The Trustee is responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the Financial Statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Charity law requires the Trustee to prepare the financial statements for each financial year in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under charity law the Trustee must not approve the financial statements unless the Trustee is satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustee is required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The Trustee is responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable the Trustee to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. The Trustee is also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

In so far as the Trustee is aware:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the charity's auditors are unaware; and
- the Trustee has taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditors are aware of that information.

Financial statements are published on the Trustee's website in accordance with legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements, which may vary from legislation in other jurisdictions. The maintenance and integrity of the Trustee's website is the responsibility of the Trustee. The Trustee's responsibility also extends to the ongoing integrity of the financial statements contained therein.

Adopted and signed for on behalf of the Trustee.

Jamie Ingham Clark FCA
Chairman of Finance Committee of
The City of London Corporation

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Deputy Chairman of Finance
Committee of The City of London
Corporation

Guildhall, London

7 December 2021

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEE OF THE CITY OF LONDON FREEMEN'S SCHOOL BURSARY FUND

Opinion on the financial statements

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Charity's affairs as at 31 March 2021 and of its incoming resources and application of resources for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

We have audited the financial statements of the City of London Freemen's School Bursary Fund ("the Charity") for the year ended 31 March 2021 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance sheet and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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 believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Independence

We remain independent of the Charity in accordance with the ethical requirements relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

Conclusions related to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Trustee's use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

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

Other information

The Trustee is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The other information comprises: Trustee's 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 audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

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

- the information contained in the financial statements is inconsistent in any material respect with the Trustee's Annual Report; or
- adequate accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of Trustee

As explained more fully in the Trustee's responsibilities statement, the Trustee is 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 Trustee determines 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 Trustee is responsible for assessing the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Trustee either intends to liquidate the Charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

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

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

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

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

- We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks that are applicable to the Charity and the sector within which it operates. This included but was not limited to compliance with the Charities Act 2011, United Kingdom Accounting Standards, and tax legislation;
- We held discussions with management, including consideration of known or suspected instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations and fraud;
- We requested and reviewed any regulatory correspondence, in particular compliance with the Charity Commission, and details of legal expenses;
- We addressed the risk of management override, in particular by testing any journal entries containing material or round sum amounts, and any irregular journals;
- We have considered the control environment at both entity level and financial statement level to consider the ability to detect and prevent fraud; and
- We reviewed the financial statement disclosures and tested to supporting documentation to assess compliance with relevant laws and regulations that have a direct effect on the financial statements.

Our audit procedures were designed to respond to risks of material misstatement in the financial statements, recognising that the risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment by, for example, forgery, misrepresentations or through collusion. There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures performed and the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations is from the events and

transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely we are to become aware of it.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located at the Financial Reporting Council's ("FRC's") website at:

<https://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 Charity's trustee, as a body, in accordance with the Charities Act 2011. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Charity's trustee 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 Charity and the Charity's trustee as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Heather Wheelhouse, Senior Statutory Auditor

BDO LLP, statutory auditor

London, UK

XX December 2021

BDO LLP is eligible for appointment as auditor of the charity by virtue of its eligibility for appointment as auditor of a company under section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

BDO LLP is a limited liability partnership registered in England and Wales (with registered number OC305127).

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

	Notes	2020/21 Unrestricted Funds £	2020/21 Endowment Funds £	2020/21 Total Funds £	2019/20 Total Funds £
Income and endowments from:					
Voluntary income	2	221,282	-	221,282	257,984
Investments	3	47,786	-	47,786	37,137
Total income		269,068	-	269,068	295,121
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	4	33,959	-	33,959	41,797
Other	5	2,590	-	2,590	400
Total expenditure		36,549	-	36,549	42,197
Net gains / (losses) on investments	8, 12	-	222,751	222,751	(203,790)
Fair Value Movements	12	-	395	395	-
Net movement in funds		232,519	223,146	455,665	49,134
Reconciliation of total funds:					
Brought forward	11, 12	-	1,031,876	1,031,876	982,742
Carried forward	11, 12	232,519	1,255,022	1,487,541	1,031,876

All of the above results are derived from continuing activities.

There were no other recognised gains and losses other than those shown above.

The notes on pages 16 to 24 form part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEET**AS AT 31 MARCH 2021**

	Notes	2021 Total £	2020 Total £
Fixed assets:			
Investments	8	1,166,260	850,427
Total fixed assets		1,166,260	850,427
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		301,231	195,152
Debtors	9	31,202	-
Short-term deposits		395	-
Total current assets		332,828	195,152
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	10	(11,547)	(13,703)
Net current assets		321,281	181,449
Total net assets	11, 12	1,487,541	1,031,876
The funds of the charity:			
Endowment funds	11, 12	1,255,022	1,031,876
Unrestricted funds	11, 12	232,519	-
Total funds	11, 12	1,487,541	1,031,876

The notes on pages 16 to 24 form part of these financial statements

Approved and signed on behalf of the Trustee.

