THE ROYAL NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR DEAF PEOPLE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2002

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

The Board of Trustees of The Royal National Institute for Deaf People ("RNID") present their annual report together with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2002.

CHARITIES STATEMENT OF RECOMMENDED PRACTICE (SORP) 2000

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with relevant accounting standards. For the first time, they conform to the SORP 2000 guidelines, in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP), "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" published in October 2000. This is explained under the accounting policies note on page 15.

OBJECTS AND PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES OF THE CHARITY

RNID is a charitable company limited by guarantee and was set up on 14 May 1948. It is governed by a Memorandum and Articles of Association which were last amended on 1 November 2001. Its objects are to promote and encourage the prevention and mitigation of deafness and to safeguard and protect the interests and welfare of deaf and hard of hearing people. The principal activities to achieve these objects are campaigning, provision of specialist care services and projects, research and partnerships with others.

ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE AND GOVERNANCE

The Board of Trustees is responsible for the overall governance of RNID. The total number of Trustees permitted to sit on RNID's Board of Trustees may not exceed eighteen. Trustees are either elected or co-opted. Nine Trustees are elected directly by individual members and three by organisational members. Elected Trustees may remain in office for three years but may not serve more than three consecutive full terms. Co-opted Trustees are appointed by the Board of Trustees and serve for terms determined by the Board at the time of their co-option.

RNID's Chief Executive is responsible for the day to day management of RNID's affairs and implementing policies agreed by the Board of Trustees. The Chief Executive is assisted by a group of executives and senior managers.

There are two wholly owned subsidiaries of RNID: RNID Activities Limited and Sound Advantage Limited.

RNID Activities Limited carries out non-charitable trading activities for RNID and during the financial year made a satisfactory operating profit of £16,633. RNID Activities Limited donates all of its taxable profits to RNID.

Sound Advantage Limited is a dormant company.

TRUSTEES

Effective partnership between Trustees and staff continues to contribute significantly to our success. To ensure that Trustees' roles and responsibilities are carried out effectively, each has portfolio interests which require them to have an understanding and a responsibility for specific aspects of RNID's work.

Trustees are required to meet at least five times per year. These meetings include four quarterly Board meetings and one weekend meeting where Trustees review RNID's strategy and performance and set operating plans and budgets.

The Board may delegate any of its powers or refer any of its functions in connection with the management and administration of RNID to any permanent or ad-hoc Committee or Group made up of Trustees and other individuals. Groups and Committees report directly to the Board and each has its decisions ratified by the full Board.

Audit Committee

The Audit Committee comprises Trustees and other advisors that are independent of management and free of any relationship that in the opinion of the Board of Trustees would interfere with the exercise of independent judgement as members of the Audit Committee. The Audit Committee is responsible for Risk Assessment, Risk Management and Internal Control and meets quarterly.

Investment Committee

The Investment Committee comprises Trustees and other advisors who meet quarterly to review the strategy, policy and management of the investment portfolio held by RNID. The committee instructs relevant fund managers to implement changes in investment policy and to ensure proper procedures are in place to manage cash resources prudently, and to maximise income from liquid resources whilst maintaining sufficient funds to meet daily cash requirement. The Investment Committee advises the Board of Trustees on the appropriate level of free reserves and any significant change in investment strategy.

Advisory Groups

RNID has established Advisory Groups in Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland. Each Group comprises representatives elected by RNID members resident in the relevant country and a number of co-opted members. The composition of the Group will reflect national agendas and at least half of the representatives will be deaf or hard of hearing. Each Advisory Group is tasked with long term planning for their country and advises the Board of Trustees on local priorities and issues.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES AND CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The Trustees are responsible for their annual report and the preparation of financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the incoming resources and application of those resources of the charitable group during the year, and of its state of affairs at the end of the year. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- ensure that suitable accounting policies are in place and applied consistently;
- · make judgements and estimates which are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statement of recommended accounting practices have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees have overall responsibility for ensuring that the Charity has appropriate systems and controls, financial and otherwise. They are also responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities and to provide reasonable assurance that:

- The charity is operating efficiently and effectively;
- Its assets are safeguarded against unauthorised use or disposition:
- Proper records are maintained and financial information used within the charity or for publication is reliable;
- · The charity complies with the relevant laws and regulations.

Internal controls over all forms of commitment and expenditure continue to be refined to improve efficiency. Processes are in place to ensure that performance is monitored and that management information is prepared and reviewed regularly by both the management and the Trustees. A programme of internal audits is in place, derived from a comprehensive risk assessment.

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

- · A strategic plan and annual budget approved by the Trustees;
- Regular consideration by the Trustees of financial results, variance from budgets, nonfinancial performance indicators and benchmarking reviews;
- Delegation of authority and segregation of duties; and
- Identification and management of risks.

