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ENVIRONMENTAL LAW ASSOCIATION**

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REPORT OF THE COUNCIL OF MANAGEMENT For the year ended 31 December 2010



The United Kingdom Environmental Law Association
Making the law work for a better environment

Main activities and achievements during 2010

The UK Environmental Law Association (UKELA) aims to make the law work for a better environment. This is achieved by promoting the enhancement and conservation of the environment and by promoting public education about environmental law.

Overview

The highlights of the year were:

- Helping over 80,000 people get the information they need about their environmental rights and responsibilities through our website, Law and Your Environment
- Winning a Google AdWords campaign to boost traffic onto the website
- Starting a major project to review the effectiveness of Environmental Law which has attracted volunteer support and funding
- Nearly doubling the number of student members in a year
- Attracting over £25,000 in sponsorship from the successful annual conference in Exeter, against the recessionary trend
- Getting UKELA onto Facebook, Linked In, Twitter and YouTube
- Securing four new and supportive Patrons to help our work
- Wild Law volunteers launched an independent, campaigning group
- Attracting a diverse audience at over 30 UKELA educational events on a range of topics from the environmental challenges facing the coalition government, to waste in Northern Ireland and energy in Wales
- Engagement in inter-NGO work on future generations and planning for the long term

There were also some disappointments:

- Not securing funding to help us maintain Law and Your Environment despite its public benefits or for our Working Party Support officer
- Some regions struggled to find enough support to be as active for members as we would like

UKELA's work has been monitored against its strategic aims set out in its strategic plan, which runs until July 2012.

UKELA is very grateful to its Patrons: its President, Lord Justice Carnwath; Maria Adebawale; Sir Crispin Agnew; Tom Burke; Prof Malcolm Grant; Prof Sir Francis Jacobs; Prof Richard Macrory; Lord Woolf; Baroness Young of Old Scone.

And a big thank you to all who supported the Lord Nathan Memorial Fund for the Environment in 2010 – your donations continue to support our Law and Your Environment website. In total we received £11,427 during the year.

THE UNITED KINGDOM ENVIRONMENTAL LAW ASSOCIATION

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL OF MANAGEMENT For the year ended 31 December 2010

The Council Members, who are also the Directors of the Charity for the purposes of company law and the Trustees for charity law purposes, submit their Annual Report and Financial Statements for the period 1 January - 31 December 2010. The Council Members confirm that the Annual Report and Financial statements of the charity comply with current statutory requirements and the requirements of the Charity's governing document, the Memorandum and Articles of Association.

Objects

The primary objects of the Charity, which was established in 1986, are to promote for the benefit of the public generally the enhancement and conservation of the environment in the United Kingdom and in particular to advance the education of the public in all matters relating to the development, teaching, application and practice of law relating to the environment. There were no changes to the objects during the year.

Organisation of the Charity

The role of the elected Council is to set the policy and direction of the organisation and to monitor performance against agreed targets. UKELA is currently working to deliver the aims in its 2009-2012 Strategic Plan, which is set out in more detail below. Work to implement the Strategic Plan was undertaken by the two members of staff – Executive Director Vicki Elcoate and Member Support Officer Alison Boyd, and contractor, Rosie Oliver as Working Party Support Officer, and the organisation's many volunteers. The Membership Secretary function continued to be provided by the Chartered Institution of Wastes Management and the annual and Scottish conferences were organised by Origin Events.

The Council met quarterly with a Chair, Vice-Chair and Treasurer. Peter Kellett acted as Chair, and Mark Brumwell was Vice-Chair. Andrew Wiseman handed over to Tom Mosedale as Treasurer. The Executive Committee carried out a more hands-on management role between Council meetings.

Council Members undertake roles such as co-ordinating the Charity's Working Parties (this work was carried out by Colleen Theron) and Regional Groups (Kenneth Ross). The Company Secretary was Michael Woods, who handed over to new Council member, James Taylor.

Risk

Council carries out a risk review annually and monitors risks between times. The main risks in 2010 were about data protection, lack of involvement by trustees in developments in social media, pressures on public sector financing, reducing volunteer input and actual membership of the organisation, and running a fairly substantial events programme. The resulting risk plan and revised governance guidelines were published and placed on the website.

Method of appointment or election of Council Members

Council members are appointed annually and the Annual General meeting was held at the Conference at Exeter University on 27 June 2010. There was no need for an election in 2010 as the number of candidates fitted the number of vacancies exactly, although one Council member subsequently resigned, his place being filled by co-option. Over 100 members were in attendance at the AGM. New trustees receive induction from the Chair and Staff and training opportunities are regularly offered.

