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**OXFORD CENTRE FOR HEBREW AND JEWISH STUDIES**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
31 JULY 2010**

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Dr David Ariel

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## OXFORD CENTRE FOR HEBREW AND JEWISH STUDIES

### REPORT OF THE GOVERNORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2010

The Governors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 July 2010

#### **Objective of the Charity**

The principal activity of the Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies ('the Centre') is the advancement of research and education in the field of Hebrew and Jewish Studies. The Centre is sometimes referred to as "the Charity" in the accounts. A full review of the Centre's activities setting out the achievements of the Centre in meeting its objectives is contained in the separately published academic report for the academic year ending 30 September 2010.

#### **Organisational and decision-making structure**

All major decisions of the Centre are authorised by its Board of Governors which meets not less than three times each year. Other main decision making committees, which all report to the Board of Governors, are the Academic Advisory, Finance, Fund Raising and Library Committees.

#### **Charitable status and associated charity**

The Centre is a registered charity (no 309720) and has no liability to corporation tax on its charitable activities. The Centre is administered under its Memorandum and Articles of Association. The Centre is a company limited by guarantee and has no share capital. Each member undertakes to subscribe £1 in the event of a winding up of the company. The income and property of the Charity must be applied solely towards the promotion of the objectives of the Centre.

Accounting for The Yarnton Trust is included within the Centre's financial statements as authorised by the Uniting Direction dated 22 May 2008, however, the value of the individual funds within the Trust are detailed in the Notes to the Accounts (note 15).

#### **Operating locations**

Most of the full-time fellows teach and carry out research at the Hebrew and Jewish Studies Unit of the University of Oxford ('the Unit'). The Unit's premises are located in the Oriental Institute building in the centre of Oxford. At the Yarnton Manor campus, four miles from the centre of Oxford, accommodation, a major research library, teaching and administrative support are provided for the Centre's fellows and other teachers, visiting scholars and students. Numerous related academic activities occur during the year at both locations, including seminars, lectures and conferences. The Looted Art Research Unit is located in London.

#### **Investment powers**

Under paragraph 10 of the Memorandum of Association, the Centre has the power to invest money, not immediately required for its purposes, in or upon such investments, securities or property as the Governors think fit.

#### **Financial Review**

A statement of financial activities ('SOFA') for the year has been produced on page 7 showing movements on unrestricted, designated, restricted and endowment funds. The surplus for the year, shown on page 8 was £124,398 (2009 deficit of £474,011). Funds at the end of the year were £9,610,537 (2009 £8,707,399).

#### **Funds and reserves policy**

In accordance with the relevant SORP, the Centre's funds are shown in the SOFA and at the balance sheet date the Governors are aware of the Centre's need to source substantial new funding and have already put into place a robust fundraising strategy.

The Governors aim to build up its endowment reserves in order to produce more certain regular income for its activities.

**REPORT OF THE GOVERNORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2010 (Continued)**

At 31 July 2010, the Centre had a deficit on unrestricted reserves of £726,459 despite having total net reserves of £9,610,537. The Governors are aware of the continuing need to reduce this deficit further and plan to remedy this position through the following measures

- 1 New fundraising initiatives are being implemented by the appointment of a professional fundraiser with suitable experience
- 2 A continuation of the strict budgetary control over the Centre's operational expenses and regular review of budgeted fundraising targets

**Fund-raising activities**

The Centre received donations of £1,726,111 (2009 £1,472,300) during the year. No endowment donations were received.

**Risk review**

The Centre carries out an annual assessment of major risks which are reviewed periodically by a committee of Governors. In the view of the Governors, risk management and internal controls are appropriate for the Centre's activities.

**Strategic objectives**

The Governors aim to

- build on the achievements of the Centre and to continue to meet the highest standards of academic excellence
- maintain and highlight the strong position of Oxford University in Jewish studies. The Centre made contributions to the University of Oxford towards the running costs of the Oriental Institute, for remuneration of Centre fellows who are also members of the Unit and for student fees relating to the Master of Studies degree "MSt" programme and to various Oxford Colleges for fee arrangements relating to the MSt degree programme
- enhance further the role of the Leopold Muller Memorial Library as a major source of research material, particularly in modern Jewish history
- continue to expand the Centre's endowment capital, especially for the purpose of funding fellowships and graduate student scholarships
- develop further the facilities of the Yarnton Manor estate and to increase its international role as an academic study and conference centre
- develop co-operation with other institutions engaged in postgraduate teaching and research in the Centre's fields of endeavour
- to promote public benefit through open lectures, dissemination of knowledge of Jewish civilization, and conferences on topics of timely concern