RISK MANAGEMENT

The Trustees have introduced a formal risk management process to assess business risks and implement risk management strategies. This has involved identifying the types of risks the charity faces, prioritising them in terms of potential impact and likelihood of occurrence, and identifying means of mitigating the risks. As part of this process the Trustees have reviewed the adequacy of the charity's current internal controls.

In addition the Trustees have:

- · Set policies on internal controls which cover the following:
 - Consideration of the type of risks the charity faces;
 - o The level of risks they regard as acceptable;
 - o The likelihood of the risks concerned materialising;
 - The charity's ability to reduce the incidence and impact on the organisation of risks that do not materialise; and
 - o The costs of operating particular controls relative to the benefits obtained;
- Included procedures for reporting failings immediately to appropriate levels of management and the Trustees together with details of corrective action being undertaken.

REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES

RNID's vision is of a world where deafness and hearing loss are not barriers to opportunity and fulfilment. During the year, RNID continued to realise its vision through campaigns, services, research and partnerships, as follows:

- Campaigns:
 - o Hearing aids and audiology;
 - o Education;
 - Sub-titling;
 - o Disability Rights;
- Core services:
 - o Employment, learning and skills;
 - o Communication;
 - Specialist care and projects;
 - o Information;
- Research:
 - o Bio-medical and technical;
 - o Telecommunications;
- Partnerships:
 - o Government departments;
 - o Other charities; and
 - o Many businesses and organisations.

Full details of the charity's activities, achievements during the year and aims for the coming year are set out in RNID's annual report, the "Impact Report 2001/2".

RESULTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2002

The Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA), set out on page 12, is designed to reflect all income received in the year irrespective of when it is spent. Total incoming resources increased by 3.3% to £41.7m and direct charitable expenditure increased by 6.9% to £40.1m. Total resources expended of £44.2m (2001 £41.6m) resulted in a net outflow of £2.5m (2001 outflow of £1.2m). After taking into account realised and unrealised losses on investments, total fund balances reduced by £2.8m (2001 reduction of £1.3m) to £17.1m (2001 £19.9m).

During the financial year:

 RNID met or exceeded all its major objectives aimed at having a significant positive impact on deaf and hard of hearing people's lives in the UK (see separate RNID Impact Report 2001/2 for full analysis).

Financially:

- legacy income increased from £6.9m to £7.3m.
- income generated through voluntary donations and unrestricted grants fell from £5.5m to £5.1m.

- expenditure on Care Services increased from £9.1m to £10.4m;
- expenditure on Communication Services increased from £3.8m to £4.3m;
- expenditure on Employment Services increased from £1.4m to £2.0m;
- expenditure on RNID Typetalk reduced from £11.8m to £10.1m, reflecting further
 reduction in demand for the services as customers move over to new technology such as
 SMS messaging and the Internet. This decline was anticipated. RNID continues to
 review the ways the relay service can better meet the changing demands of its customer
 base, such as TextDirect.

RESERVES

Free reserves available for use by RNID are deemed to be those funds that can be raised from assets that are readily realisable, less funds whose uses are restricted. The calculation thus excludes property and other fixed assets used in the day-to-day running of RNID.

As a policy, each year, the Trustees review the value of the reserves required to be held in investments, cash and cash equivalents, which are not restricted to any particular purpose. They consider RNID's exposure to significant loss of income and unforeseen expenditure, which cannot be offset by executive action, and the degree of risk ascribed to each such event is assessed.

With income, the major risk is declining voluntary income particularly due to an economic/stock market downturn or other factors leading to both declining legacy values and reduced donations.

The maintenance of tight budgetary control has reduced the risk of over-expenditure in any one financial year. It is not RNID policy to embark on major initiatives without committed funding.

The present target range for free reserves is £4.75m - £5.75m. At the year end, free reserves were £6.1m, slightly above the range. However, the Trustees have conducted their annual review of the level of reserves and consider that it is appropriate, given the current volatility in the stock market and general economic conditions. They are satisfied that the reserves are adequate to support the present level of activity and forecast growth shown in RNID's three year plan.

Free Reserves at the year end	2002	2001
	£'000	£'000
Total unrestricted funds Less: tangible fixed assets and long-term	15,042	16,506
Liabilities (see note 14)	(8,941)	(9,197)
	6,101	7,309
Represented by: - investments - current assets - current liabilities	4,567 5,584 (4,050)	5,575 4,051 (2,317)
	6,101	7,309

INVESTMENT POLICY AND PERFORMANCE

The investment committee reviews and determines the strategy, policy and management of investment portfolios for RNID on behalf of the Board. The present investment policy is to maximise the long term total return of RNID's investment funds subject to the risks normally associated with a balanced approach to portfolio management. The performance of the funds

is measured against the FTSE All Share Index and other relevant indices. The total return for the year ending 31 March 2002 was 0.6% which compared favourably with growth in the benchmark indices of 0.1%.