The Charity has no issued share capital or debentures, hence there are no directors' interests

Public benefit

When planning our activities for the year, the trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit requiring disclosure.

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Review of developments, activities and achievements

Aim 1: Influencing

We aim to make UKELA's interventions more influential across the range of its activities.

During 2010 UKELA was particularly active in its involvement with the introduction of civil penalties for environmental offences and for changes proposed to the costs regime. It responded to consultations on civil penalties, costs, biodiversity and nature, sustainable development, marine licensing and marine policy, ports policy, waste policy, environmental permitting regulations and transposition of the Waste Framework Directive. Events, which aim both to influence decision makers and inform members and others, were held on nuclear energy, climate change, Corby, economics and the environment, the Legislative Competence Order in Wales, waste in Northern Ireland and managing the marine environment.

Aim 2: Informing

We aim to provide relevant and up to date information to the public. In 2009 UKELA launched Law and Your Environment (www.environmentlaw.org.uk) which provides information to the public about their environmental rights and responsibilities. Visits have gone from a couple of thousand a month to nearly 20,000 a month, mainly due to our success in winning a Google AdWords campaign. This means that people searching for topics on search engines see ads directing them to the right page on our website. Although we've been unsuccessful in securing funding to develop the website further, with volunteer and some paid help we've managed to keep it up to date and add some Scottish content and new case studies. Fundraising efforts continue, bringing in nearly £12,000 over the year to our endowment fund which maintains the site from the interest raised by the investment.

The UKELA site (www.ukela.org) now has podcasts and more information for members on a range of topics.

UKELA also formed a social media team to make sure the organisation isn't missing out on new opportunities. Thanks to the volunteers' help we have over 300 contacts on Linked In, over 100 on Facebook and we've made a small start with Twitter. UKELA secured a YouTube charity partnership, which means we can show longer videos. We plan to develop this in 2011.

Aim 3: Modernising

This aim is to make sure that all members can access UKELA's member services in a way that suits them.

UKELA's members have been enthusiastic participants in events from the annual conference in Exeter to the Garner lecture, given by Sir Konrad Schiemann, to Wild Law in Scotland and events in Northern Ireland and Wales. We tried the first (almost) paperless conference and most delegates were happy to support efforts to reduce natural resource use. Members received our journal, e-law, edited by Catherine Davey, six times plus our conference papers published as a special edition of Environmental Law and Management and the 2009 Garner Lecture given by Prof Philippe Sands QC. Members increasingly prefer to book and pay for events online and join online discussions. But UKELA is still able to provide materials on paper or the ability to pay by cheque as it's important to cater for all our members' needs. Cost is an important consideration. We try to provide free or subsidised places for students and those on lower incomes at all UKELA events. But, as a charity with very limited resources, we do need to cover our costs.

Aim 4: Broaden the membership base

We aim to make sure UKELA has a diverse and growing membership base.

UKELA managed to nearly double its student membership in 2010. Thanks go to Claire Collis, recently joined by Kathleen Wainwright, as student advisers to Council. 2010 saw the first student competitions day with The Andrew Lees Prize being judged by presentation for the first time, and the moot competitions having a semi-final. Entries were up for both competitions. In addition UKELA was pleased to be able to award two bursaries and to award the new Simon Ball Prize for Outstanding Achievement to Elizabeth Muir from Strathclyde University.

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The membership numbers increased in 2010 to over 1200 (members plus named individuals under corporate membership). Public sector corporate membership increased slightly.

UKELA continued to provide monthly articles to “the environmentalist”, the journal of IEMA which provides a strong profile to environmental consultants, and has organised joint events with EP-UK, the Government Legal Service, the Foundation for Democracy and Sustainable Development and the Environmental and Planning Association in Northern Ireland.

Aim 5: Review of environmental law

We aim to find out if Environmental Law is working and what we can do if it's not?

The project will provide clear examples of where environmental law is succeeding and where it may not be, so that lessons can be learned. It will identify the symptoms arising from the current framework (from the viewpoints of practising lawyers, the public, business and regulators) that let us know that improvement is needed. The goal is to produce a final report early in 2012. The project made good progress during the year with three interns providing practical input from the autumn. A strong team has provided leadership and, towards the end of the year, the Kings College Futures Fund agreed funding to support the production of an interim report and workshop. The Matrix Causes Fund has provided funding for the final report.