**REPORT OF THE GOVERNORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2010 (Continued)**

**Objective of the Centre and activities for the public benefit**

The Centre is devoted to the comprehensive study of Hebrew and other Jewish languages and literatures and to Jewish thought, history, culture and society

The Centre's research activities aim to give the scholarly world and the general public a better understanding of Jewish issues

The Centre fulfils a wide range of teaching responsibilities. Its fellows provide teaching for all degrees in Hebrew and Jewish Studies at the University of Oxford. In particular, the Centre is wholly responsible for the teaching and administration of the Oxford University MSt in Jewish Studies. Students from many countries and every continent come to the Centre to learn Hebrew and Yiddish and to gain knowledge of Jewish culture. The MSt course is open to all who meet the admission requirements which are based on scholarly attainment and potential, and various bursaries are available.

The Centre also holds lectures, symposiums and conferences, many of which are not limited to members of Oxford University.

As the foremost institution of its kind in Europe, the Centre fulfils an international role. It has forged close relationships with universities and research bodies throughout the world.

The Centre's library is one of the most important open shelf research facilities in Europe in the field of Jewish studies, and the Centre has become an established meeting point for scholars from across the world.

The Centre also hosts the Central Registry of Information on Looted Cultural Property 1933-1945. The Commission for Looted Art, based in London, is gathering data on objects plundered by Nazis and others.

The Centre is committed to making its research findings in Jewish history, languages, literature and culture available to the general public.

The Governors have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Centre's aims and objectives and in implementing and planning current and future activities.

**Future Plans**

The Centre will continue its programme of academic activities. During 2010-2011, the Centre will continue to host a major visiting fellows program building on the successful European Seminar on Advanced Jewish Studies held at Yarnton Manor during 2009-2010.

**Governors' responsibilities**

Company law requires the Governors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Centre and of the surplus or deficit of the Centre for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Governors are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently,
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent,
- state whether applicable accounting standards 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 Centre will continue in business.

The Governors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Centre. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Centre and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

REPORT OF THE GOVERNORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2010 (Continued)

In accordance with company law, as the Governors we certify that

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

**Investment funds**

The Centre's investments comprise cash, securities, property and a loan. The investment managers are J M Finn & Co

The Centre has continued to invest in quality corporate bonds, around 25% of value of the total portfolio, and did not have any holdings of Gilts at 31 July 2010. The majority of the fund is still invested in predominantly blue chip equities with a slight emphasis on those with above average yield.

At 31 July 2010, the total value of all the Centre's quoted investments was £6,172,546 (2009 £5,393,807). In addition, the Centre has invested £1,215,000 in properties on the Yarnton Manor Estate and was in receipt of a loan of £800,000 in 2008-2009 to support operating activities. This arrangement was formally agreed by the Charity Commission and repayment of this loan will commence in 2010-2011 in 10 equal, annual instalments of £80,000.

**The Permanent Endowment Fund of the Centre**

The investment objective of the fund is to maximise income but with retention of capital values in real terms over the longer term. The total value of the funds held by J M Finn as at 31 July 2010 was £1,158,667 (2009 £1,000,933).

Within the Permanent Endowment fund there is a cash holding of £23,615, and £650,000 is invested in the Manor Farm accommodation.

**The Expendable and Partly Expendable Endowment Fund of the Centre**

The investment objective of the fund is to obtain the maximum total return considered prudent but with a preference for income. The total value of the funds held by J M Finn as at 31 July 2010 was £3,896,567. A further £565,000 of the fund is invested in a residential property and £800,000 was lent to the Centre.

The value of the Polonsky Foundation fund was £1,079,000.

The total value of the fund was £6,378,879 (2009 £5,757,874).



REPORT OF THE GOVERNORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2010 (Continued)

**Directors and Governors**

The Governors (who are also directors of the charitable company) set out below have held office for the whole of the period from 1 August 2009 to the date of this report unless otherwise stated. In accordance with the Articles of Association, Prof Shlomo Ben-Ami, Mr Stanley Fink, The Lord Guthrie of Craigiebank, Mr David Joseph, Mr Dan Patterson, Mr Daniel Peltz and Mr Marc Polonsky resign and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

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Sir Ivor Crewe  
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Mr Michael Garston  
Professor Martin Goodman  
Dr Alfred Gottschalk (deceased 12 09 09)  
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Mr Roger Wingate

**Appointment of University Board Governors**

The following bodies have the power to appoint members of the Board of Governors in accordance with the Articles of Association.