STAFF

Staff are RNID's primary asset. There is a large range of personnel policies in place. These are published on the charity's intranet (e-connect) and are regularly updated in line with new legislation and following annual policy reviews. The Equal Opportunities Policy incorporates the policy on disabled employees. There is a clear policy of employee communications.

During the year employees receive information about RNID through regular staff meetings, briefings and via e-connect, with staff being encouraged to give their suggestions and views on RNID's performance. The training needs of employees are continually assessed as part of the annual appraisal and supervision processes, and training programmes are provided to meet these ongoing needs. RNID holds the prestigious "Investor in People" award reflecting the organisation's ongoing commitment to develop its staff. RNID is concerned to maintain an efficient ratio of administrative staff to other staff. Central administration and finance staff presently comprise less than 5% of the total.

EMPLOYING DEAF, HARD OF HEARING AND DISABLED PEOPLE

As a major disability charity, RNID is continuing to work towards equal opportunities and is committed to a policy of recruitment and promotion on the basis of aptitude and ability without discrimination. Management pursues both the employment of disabled people whenever a suitable vacancy arises and the continued employment and retraining of employees who become disabled whilst employed by RNID.

Particular attention is given to the training, career development and promotion of deaf, hard of hearing and other disabled employees with a view to encouraging them to play an active role in developing the organisation. The number of deaf and hard of hearing people employed by RNID at the end of the financial year was a total of 127. This represents nearly 31% of all employees, excluding those such as RNID Typetalk and telephone operators, care staff or interpreters whose hearing ability is fundamental to their ability to help RNID's deaf clients.

THE FUTURE

The Trustees believe that RNID has a sound financial basis upon which to build for the future, and they will continue to strengthen RNID's campaigning and research activities, and develop existing services yet further to reach even more deaf and hard of hearing people.

REGISTRATION AND LEGAL SYSTEM

The Royal National Institute for Deaf People is a charity registered with the charity commission in England and Wales (No. 207720) and is a company limited by guarantee (No. 454169). Its governing instruments are its Memorandum of Association and Articles of Association adopted on 28 October 1992 and last amended on 1 November 2001. Its registered office is situated at 19 – 23 Featherstone Street, London, EC1Y 8SL.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Trustees have been either elected, co-opted or appointed in accordance with the Memorandum and Articles of Association.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

David Livermore, Chairman
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INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

Peter Cruttenden* David Livermore

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David Adams (from 1st Nov 2001)*
Penny Beschizza*
Vasant Shend'ge
Huw Vaughan Thomas (to 1st Nov 2001)*
Jenny White MBE (to 21st Feb 2002)

¹ Michael Bishop, previously co-opted as a Trustee then elected as an Individual Trustee, was appointed Vice Chairman to the Board upon Jane Wilmot's retirement from office at the AGM on 1st November 2001.

Executive Officers

(as at 30 July 2002)

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Director of Communications

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BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

David Livermore

The Royal National Institute for Deaf People 19-23 Featherstone Street London EC1Y 8SL

30 July 2002

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE ROYAL NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR DEAF PEOPLE

We have audited the financial statements of The Royal National Institute for Deaf People for the year ended 31 March 2002 which comprise the Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities, the Charity and Consolidated Balance Sheets, the Consolidated Cash Flow Statement and the related notes. These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of certain fixed assets and the accounting policies set out therein.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and auditors

The responsibilities of the Trustees, who are also the directors for the purposes of company law, for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards are set out in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and United Kingdom Auditing Standards.

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, Trustees Annual Report is not consistent with the financial statements, if the charitable company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding directors' remuneration and transactions with the charitable company is not disclosed.

We read other information contained in the Trustees' Annual Report and consider whether it is consistent with the audited financial statements. We consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements or material inconsistencies with the financial statements. Our responsibilities do not extend to any other information.

Basis of opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with United Kingdom Auditing Standards 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 judgments made by the Trustees in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the charitable company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance as to whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement, 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.