The Wild Law group continues to provide ideas and thought leadership. Over 70 people were involved in two workshops in 2010 – at Loch Ossian in Scotland and Lee Valley. An international alliance provided further stimulus on a campaign for rights for nature, which has led to Wild Law UK being set up, independent of UKELA, and free to campaign.

Aim 6: Good governance

UKELA's Council provided strong direction and sound advice. The Company Secretary role and registered office were smoothly moved to a new Council member, and a new Treasurer stepped into the role.

Resources

Volunteer support

A huge vote of thanks goes to the President, Lord Justice Carnwath, for all his help both behind the scenes and at UKELA events. The Patrons have provided much needed advice and helped with high profile activities including chairing meetings. As ever, the backbone of UKELA is the membership, which continues to support the organisation with suggestions, organising and attending events, sharing ideas and knowledge and generally making the organisation work effectively.

Council Members and other members of the Charity continued to provide their services free – on Working Parties, the Executive Committee, Regional Groups, and in other ways. UKELA enjoys a high level of support from engaged and expert volunteers who provided the governance, organisation of major events and advice on the formulation of UKELA's published views. It is fortunate to find such a reserve of enthusiasm amongst, on the whole, busy working professionals. UKELA is also grateful to the Young UKELA organisers (Ruth Coffey and Margaret Walker) and students who helped with events and provided some much needed energy and enthusiasm – this is very much appreciated. The London meeting organisers, Simon Boyle and Begonia Filgueira, did an excellent job in securing a stimulating programme of seminars on a range of hot topics which proved of great interest to members. At the end of 2010 they handed over to successors to take on this role. Our thanks to Herbert Smith for hosting these meetings and to Angela Pallett for organising them. The numerous speakers who willingly give presentations, sometimes travelling long distances to do so, are the mainstay of much of the work UKELA does in informing, educating and provoking debate which further environmental law. They often do this for minimal expenses. Thanks go to all of you.

A huge vote of thanks goes to all UKELA volunteers: the trustees; those who help in special areas like Wild Law and the websites; those who help with the student competitions and careers advice; those

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helping with fundraising and sponsorship. Special thanks to David Hart QC for organising a sponsored kayak to support the endowment fund and to those who ran in the half marathon for the same cause.

UKELA is particularly grateful to the Chair, Peter Kellett, the Vice-Chair Mark Brumwell, and the Treasurers, Andrew Wiseman and Tom Mosedale. Their regular contact with the staff provided much needed expertise and support.

Finally thank you to our interns: Srijaanee Bhattacharyya, James Corbet-Burcher, Rebecca Findlay and Vikki Leitch for their support for our Aim 5 project.

Sponsorship and Partnerships

UKELA could not do all it does without such a high level of support from its member private companies and legal partnerships with related interests. Support was provided either in kind (e.g. by providing venues for meetings and administrative support) or by financial contributions. It really would be impossible to hold such high quality meetings and conferences without help of this kind.

The UKELA conference would not have been possible without the support of the main sponsors, 39 Essex Street, GroundSure Ltd, Landmark Information Group, WSP Environment & Energy. UKELA is also grateful to the other sponsors – Argyll Environmental (for the bags), 39 Essex Street (memory sticks), Landmark Chambers (organic and local produce), One Crown Office Row (pens), Hart Publishing (stand).

The Garner Lecture was generously sponsored and promoted by Clifford Chance.

The UKELA mooting competitions for 2009-2010 were kindly sponsored by No 5 Chambers and Lawtext Publishing provided subscriptions to Environmental Law and Management. Oxford University Press generously supported the new Simon Ball prize for Outstanding Academic Achievement. Thanks to University College London for hosting the first UKELA student competitions day.

UKELA is grateful to Herbert Smith for its continuing support for the programme of London meetings, to Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer for hosting the Post Election seminar and to Stephenson Harwood for the Climate Change and Local Authorities seminar.

Environmental Law and Management kindly published the UKELA 2010 conference papers and we are grateful to the editor, Rachel Caldin, for her help at the conference in providing transcripts and for her editing. Lawtext also published the 2009 Garner Lecture.

Landmark Chambers kindly hosted the student social and careers evening and other events.

Argyll Environmental was generous in providing the time and expertise of Simon Boyle to support UKELA's work in a number of areas.