The Humanities Board of the University of Oxford (two members) The current appointees are Dr Paul Joyce and Professor Hugh Williamson.

The Oriental Studies Board of the University of Oxford (three members) The current appointees are Professor Martin Goodman and Dr David Taylor.

**Governor Appointments, Induction and Training**

Governors are also trustees of the charity. Appointments are made by the Board giving proper regard to the range of skills and experience needed to govern the Centre. On appointment, Governors are provided with copies of the Centre's governing documents, annual reports and other current relevant material. Ongoing legal, investment and other advice is thereafter provided to Governors as appropriate.

**Auditors**

Wenn Townsend have signified their willingness to continue in office as the Centre's auditors and a resolution proposing their reappointment will be put forward at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting of the Company.

Approved by the Board of Governors on 13 December 2010

Signed on its behalf by



Dr David Ariel, President

## OXFORD CENTRE FOR HEBREW AND JEWISH STUDIES

### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE GOVERNORS OF THE OXFORD CENTRE FOR HEBREW AND JEWISH STUDIES

We have audited the financial statements of Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies ('the Centre') for the year ended 31 July 2010 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, Summary Income and Expenditure Account, the Balance Sheet, and the related notes. These financial statements have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein.

This report is made solely to the Centre's Governors, as a body, in accordance with sections 495 and 496 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Centre's Governors 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 Centre and the Centre's Governors as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

#### **Respective responsibilities of Governors and Auditors**

As described in the Statement of Governors' Responsibilities, the Governors (who are also the directors of the Centre for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the Governors' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and for being satisfied that the financial statements give a true and fair view as set out in the Statement of Governors' Responsibilities.

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

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice and have been prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2006. We also report to you if, in our opinion, the Governors' Annual Report is not consistent with the financial statements, if the Centre 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 Governors' remuneration and other transactions is not disclosed.

We read the Governors' Annual Report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it.

#### **Basis of audit opinion**

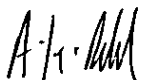
We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the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

#### **Opinion**

In our opinion:

- the financial statements give a true and fair view, in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, of the state of the Centre's affairs as at 31 July 2010, and of the Centre's incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure in the year then ended,
- the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2006, and
- the information given in the Governors' Annual Report is consistent with the financial statements.



Mr Ajay Bahl  
for and on behalf of Wenn Townsend  
Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors  
Oxford

13th December 2010

OXFORD CENTRE FOR HEBREW AND JEWISH STUDIES

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2010

	Note	Unrestricted £	Designated £	Restricted £	Endowment £	Total 2010 £	Total 2009 £
<b>Income</b>							
<i>Incoming resources from generated funds</i>							
Voluntary income		686,042	50,000	990,069	-	1,726,111	1,472,300
Less deferred income	13	-	-	(475,833)	-	(475,833)	(693,898)
		686,042	50,000	514,236	-	1,250,278	778,402
<i>Activities for generating funds</i>	2.1	87,519	1,040	20	-	88,579	70,591
<i>Investment income</i>	2.2	508	-	582	316,670	317,760	369,180
<i>Incoming resources from charitable activities</i>	2.3	51,667	78,589	383,032	-	513,288	465,452
<b>Total incoming resources</b>		<b>825,736</b>	<b>129,629</b>	<b>897,870</b>	<b>316,670</b>	<b>2,169,905</b>	<b>1,683,625</b>
<b>Resources expended</b>							
<i>Cost of generating funds</i>	3	231,825	-	1,479	29,740	263,044	216,326
<i>Charitable activities</i>	4	605,710	87,230	1,020,777	-	1,713,717	1,881,928
<i>Governance costs</i>	5	96,491	-	-	-	96,491	89,651
<b>Total resources expended</b>		<b>934,026</b>	<b>87,230</b>	<b>1,022,256</b>	<b>29,740</b>	<b>2,073,252</b>	<b>2,187,905</b>
<b>Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before transfers</b>		<b>(108,290)</b>	<b>42,399</b>	<b>(124,386)</b>	<b>286,930</b>	<b>96,653</b>	<b>(504,280)</b>
<b>Net transfers between funds</b>	19	138,947	-	175,729	(314,676)	-	-
<b>Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before revaluations and investment asset disposals</b>		<b>30,657</b>	<b>42,399</b>	<b>51,343</b>	<b>(27,746)</b>	<b>96,653</b>	<b>(504,280)</b>
<i>Gains and losses on revaluations and disposals of investment assets</i>							
Fixed asset investments realised gains/(losses)	11	-	-	-	100,725	100,725	(453,375)
Fixed asset investments unrealised gains/(losses)	11	-	-	-	705,760	705,760	(173,562)
<b>Net movement in funds for the year</b>		<b>30,657</b>	<b>42,399</b>	<b>51,343</b>	<b>778,739</b>	<b>903,138</b>	<b>(1,131,217)</b>
<b>Fund balances at 1 August 2009</b>		<b>(757,115)</b>	<b>53,811</b>	<b>123,281</b>	<b>9,287,422</b>	<b>8,707,399</b>	<b>9,838,616</b>
<b>Fund balances at 31 July 2010</b>		<b>(726,458)</b>	<b>96,210</b>	<b>174,624</b>	<b>10,066,161</b>	<b>9,610,537</b>	<b>8,707,399</b>