Caroline Al-Beyerty

Chamberlain of London & Chief Financial Officer

XX December 2021

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items that are considered material in relation to the financial statements of the charity.

(a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS102, have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (second edition effective 1 January 2019) and the Charities Act 2011.

(b) Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as the Trustee considers that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern. The charity only spends the income that is generated from donations and investments, so maintaining its capital base.

In making this assessment, the Trustee has given regard to the ongoing impact of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic on the future income levels and the liquidity of the charity over the next 12-month period from the date of signing these financial statements, and has not identified any indication that the charity will not be able to meet liabilities, including planned liabilities, as they fall due.

The policy of only approving commitments from available income provides the flexibility to ensure the long-term viability of the charity despite previous reductions in investment values that occurred at the start of the pandemic. For this reason, the Trustee continues to adopt a going concern basis for the preparation of the financial statements.

(c) Key management judgements and assumptions

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expenditure. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the result of which form the basis of decisions about carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results.

Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the

estimate is revised and in any future periods affected. Management do not consider there to be any material revisions requiring disclosure.

(d) Statement of Cash Flows

As per section 14.1 of the Charities SORP the Charity is not required to produce a statement of cash flows on the grounds that it is a small entity.

(e) Income

All income is included in the Statements of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the charity is legally entitled to the income; it is more likely than not that economic benefit associated with the transaction will come to the charity and the amount can be quantified with reasonable certainty. Income consists of donations, investment income and interest.

(f) Expenditure

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under the principal category of 'expenditure on charitable activities'. Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that settlement will be required, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

The charity does not employ any staff, however the costs of bursaries administration, incurred by the City of London Corporation, are charged to the charity.

Officers of the City Corporation provide additional administrative assistance to the charity when required. From 2021/22, the City Corporation, as Trustee, has taken a decision to seek full reimbursement for the administration incurred from each of its charities.

(g) Taxation

The charity meets the definition of a charitable trust for UK income tax purposes, as set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010. Accordingly, the charity is exempt from UK taxation in respect of income or capital gains under part 10 of the Income Tax Act 2007 or section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

(h) Investments

Investments are made in the City of London Charities Pool (charity number 1021138) which is an investment mechanism operating in a similar way to a unit trust. This enables the City of London Corporation to pool small charitable investments together and consequently obtain better returns than would be the case if investments were made individually.

Investments are valued at bid-price. Gains and losses for the year on investments held as fixed assets are included in the Statement of Financial Activities.

(i) Funds structure

Income from investments and related expenditure is allocated to the unrestricted fund. The remaining income, expenditure and gains / losses are allocated to the expendable endowment fund. This consists of funds that are expendable as a result of the charity's governing scheme. These funds can also be invested to generate income which can be spent on the charitable purpose of the charity.

(j) Insurance

The charity, elected Members and staff supporting the charity's administration are covered by the City Corporation's insurance liability policies, and otherwise under the indemnity the City Corporation provides to Members and staff, funded from City's Cash.

2. INCOME FROM VOLUNTARY ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds 2020/21 £	Endowment funds 2019/20 £
Donations and legacies	141,073	178,992
City of London Corporation match-funding	80,209	78,992
Total	221,282	257,984

The City of London Corporation match-funds external donations received up to the value of 2.5% of the school's tuition fee income in any one financial year.

3. INCOME FROM INVESTMENTS

	Unrestricted funds 2020/21 £	Unrestricted funds 2019/20 £
Investment income	46,174	36,713
Interest	1,612	424
Total	47,786	37,137

4. EXPENDITURE ON CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

As at 31 March 2021	Unrestricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total 2020/21 £
Bursaries awarded:			
Direct costs	33,501	-	33,501
Support costs	458	-	458
Total	33,959	-	33,959

As at 31 March 2020	Unrestricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total 2019/20 £
Bursaries awarded:			
Direct costs	37,137	3,973	41,110
Support costs	-	687	687
Total	37,137	4,660	41,797

Charitable activities consisted of three bursaries awarded to individuals (2019/20: four bursaries were awarded to individuals).

5. OTHER EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted funds	Endowment funds
	2020/21 £	2019/20 £
Raising funds	2,139	-
Professional fees	451	400
Total	2,590	400

6. AUDITOR'S REMUNERATION

BDO are the auditors of the City of London's City's Cash Fund and all of the different charities of which it is Trustee. The City of London Corporation charges the audit fee to its City's Cash Fund and does not attempt to apportion the audit fee between the different charities.

From 2021/22 the City Corporation, as Trustee, has taken a decision to seek reimbursement for the audit fee incurred from each of its charities. In 2020/21 no audit fee was recharged (2019/20: £nil). No other services were provided to the charity by its auditors during the year (2019/20: nil).

7. TRUSTEE EXPENSES

The members of the City of London Corporation acting on behalf of the Trustee did not receive any remuneration or reimbursement of expenses during 2020/21 (2019/20: nil).