Unqualified opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and the group as at 31 March 2002 and of their incoming resources and application of resources, including the group's income and expenditure, for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Horwath Clark Whitehill

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors 30 July 2002

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2002

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totał Funds 2002	Restated Total Funds 2001
		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
INCOME & EXPENDITURE					
Voluntary Income				- 436	5 464
Donations, gifts and unrestricted grants Legacies		5,124 7,251		5,124 7,251	5,464 6,856
Activities in furtherance of the charity objects:			3.450	2.450	1 904
Grants RNIO Typetalk			3,150 9,230	3,150 9,230	1,894 10,737
RNID Sound Advantage		2,731	•	2,731	2,363
Fees - RNID Care Services		8,697	-	8,697 3,008	8,168 2,552
 Communication Services & Training Campaigns & Information Services 		3,008 607	-	3,008 607	2,552 409
- Disability and Deaf Awareness		-	•		
Training & Consultancy		641	-	641	564 374
Membership		501	•	501	3/4
Activities for generating funds :	2	512		512	595
Investment & Other Income RNID Activities Limited	7	52	•	52	330
Color diseased afficiated assesses		177	_	177	51
Gain on disposal of freehold property Total incoming resources		29,301	12,380	41,681	40,357
RESOURCES EXPENDED		- "			
Cost of generating funds:					
Fundraising costs	4	4,066	•	4,066	3,789
RNID Activities Limited Investment Management Fees	4 4	35 31	-	35 31	289 29
mvestment management rees	7	4,132	-	4,132	4,107
Net incoming resources available for charitable a	pplication	25,169	12,380	37,549	36,250
Charitable Expenditure:					
Costs of activities in furtherance of the charity's					
objects:			40.427	40.437	11 002
RNID Typetalk	4 4	2,713	10,127	10,127 2,713	11,802 2,420
RNID Sound Advantage RNID Care Services	4	9,536	838	10,374	9,104
Communication Services & Training	4	3,405	923	4,328	3,810
Employment Services	4	1,018	941	1,959 4,792	1,392 4,912
Campaigns & Information Services Disability and Deaf Awareness	4	4,206	586	4,792	4,712
Training & Consultancy	4	2,226		2,226	1,799
Policy & Research	4 4	2,107 883	273	2,380 883	1,315 736
Membership	4	865	-	0.00	,,,,
Management & Administration	4	290		290	195
		26,384	13,688	40,072	37,485
Total resources used		30,516	13,688	44,204	41,592
Net outgoing before investment gains/losses Realised gains and losses on investments		(1,215) (164)	(1,308)	(2,523) (164)	(1,235) 134
Deficit for the year		(1,379)	(1,308)	(2,687)	(1,101)
Other recognised gains and losses					4. a
Unrealised losses on investments		(85)	(1,308)	(85)	(245)
Net movement in funds		(1,464)			
Balances brought forward as previously stated		15,737	3,379	19,116	20,493
Prior year adjustment	16	769	-	769	738
Balances brought forward (as restated)		16,506	3,379	19,885	21,231
Balances carried forward at end of year		15,042	2,071	17,113	19,885

The notes on pages 15 to 24 form part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2002

			Group		e d		Charity			
	Note	200	2002		Restated 2001		2002		Restated 2001	
		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£,000	
Fixed assets			,							
Tangible assets	8		10,463		11,032		10,463		11,032	
Investments	9		4,567		5,575		4,567		5,575	
		_	15,030	-	16,607	_	15,030	-	16,607	
Current assets			•							
Stocks	10	573		590		573		587		
Debtors Cash at bank and short term	11	4,759		4,018		4,759		4,014		
deposits		1,421		1,634		1,435		1,674		
Creditors	,	6,753	-	6,242		6,767		6,275		
Amounts falling due										
within one year	12	4,407		2,694		4,421		2,690		
Net current assets			2,346		3,548		2,346		3,585	
Total assets less current (iabilities		_	17,376		20,155	-	17,376	_	20,192	
Cur dia										
Creditors Amounts falling due after										
more than one year	13		263		270		263		270	
		_	17,113	•	19,885	_	17,113	_	19,922	
Funds		-		•		_				
Unrestricted funds (includes Revaluation Reserves of £67,938)			15,042		16,506		15,042		16,543	
Restricted funds	15		2,071		3,379		2,071		3,379	
		_	17,113		19,885	-	17,113	_	19,922	

These financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 30 July 2002

David Livermore Chairman Peter Cruttenden Honorary Treasurer

The notes on pages 15 to 24 form part of these financial statements.