The notes on pages 10 to 23 form part of these accounts

**OXFORD CENTRE FOR HEBREW AND JEWISH STUDIES**

**SUMMARY INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2010**

	2010 £	2009 £
Gross income from continuing operations – unrestricted, restricted and designated funds	1,853,235	1,315,070
Transfer from endowment funds	314,675	365,883
Total expenditure of continuing operations	(2,043,512)	(2,154,964)
Total net income/(expenditure) for the year	<u>124,398</u>	<u>(474,011)</u>

**STATEMENT OF TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2010**

	2010 £	2009 £
Net expenditure from income and expenditure account (as above)	124,398	(474,011)
Capital increases/ (decreases) in endowment funds	(27,745)	(30,269)
Net realised gains/(losses) on endowment fund investment	100,725	(453,375)
Total realised net gains (losses) for the year	<u>197,378</u>	<u>(957,655)</u>
Net unrealised gains/(losses) on endowment fund investments	705,760	(173,562)
Total recognised net gains/(losses) for the year	<u>903,138</u>	<u>(1,131,217)</u>

The notes on pages 10 to 23 form part of these consolidated accounts

**OXFORD CENTRE FOR HEBREW AND JEWISH STUDIES**

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 JULY 2010**

	Note	2010 £	2009 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Tangible fixed assets	9	2,606,732	2,606,732
Investment property	10	1,215,000	1,215,000
Investments	11	6,996,161	6,217,422
		<u>10,817,893</u>	<u>10,039,154</u>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors – falling due within one year	12	63,166	116,319
Bank deposit – general		192,653	253,466
		<u>255,819</u>	<u>369,785</u>
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Creditors – falling due within one year	13	(663,175)	(829,797)
Bank overdraft	13	-	(71,743)
		<u>(407,358)</u>	<u>(531,755)</u>
<b>Net current liabilities</b>		<u>(407,358)</u>	<u>(531,755)</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<u>10,410,537</u>	<u>9,507,399</u>
<b>Creditors – falling due after more than one year</b>			
Loan from MCA fund	14	(800,000)	(800,000)
		<u>(800,000)</u>	<u>(800,000)</u>
<b>Net assets</b>		<u><u>9,610,537</u></u>	<u><u>8,707,399</u></u>
<b>Capital funds</b>			
Endowments	15	10,066,161	9,287,422
<b>Income funds</b>			
Unrestricted	16	(726,458)	(757,115)
Designated	17	96,210	53,811
Restricted	18	174,624	123,281
		<u>9,610,537</u>	<u>8,707,399</u>

The notes on pages 10 to 23 form part of these accounts

Approved by the Board of Governors and signed on its behalf on 13 December 2010

  
Dr David Ariel, President

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2010**

**1 Accounting policies**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting Standards, the Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2005) and the Companies Act 2006

**(a) Accounting convention**

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of fixed asset investments and investment property

**(b) Income**

Income has been credited to the Income and Expenditure account on the following basis

- Donations and dividends are recognised on a receivable basis, and include any income tax recoverable,
- Unrestricted income allocated for a specific purpose by the Centre is treated as a designated fund,
- Donations received for specific purposes, restricted on a time basis, are carried forward as deferred income and matched with related expenditure,
- Interest and rents are recognised on an accruals basis

**(c) Fixed Assets**

Freehold land and buildings are capitalised in the financial statements, but are not depreciated as the buildings are maintained to such a standard that their estimated residual value is not less than their carrying value. An annual impairment review is carried out by the Governors to ensure that this continues to be the case

All other assets are written off to the income and expenditure account in the year of acquisition

**(d) Investment Properties**

Investment properties are included in the balance sheet at their open market value based on periodical valuations. This accounting policy is in accordance with the Statement of Standard Accounting Practice (SSAP 19), Accounting for Investment Properties. However, this is a departure from the general requirement of the Companies Act 2006 for all tangible assets to be depreciated. It is the opinion of the Governors that compliance with the Standard (SSAP 19) is necessary for the financial statements to give a true and fair view