8. INVESTMENTS

The investments are held in the City of London Corporation Charities Pool, a charity registered in the UK with the Charity Commission (charity number 1021138). The Charities Pool is a UK registered unit trust.

The value of investments held by the charity are as follows:

	Total 31 March 2021 £	Total 31 March 2020 £
Market value 1 April	850,427	911,850
Additions	93,082	142,367
Gain / (loss) for the year	222,751	(203,790)
Market value 31 March	1,166,260	850,427
Cost 31 March	856,551	763,469
Units held in Charities Pool	131,900	119,829

The type of listed investments held as at 31 March was as follows:

	Total 31 March 2021 £	Total 31 March 2020 £
Equities	1,088,120	755,179
Pooled Units	61,812	61,231
Cash held by Fund Manager	16,328	34,017
Total	1,166,260	850,427

9. DEBTORS – AMOUNTS DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	Total 31 March 2021 £	Total 31 March 2020 £
HMRC - Gift Aid	18,198	-
Donations	12,926	-
HMRC - VAT	78	-
Total	31,202	-

10. CREDITORS – AMOUNTS DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	Total 31 March 2021 £	Total 31 March 2020 £
Bursaries awarded	11,547	13,703

11. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND

At 31 March 2021	Unrestricted £	Endowment £	Total 31 March 2021 £	Total 31 March 2020 £
Fixed assets - investments	-	1,166,260	1,166,260	850,427
Current assets	232,519	100,309	332,828	195,152
Current liabilities	-	(11,547)	(11,547)	(13,703)
Total	232,519	1,255,022	1,487,541	1,031,876

At 31 March 2020	Unrestricted	Endowment	Total 31 March 2020 £	Total 31 March 2019 £
Fixed assets - investments	-	850,427	850,427	911,850
Current assets	-	195,152	195,152	82,369
Current liabilities	-	(13,703)	(13,703)	(11,477)
Total	-	1,031,876	1,031,876	982,742

12. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

At 31 March 2021	Total 1 April 2020 £	Income £	Expendi- ture £	Gains & (losses) £	Fair value £	Total 31 March 2021 £
Endowment funds:						
Expendable endowment	1,031,876	-	-	222,751	395	1,255,022
Unrestricted funds	-	269,068	(36,549)	-	-	232,519
Total funds	1,031,876	269,068	(36,549)	222,751	395	1,487,541

At 31 March 2020	Total 1 April 2019 £	Income £	Expendi- ture £	Gains & (losses) £	Fair value £	Total 31 March 2020 £
Endowment funds:						
Expendable endowment	982,742	257,984	(5,060)	(203,790)	-	1,031,876
Unrestricted funds	-	37,137	(37,137)	-	-	-
Total funds	982,742	295,121	(42,197)	(203,790)	-	1,031,876

A gain of £222,751 (2019/20: a loss of £203,790) occurred on investments, based on valuations as at 31 March 2021. The valuations are linked to the UK stock market, which experienced a significant fall during February and March 2020 as a result of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. Most of the losses that occurred have now reversed although valuations have not yet fully recovered to the levels seen in October 2019.

Purpose of endowment funds

The funds of the charity are mainly represented by an expendable endowment which is held to generate income for the activities of the charity, including support in the form of bursaries. Any undistributed income is held for use in future years in accordance with the objectives of the charity.

Purpose of unrestricted funds

These funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the Trustee and include income generated by assets held within the expendable endowment fund.

13. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The City Corporation is the sole Trustee of the charity, as described on page 3.

The charity is required to disclose information on related party transactions with bodies or individuals that have the potential to control or influence the charity. Members are required to disclose their interests, and these can be viewed online at www.cityoflondon.gov.uk.

Members and senior staff are requested to disclose all related party transactions, including instances where their close family has made such transactions.

Related party	Connected party	2020/21 £	2019/20 £	Detail of transaction
City of London Corporation	The Trustee of the charity	80,209	78,992	Match-funding up to a maximum of 2.5% of tuition fee income
Charities Pool	The Trustee of the charity	46,174	36,713	Distribution from the Charities Pool
City of London Corporation	The Trustee of the charity	(458)	(687)	Bursary administration costs

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATION DETAILS

CHARITY NAME: City of London Freemen's School Bursary Fund

Registered charity number: 284769

PRINCIPAL OFFICE OF THE CHARITY & THE CITY CORPORATION:

Guildhall, London, EC2P 2EJ

TRUSTEE:

The Mayor and Commonalty & Citizens of the City of London

SENIOR MANAGEMENT:

Chief Executive

John Barradell OBE - The Town Clerk and Chief Executive of the City of London Corporation

Treasurer

Caroline Al-Beyerty - The Chamberlain & Chief Financial Officer of the City of London Corporation (appointed 1 May 2021)

Dr Peter Kane – The Chamberlain of the City of London Corporation (retired 30 April 2021)

Solicitor

Michael Cogher - The Comptroller and City Solicitor of the City of London Corporation

AUDITORS:

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INVESTMENT FUND MANAGERS:

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