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CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2002

	Note	200	2	200	1
		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Net cash outflow from operating activities	19		(1,069)		(1,176)
Returns on investments and servicing of finance					
Interest paid		(10)		-	
Interest received		74		125	
Interest element of finance lease and hire purchase rental payments		(52)		(66)	
Dividends received		212		327	
Net cash inflow from returns on investments and servicing of finance			224		386
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Capital expenditure and financial investment					
Purchase of property		(160)		(338)	
Purchase of other tangible fixed assets		(507)		(483)	
Sales of property and other tangible fixed assets Purchase of fixed asset investments		251 (1,436)		122 (1,983)	
Sale of fixed asset investments		2,703		3,553	
Cash inflow outflow for capital expenditure and financial investment			851		871
		_		_	
Net cash inflow before financing			6		81
Financing					
Capital element of finance lease and hire					
purchase rental payments		(219)		(197)	
Net cash outflow from financing			(219)		(197)
Decrease in cash	20	_	(213)	-	(116)
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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2002

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the inclusion of investments at market value and in accordance with applicable accounting standards. In preparing the financial statements the charity follows best practice as set out in the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (SORP) issued in October 2000. Certain prior year comparatives have been restated to reflect the impact of SORP 2000.

The group accounts consolidate the accounts of the Charity and all its subsidiary trading companies. As provided by s.230 of the Companies Act 1985, no separate income & expenditure account is presented for the Charity. The Charity's deficit for the financial year of £2,687,000 (2001 restated deficit - £1,101,000) is the same as the group result as the subsidiaries' profits are remitted to the Charity under gift aid regulations.

Income and expenditure - All incoming resources are included in the SOFA when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable certainty. For legacies, entitlement is established once the charity been notified of an impending distribution.

All resources expended are accounted for gross, when incurred. Direct charitable expenditure includes the direct costs of the activities and depreciation on related assets. Where such costs relate to more than one functional cost category, they have been apportioned as a percentage of staff employed on the relevant service.

Tangible fixed assets - Properties are valued at cost, or valuation at the time of receipt when acquired without consideration, less sale proceeds of part disposals plus expenditure of a capital nature.

Depreciation - Depreciation is provided to write off the cost, less estimated residual values, of all fixed assets on a straight line basis over their expected useful lives at the following annual rates:

Improvements to freehold and long leasehold properties Short leasehold properties Fixtures, fittings & furniture Computer equipment Other equipment	4% over lease term 20% 33% 20%
Motor vehicles	20%

With the exception of short leaseholds, no depreciation was provided on the original purchase cost of properties in previous years as the trustees considered that the lives of the assets and their residual values were such that depreciation was not material.

As required by FRS 15, the trustees have reassessed the useful lives and residual values of the properties and from this year the acquisition cost or subsequent valuations are written off over the useful lives to a maximum of 50 years. This change does not require a prior period adjustment under FRS15.

For the purposes of depreciation, long leasehold buildings have been treated as if they are freehold buildings. No depreciation is provided on freehold land.

Investments - Investments are shown in the balance sheet at market value. Surpluses or deficits on valuation and sales of investments are credited or charged to the SOFA.

Stocks - Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Net realisable value is based on estimated selling price less further costs to completion and disposal.

Leasing and hire purchase - Assets obtained under finance leases and hire purchase contracts are capitalised in the balance sheet and are depreciated over their useful lives.

The interest element of the rental obligations is charged to the SOFA over the period of the lease and represents a constant proportion of the balance of capital repayments outstanding.

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the SOFA on a straight line basis over the lease term.

Pension costs - Contributions to RNID's defined benefit pension scheme are charged to the SOFA so as to spread the cost of pensions over employees' working lives within RNID.

The cost of the employer's contributions to RNID's defined contribution scheme, which commenced 1 October 2001, have been charged to the SOFA as they become payable under the rules of the scheme. Details required as a result of the transitional arrangements of FRS 17, together with further details on pensions costs are given in Note 18.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2002

2. INVESTMENT AND OTHER INCOME

	2002	2001
	£'000	f'000
Income from listed investments - UK	212	327
- Non UK		
	212	327
Interest received	74	125
Realised profit on disposal of functional fixed assets	-	6
Sundry income	226	137
	512	595

3. NET OUTGOING RESOURCES FOR YEAR

This is stated after charging:

	2002	2001
	£'000	£'000
Interest payable :		
- bank loans and overdrafts wholly repayable within five years	10	-
- finance leases and hire purchase contracts	52	66
Depreciation	1,345	1,415
Payments under operating leases:		
- land and buildings	285	285
- other	392	460
Auditors' remuneration :		
- audit	35	45
 other services (provided by previous auditors) 	28	30