Dundas & Wilson, Landmark Chambers, Lexis Nexis and WSP Environment & Energy kindly provided venues for Council and Executive Committee meetings.

To others not specifically listed – thank you very much and please keep up your support.

Future Plans

2011 will be an exciting year with several new initiatives:

- We will be taking a close interest in proposals of the new coalition government, such as the Localism Bill, the Natural Environment and Water White Papers
- The Environment Minister Lord Henley will discuss the plans of the Coalition Government with UKELA members early in 2011
- We aim to secure a video media intern to help us communicate our messages more effectively online
- The Aim 5 team will publish their interim review of environmental law and work towards the final report
- The annual conference will be held at the University of East Anglia in June, with a theme of Sustainable Development in an Age of Austerity

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- We also need to ensure a smooth transition to a new chair, keep Law and Your Environment up to date and support our working parties to engage with the flurry of Coalition Government initiatives.

Financial Review and Reserves policy

The Charity ended the year with a small surplus of £3,837 excluding the donations to the Lord Nathan Memorial Fund.

UKELA has been tying up some of its reserves in longer term deposits, to reflect its interest in maintaining an endowment fund to support the Law and Your Environment website in future. £20,000 has been designated by the trustees for this purpose and there was just under £30,000 in the endowment fund at the year end. The interest from this total sum will be used to maintain the website.

UKELA runs a number of events and any sums paid for attendance at events (eg the annual conference) are designated for that purpose until the event is held.

UKELA keeps in reserve (excluding the restricted and designated funds) a sufficient sum to cover any redundancy payments; outstanding payments to its contractors; any bills that might be outstanding in the event of the organisation having to wind up its affairs and enough to cover the annual conference liabilities in the event of an unforeseen cancellation. The sum of £50,000 is considered adequate for the purpose of meeting obligations. This policy will be reviewed at least annually if there are no substantial changes to income or expenditure, or the level of risk UKELA faces.

Preparation of the report

This report has been prepared taking advantage of the small companies exemption of section 415A of the Companies Act 2006. It was approved, and authorised for issue, by the Council of Management on 26 April 2010 and signed on its behalf by:

MARK BRUMWELL Chair

THE UNITED KINGDOM ENVIRONMENTAL LAW ASSOCIATION

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS For the year ended 31 December 2010

**The United Kingdom Environmental Law Association
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UKELA Council Members

Sasha Blackmore	Mark Brumwell*
Tim Clare*	Catherine Davey*
Paul Collins (2) (5)	Begonia Filgueira*
Elizabeth Hattan* (5)	Tim Jewell (1)
Peter Kellett* (5)	Richard Kimblin
Paul Leonard	Bridget Marshall
James Maurici	Tom Mosedale * (5)
Mothiur Rahman (2)(4)	Kenneth Ross
James Taylor (3) ++	Ben Stansfield (2)
Stephen Sykes	Colleen Theron*
Jamie Whittle	Andrew Wiseman*
Michael Woods (1) +	

Notes

The above Council members served throughout the period, and are still serving, except where otherwise stated, as follows:

- (1) stood down from Council at AGM June 2010
- (2) elected to Council at AGM June 2010
- (3) co-opted to Council October 2010
- (4) stood down from Council July 2010
- (5) stood down from Council February 2011

* Members of Executive Committee during the period included – Peter Kellett (Chair), Mark Brumwell (Vice Chair), Andrew Wiseman (Treasurer until AGM), Tom Mosedale (Treasurer from AGM), Tim Clare, Catherine Davey, Begonia Filgueira, Elizabeth Hattan, Colleen Theron

+ UKELA Company Secretary until October

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Executive Director: Vicki Elcoate

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE COUNCIL OF MANAGEMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM ENVIRONMENTAL LAW ASSOCIATION

I report on the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2010 set out on pages 9 to 13.

Respective responsibilities of Council of Management and independent examiner

As described on page 10 the Council of Management, which is the board of directors of The United Kingdom Environmental Law Association for the purposes of company law, and the board of trustees for the purposes of charity law, is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. The Council of Management considers that an audit is not required for this year under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the Charity is not subject to an audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 43 of the 1993 Act);
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 43(7)(b) of the Act, as amended); and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity, and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as Council of Management concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charitieshave not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Simon Erskine FCA FCIE DChA
Gotham Erskine LLP
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Date:

THE UNITED KINGDOM ENVIRONMENTAL LAW ASSOCIATION

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(incorporating income and expenditure account)
For the year ended 31 December 2010