4. ANALYSIS OF TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED

	Staff costs	Other	Depreciation	Total 2002	Total 2001
	£'000	£,000	£'000	£,000	£'000
Cost of generating funds:					
Fundraising costs	1,608	2,450	8	4.066	3,789
RNID Activities Limited	2,000	35		35	289
Investment Management Fees	-	31	_	31	29
my council, management y ces	1,608	2,516	8	4,132	4,107
Charitable Expenditure:	2,002				1,107
Costs of activities in furtherance of the charity's objects:					
RNID Typetalk	6,507	3,225	395	10,127	11,802
RNID Sound Advantage	502	2,196	15	2,713	2,420
RNID Care Services	7,222	2,531	621	10,374	9,104
Communication Services & Training	2,441	1,869	18	4,328	3,810
Employment Services	1,162	741	56	1,959	1,392
Campaigns & Information Services	2,607	2,044	141	4,792	4,912
Disability and Deaf Awareness	ŕ			•	•
Training & Consultancy	1,119	1,038	69	2,226	1,799
Policy & Research	1,119	1,241	20	2,380	1,315
Membership	343	538	2	883	736
Management & Administration	6	284	-	290	195
	23,028	15,707	1,337	40,072	37,485
Total resources used	24,636	18,223	1,345	44,204	41,592

5. EMPLOYEES

				2002	2001
				£'000	£'000
Staff costs consist of :					
Wages and salaries				21,923	19,980
Social security costs				1, 44 6	1,437
Pension costs				1,267	1,028
				24,636	22,445
The average monthly number of employee	es on full time equivalent b	asis during t	he year was 1,023 (Rev	ised 2001 - 1,022)	
No. of employees receiving	£50,001	to	£60,000	5	6
	£60,001	to	£70,000	3	2
	£90,001	to	£100,000	-	1
	£100,001	to	£110,000	1	-

All nine employees are in the pension scheme at a cost to RNID of £75,622

6. TRUSTEES REMUNERATION

None of the members of the Board of Trustees received any remuneration during this year or last year. During the year, 13 Trustees (2001 - 7) received reimbursements of non-private travel and subsistence expenditure amounting to £12,194 (2001 - £8,242).

During the year, insurance was purchased to indemnify the Trustees against default on their part, for a premium of £2,363 (2001 - £2,363).

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7. SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES

RNID owns 100% of the issued share capital of two subsidiary companies. The associated cost had been written off in prior years.

RNID Activities Limited
Sound Advantage Limited (dormant)

RNID Activities Limited is a trading subsidiary of the charity handling fundraising events, retailing Christmas cards and other similar products.

A summary of the trading results for the year ended 31 March 2002 is shown below:

	2002	2001
	£'000	£'000
Turnover	52	330
Cost of sales	(31)	(288)
Gross profit	21	42
Administrative expenses	(4)	(1)
Operating profit for the financial year	17	41
Gift Aid donation to RNID	(17)	(36)
Profit for the year	-	5
Balance brought forward at beginning of year	-	(5)
Balance carried forward at end of year	-	-
Net Assets at 31 March 2002	<u> </u>	

8. TANGIBLE ASSETS

Group and Charity

PROPERTY

OTHER FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold	Long leasehold	Short leasehold	TOTAL Property	Fixtures, fittings & furniture	Computer equipment	Other equipment	Motor vehicles	TOTAL Other	GRAND TOTAL
	£'000	f'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	f'000	£'000	£'000
Cost or valuation										
At 1 April 2001 Additions Disposals	9,337 160 -	48	2,457 - -	11,842 160	1,957 31 •	3,039 423	1,955 53 (161)	778 183 (95)	7,729 690 (256)	19,571 850 (256)
At 31 March 2002	9,497	48	2,457	12,002	1,988	3,462	1,847	866	8,163	20,165
Depreciation At 1 April 2001 Charge for year Disposals	1,026 268 -	1	1,134 267 -	2,160 536	1,614 118	2,707 397	1,636 139 (99)	422 155 (83)	6,379 809 (182)	8,539 1,345 (182)
At 31 March 2002	1,294	1	1,401	2,696	1,732	3,104	1,676	494	7,006	9,702
Net Book Value										
At 31 March 2002	8,203	47	1,056	9,306	256	358	171	372	1,157	10,463
At 31 March 2001	8,311	48	1,323	9,682	343	332	319	356	1,350	11,032

The net book value of tangible fixed assets includes an amount of £321,725 (2001 - £358,606) in respect of assets held under finance leases and hire purchase contracts. Total depreciation charged on these assets during the year amounted to £108,483 (2001 - £166,641)

Major non-cash transactions

During the year, RNID entered into finance leases and hire purchase arrangements in respect of assets with a total capital value at inception of £182,394 (2001 - £175,831).

9. FIXED MOSEL INVESTIGATION	9.	FIXED	ASSET	INVESTMENTS
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Group and Charity		
	2002	2001
•	£'000	£,000
Value of investment portfolio b/f	5,575	7,193
Purchases	1,436	1,983
Legacy Shares	508	63
Disposal Proceeds	(2,703)	(3,553)
Net Investments loss	(249)	(111)
Market value at 31 March 2002	4,567	5,575
Represented by:		
Listed securities:		
UK investments	4,567	5,575

Included in the market value are the following individual investments which represent more than 5% by value of the total fund. These investments are held directly except for the holding in Charinco Common Investment Fund.

	£'000	£'000
33 KWS Growth and Recovery Inc	303	388
British Petroleum Amoco Ord	248	305
Charinco Common Investment Fund	1,487	1,952

10. STOCKS

·	Grou	o	Char	ity
	2002	2001	2002	2001
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Equipment and publications	573	590	573	587

The replacement cost of stock is not materially different from that stated above.

11. DEBTORS	Grou	Charity		
	2002	2001	2002	2001
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Debtors Prepayments	4,496 263	3,828 190	4,496 263	3,824 190
	4,759	4,018	4,759	4,014
Included above are amounts receivable after more than one year: Loans to local deaf societies	49	54	49	54

12. CREDITORS : AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR				
	Group		Charity	
	2002	2001	2002	2001
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Creditors for taxation and social security	672	459 106	672 167	459
Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts Other creditors	167 2,188	196 1,231	2,188	196 1,223
Amounts due from group undertaking	-,	-,	32	4
Accruals	1,380	808	1,362	808
	4,407_	2,694	4,421	2,690
13. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR Group and Charity	2002	2001		
	£'000	£'000		
Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts	148	155		
Long-term loan	115	115		
	263	270		
Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts are due as (follows:			
	2002	2001		
	£'000	£'000		
Within 2-5 years	148	155		

Details of the long-term loan are as follows:

In 1981, with the consent of the Charity Commissioners, funds amounting to £114,929 from the Tower House and the Bath Homes for the Deaf were used to finance a project at RNID Poolemead. This amount, which is non-interest bearing, is repayable after 60 years. To finance this repayment a sinking fund has been set up in which an amount of £427 is invested annually in accumulative shares of the Charities Official Investment Fund

14. ANALYSIS OF GROUP NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2002	Total Funds 2001
Fund balances at 31 March 2002 are represented by:	£'000	£'000	£'000	£,000
Tangible fixed assets	9,204	1,259	10,463	11,032
Investments	4,567	•	4,567	5,575
Current assets	5,584	1,169	6,753	6,242
Current liabilities	(4,050)	(357)	(4,407)	(2,694)
Long-term liabilities	(263)	-	(263)	(270)
Total net assets	15,042	2,071	17,113	19,885

15. RESTRICTED FUNDS

Group and Charity

	Balance 1 April 2001	Incoming Resources	Expenditure, Gains, Losses & Transfers	Balance 31 March 2002
	£'000	£¹000	£'000	£'000
RNID Typetalk	1,889	9,230	(10,127)	992
Redbridge Sensory Services Centre	72	•	(13)	59
P G Harlowe Trust	55	-		55
Other	1,363	3,150	(3,548)	965
Totals	3,379	12,380	(13,688)	_2,071

Included within "Other" are 60 restricted funds with no individual fund having a closing balance greater than £50,000.

RNID Typetalk activities are fully funded by British Telecommunications Plc., helping to provide access to the telephone network for deaf and hard of hearing people.

Redbridge Sensory Services Centre is funded by the London Borough of Redbridge. This is a resource centre for people with sensory impairment.

The PG Harlowe Trust funds the education and training of a deaf accountancy student.

16. PRIOR YEAR ADJUSTMENT

In accordance with the requirements of SORP 2000 legacy income, which was previously recognised based on amounts received during the year, is now accounted for when the charity is notified of an impending distribution. As a result additional legacies totalling £769, 000 have been recognised in prior years including an additional £31,000 in the year to 31 March 2001.

17. COMMITMENTS UNDER OPERATING LEASES

Group and Charity

As at 31 March 2002, RNID had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as set out out below:

	2002		200	01
	Land and buildings £'000	Other £'000	Land and buildings £'000	Other £'000
Operating leases which expire: Within 1 year	74	68	26	66
In 2-5 years	72	100	76	64
After five years	133_	1	144	66
	279	169	246	196

18. PENSIONS

RNID operates a defined benefit pension scheme established under an irrevocable Deed of Trust for its employees. The assets of the scheme are held in a separate self-administered fund. The scheme is managed by trustees accountable to pension scheme members.