	Unrestricted Funds 2010 £	Endowment Fund 2010 £	Total Funds 2010 £	Total Funds 2009 £
Notes				
INCOMING RESOURCES				
Membership subscriptions	54,646	-	54,646	60,204
Gift Aid on qualifying subscriptions	1,420	-	1,420	1,224
Regional meetings and subscriptions	9,995	-	9,995	3,166
Annual conference - Attendance fees	64,195	-	64,195	75,012
Annual conference - Sponsorship	26,550	-	26,550	16,750
Events & seminars income	14,159	-	14,159	10,128
Donations to Lord Nathan Memorial Fund	-	11,427	11,427	17,418
Wild Law conference income	8,780	-	8,780	7,957
Interest receivable	1,448	-	1,448	1,486
Other income	3,370	-	3,370	3,145
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	184,563	11,427	195,990	196,490
RESOURCES EXPENDED				
Annual Conference expenses	62,244	-	62,244	69,495
Staff costs	48,129	-	48,129	47,058
E-Library consultancy	4,555	-	4,555	23,551
Events, meeting and conference expenses	16,007	-	16,007	9,675
Wild Law conference expenditure	5,165	-	5,165	8,644
Influencing support	8,278	-	8,278	9,760
Membership fees & expenses	11,021	-	11,021	8,432
Fundraising	294	-	294	12,279
Website	3,082	-	3,082	2,990
Training	2,298	-	2,298	1,263
Travel expenses	1,208	-	1,208	2,057
Office costs	8,355	-	8,355	7,089
Student placement support	1,687	-	1,687	1,650
Fees payable to Independent examiner:				
Accounts preparation and assurance	2,520	-	2,520	2,233
Advice and assistance	71	-	71	-
Book-keeping and other professional fees	3,887	-	3,887	4,696
Sundry expenses	1,925	-	1,925	1,424
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED	180,726	-	180,726	212,296
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	3,837	11,427	15,264	(15,806)
Net gains/(losses) on investments	(60)	-	(60)	(396)
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	3,777	11,427	15,204	(16,202)
TOTAL FUNDS AT 31 DECEMBER 2009	89,755	18,228	107,983	124,185
TOTAL FUNDS AT 31 DECEMBER 2010	£ 93,532	£ 29,655	£ 123,187	£ 107,983

NOTE

Details of the Endowment Fund are given in Note 9.

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BALANCE SHEET
As at 31 December 2010

	Notes	£	2010 £	£	2009 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Investments	4		31,302		31,362
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	7	8,150		455	
Cash at bank and in hand		108,213		94,594	
		<u>116,363</u>		<u>95,049</u>	
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	8	(24,478)		(18,428)	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			91,885		76,621
NET ASSETS/TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			<u>£ 123,187</u>		<u>£ 107,983</u>
FUNDS					
Lord Nathan Memorial Fund for the Environment:					
Expendable endowment fund	9		29,655		18,228
Designated fund	9		20,000		20,000
General fund (unrestricted)	9		73,532		69,755
			<u>£ 123,187</u>		<u>£ 107,983</u>

For the year ended 31 December 2010 the Charity was entitled to exemption under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The Council of Management's responsibilities:

- (i) The members have not required the Charity to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476;
- (ii) The Council of Management acknowledges its responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008). They were approved, and authorised for issue, by the Council of Management on 5 May 2011 and signed on its behalf by:-

MARK BRUMWELL, Chair

ANDREW WISEMAN, Acting Treasurer

The annexed notes form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For the year ended 31 December 2010

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are set out below, have remained unchanged from the previous year and have been consistently applied.

Basis of preparation of the financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008), the Companies Act 2006, the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP), "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" published in March 2005 and applicable accounting standards.

Company status

The Charity is a company limited by guarantee. In the event of the Charity being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the Charity.

Incoming resources

Annual subscriptions, which are payable on 1 January and run for a calendar year, are recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities evenly over the calendar year provided that they are received before the financial year-end. Subscriptions received for that calendar year after the year-end are taken to income wholly in the following financial year. Subscriptions received for the following calendar year are carried forward in the accounts as deferred income. Conference income is recognised in the accounting year in which the conference is held.

Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for gross and when incurred except for conference expenditure which is recognised at the time that the conference concerned is held.

Investments

Investments are stated at market value at the balance sheet date. The Statement of Financial Activities includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluations and disposals throughout the year.

2. COUNCIL OF MANAGEMENT

None of the members of the Council of Management (2009 - same), who are the directors for company law purposes and the trustees for charity law purposes, received any remuneration from the Charity (2009 - same). During the year 6 members of the Council of Management (2009 - 6) were reimbursed travel and subsistence expenses totalling £1,240 (2009 - £1,444).

3 RESTRICTED INCOME

Other income for 2010 included a £1,500 donation from The Matrix Causes Fund to fund the final report of the Review of Environmental Law project which is expected to be expended in the course of 2011 or early in 2012.

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4 INVESTMENTS	2010	<i>2009</i>
	£	£
Cost		-
At 1 January 2010	31,362	-
Additions	-	31,758
Unrealised gain/ (loss)	(60)	<i>(396)</i>
At 31 December 2010	<u>£ 31,302</u>	<u><i>£ 31,362</i></u>

Investments represent UK Government bonds dated between 2012 and 2014.

5. STAFF COSTS	2010	<i>2009</i>
	£	£
Gross salaries	42,582	<i>31,200</i>
Employer's National Insurance	5,547	<i>2,896</i>
	<u>48,129</u>	<u><i>34,096</i></u>
Freelance fees and expenses	-	<i>12,962</i>
	<u>£ 48,129</u>	<u><i>£ 47,058</i></u>

Staffing of the Charity is provided by the Executive Director and Member Support Officer who were employed from April 2009. Before that the Charity engaged staff on a freelance basis.

6. OFFICE COSTS	2010	<i>2009</i>
	£	£
Photocopying, printing, stationery & mailing	2,284	<i>2,513</i>
Telephone and fax	2,408	<i>1,498</i>
Insurance	1,035	<i>1,140</i>
Bank charges	2,628	<i>1,938</i>
	<u>£ 8,355</u>	<u><i>£ 7,089</i></u>

7. DEBTORS	2010	<i>2009</i>
	£	£
Prepayments	8,150	-
Accrued income	-	<i>455</i>
	<u>£ 8,150</u>	<u><i>£ 455</i></u>

8. CREDITORS	2010	<i>2009</i>
Amounts falling due within one year	£	£
Trade creditors	5,842	<i>3,814</i>
Other taxes and social security costs (PAYE and NI)	3,574	<i>3,421</i>
Accruals	2,896	<i>2,233</i>
Deferred income (see below)	12,166	<i>8,960</i>
	<u>£ 24,478</u>	<u><i>£ 18,428</i></u>

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	2010	2009
	£	£
Movements in deferred income		
Balance at 1 January 2010	8,960	4,605
Amount released to incoming resources	(8,960)	(4,605)
Subscription income deferred in the year	8,506	8,960
Events income deferred in the year	3,660	-
Balance at 31 December 2010	<u>£ 12,166</u>	<u>£ 8,960</u>

9. SUMMARY OF FUNDS AND LORD NATHAN MEMORIAL FUND FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

In 2008 the Council established the Lord Nathan Memorial Fund for the Environment in two parts. £20,000 was transferred into a designated fund and donations as shown below were received into an expendable endowment fund. The purpose of the fund, which celebrates the work of Lord Nathan as a past president of the Charity, is to pay for the development and upkeep of a public information website "The Law and Your Environment". All interest income to the fund were fully expended on this purpose during the year.

	2010	2009
	£	£
Designated fund		
Brought forward	20,000	-
Transfer from General fund	-	20,000
Designated fund c/f	<u>£ 20,000</u>	<u>£ 20,000</u>
Expendable endowment fund		
Brought forward	18,228	810
Donations received in the year	11,427	17,418
Expendable endowment fund c/f	<u>£ 29,655</u>	<u>£ 18,228</u>
Total Lord Nathan Memorial Fund for the Environment	<u>£ 49,655</u>	<u>£ 38,228</u>

Both designated fund and endowment fund are represented by money in the bank.

SUMMARY OF FUNDS

	Brought Forward	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Transfers and investment gains/(losses)	Carried Forward
	£	£	£	£	£
Designated fund	20,000	-	-	-	20,000
General fund	<u>69,755</u>	<u>184,563</u>	<u>(180,726)</u>	<u>(60)</u>	<u>73,532</u>
	89,755	184,563	(180,726)	(60)	93,532
Endowment fund	18,228	11,427	-	-	29,655
	<u>£ 107,983</u>	<u>£ 195,990</u>	<u>£ (180,726)</u>	<u>£ (60)</u>	<u>£ 123,187</u>