The scheme is valued every three years by independent consulting actuaries using the attained age method. The last valuation of the scheme, as at 1 October 2000, was updated to 31 March 2002 by a qualified independent actuary. The main assumptions used by the actuary at 31 March 2002 were (per annum):

Rate of increase in salaries Rate of increase of LPI pensions in payment Discount rate Inflation assumption	5.0% 3.0% 6.1% 3.0%
Equities Fixed interest Other	8.3% 5.8% 4.0%
The assets and liabilities of the schemes were:	
	£'000
Total market value of assets	20,877
Present value of liabilities	23,856
Deficit in the scheme	(2,979)

Contributions by employees (5%) and RNID (15.8%) have been maintained in accordance with the recommendation of the actuaries following the valuation at 1 October 2000. At the time it was confirmed that payment of contributions in accordance with the recommended rates was in excess of what was required to comply with the statutory requirement to restore the scheme's MFR funding level to 100% over the period the contribution rate is certified. The total charge to RNID for the year was £1,265,000 (2001: £1,028,000). At 31 March 2002, there was an amount of £167,892 owed to the scheme which was paid in April 2002. The defined benefit scheme was closed to new members on 1 October 2001.

A defined contribution scheme was established from 1 October 2001 for members of staff wishing to contribute. The cost for the period was £2,136 (2001:none). There were no outstanding or prepaid contributions at 31 March 2002.

At 31 March 2002 the trustees of the pension schemes were:

Mr P Cruttenden	Ms MI Watson
Mr R Eldridge	Ms K Wilson
Mrs C Pamphlett	Mr G Hipperson

19. RECONCILIATION OF NET OUTGOING RESOURCES TO NET CASH OUTFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

			2002	2001
			£'000	£'000
Net outgoing resources for the year Interest paid	•		(2,523) 10	(1,235)
Interest received			(74)	(125)
Interest element of finance lease rental payments			52	66
Dividends received			(212)	(327)
			(2,747)	(1,621)
Depreciation charge for year			1,345	1,415
Surplus on sale of fixed assets			(177)	(6)
Surplus on sale of freehold property			(-77)	(51)
. , ,			(508)	(63)
Decrease/(Increase) in stocks			17	(151)
Increase in debtors			(741)	(563)
Increase/(Decrease) in creditors			1,742	(874)
Net cash outflow from operating activities			(1,069)	(1,914)
20. RECONCILIATION OF NET CASH FLOW TO MOVEMENT II Decrease in cash in the year	NEI FUNDS		£'000 (213)	£'000
Cash outflow from decrease in lease financing			219	
Change in net funds resulting from cash flows New finance leases				6 (183)
Movement in net funds in the year Net funds at 1 April 2001				(177) 1,168
Net funds at 31 March 2002				991
21. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS				
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	At 1 April	Cash flows	Other	At 31 March
	2001 £'000	£'000	changes £'000	2002 £'000
	1 000	1 000	1 000	1.000
Cash at bank and in hand	1,634	(213)	-	1,421
Debt due after more than one year	(115)	-		(115)
Finance leases	(351)	219	(183)	(315)
	(466)	219	(183)	(430)
Total	1,168	6	(183)	991

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We are grateful to the following funders who have generously given the following grants and donations during the financial year.

	2002
COMMUNITY FUND	£
South East - Sound advice, Isle of Wight (Volunteers) Scotland - Outreach Information Officer	43,001
	49,168
West Midlands - Outreach Information Officer, (Birmingham) Wales - Outreach Information Officer	48,901
North Ireland - Outreach Information Officer	43,749
	39,987
England - Outreach Information Officer, London & South East	43,958
England - Legal Casework Unit	109,408
England - Videotelephony Interpreting Service	29,853
STATUTORY	
Dept of Social Services, New Deal (for Disabled People)	78,477
Dept of Health, S 64 Hearing Aid & Rehabilitation	38,100
Dept of Health, At the Edge of Change	24,000
Welsh Assembly Govt, RNID Cymru Development (S64 core funding)	44,000
The Basic Skills Agency, Action for inclusion	21,469
Scottish Executive, Counselling Support for Deaf Children and their families	87,739
Torfaen County Borough, Newport (Wales) Counselling Project	4,000
HEFCE, HE Innovations Fund (Head Start)	172,886
Scottish Enterprise, Grampians Careers Consortium (Aberdeen)	8,351
Home Office, National Volunteering Programme	39,491
Scottish Office, S9 Communication Services Training Programme	11,289
Northern Ireland DHSSPS core grant	23,575
NIVT, Community Group Project, Northern Ireland	25,134
Welsh Assembly Govt, Communities First	64,200
London Devt. Agency, GLA Campaign Video	60,065
IFI, Spanish Connection	2,965
Northern Health Social Services Board, Ballymena Office	5,000

Many other organisations, trusts, estates and individuals have given generously during the year and many deaf and hard of hearing people have benefited as a result. For this we are also very grateful.

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