**(e) Investments**

Listed investments are stated at open market value. Net realised and unrealised gains and losses on investment assets are accounted for as part of the related funds when they occur, the calculation having been based on open market value

**(f) Taxation**

The Centre is a charitable institution with exemption from taxation on its charitable activities under section 505 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988

**(g) Foreign currencies**

Donations received in currencies other than sterling have been included at the rates obtained on conversion

**(h) Operating leases**

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to the income and expenditure account over the term of the lease

**(i) Pension costs**

The Centre accounts for pensions contributions as if payments were being made to defined contribution pension schemes. As a result, the amount charged to the income and expenditure account represents the contributions payable to the scheme in respect of the accounting period

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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continued

**1 Accounting policies (continued)**

**(j) Allocation of costs to Resources Expended**

Specific items of expenses are attributed to the appropriate category

- cost of generating funds are the costs associated with generating incoming resources from all sources other than undertaking charitable activities,
- charitable activities are the resources applied by the Centre in undertaking its work to meet its charitable objectives,
- governance costs are costs that relate to the general running of the charity and are primarily associated with constitutional and statutory requirements,
- support costs have been allocated to activity cost categories on a consistent basis, e.g. staff costs by the time spent and other costs by their usage

**(k) Basis of allocation of costs between Unrestricted and Restricted Funds**

Costs are specifically recognised as being for unrestricted or restricted purposes and are allocated accordingly

**(l) Fund accounting**

Funds held by the Charity are

- unrestricted general funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the Governors,
- designated funds which are funds set aside by the Governors out of unrestricted general funds for specific future purposes or projects,
- restricted funds which can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity as specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes,
- endowment funds which are capital funds where, apart from endowments expendable in part or in whole, there is normally no power to spend the capital as if it was unrestricted income

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of the funds is included, where practicable, in the notes to the financial statements

**(m) Gifts in kind**

Properties, investments and other fixed assets donated to the charity are included as donation income at market value at the time of receipt

**(n) Going concern**

The accounts of the Centre are prepared on a going concern basis. The Governors can only consider with reasonable certainty a budgetary period of twelve months from the year end due to the difficulty in securing voluntary income for unrestricted funds

**2 Income**

The results for the year are attributable to the principal activity, the advancement of education and research in the field of Hebrew and Jewish Studies

**2.1 Activities for generating funds**

These activities include hire of premises and accommodation, charges for minibus usage, photocopying and other office costs

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**2.2 Investment income**

Investment income comprises

	Unrestricted £	Designated £	Restricted £	Endowment £	Total 2010 £	Total 2009 £
Dividends and interest	508	-	582	286,500	287,590	314,209
Income from investment properties	-	-	-	30,170	30,170	54,971
	<b>508</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>582</b>	<b>316,670</b>	<b>317,760</b>	<b>369,180</b>

**2.3 Incoming resources from charitable activities**

	Unrestricted £	Designated £	Restricted £	Endowment £	Total 2010 £	Total 2009 £
Conferences, student fees accommodation and library funding	51,667	19,911	283,013	-	354,591	327,214
Looted Art Research Unit	-	-	100,019	-	100,019	75,888
Journal of Jewish Studies	-	58,678	-	-	58,678	62,350
	<b>51,667</b>	<b>78,589</b>	<b>383,032</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>513,288</b>	<b>465,452</b>

**3 Costs of generating funds**

	Unrestricted £	Designated £	Restricted £	Endowment £	Total 2010 £	Total 2009 £
Advertising and fundraising	146,710	-	-	-	146,710	74,916
Postage and stationery	7,816	-	-	-	7,816	6,737
Printing	6,408	-	-	-	6,408	7,047
Support costs	70,891	-	1,479	-	72,370	94,685
	<b>231,825</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,479</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>233,304</b>	<b>183,385</b>
Investment management Investment management fees	-	-	-	29,740	29,740	32,941
	<b>231,825</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,479</b>	<b>29,740</b>	<b>263,044</b>	<b>216,326</b>

**4 Charitable activities**

	Unrestricted £	Designated £	Restricted £	Endowment £	Total 2010 £	Total 2009 £
Academic	209,182	39,679	529,732	-	778,593	812,272
Yarnton Manor Estate facilities	282,994	37,640	142,862	-	463,496	527,869
Master of Jewish Studies degree Library	-	-	142,520	-	142,520	194,945
	113,534	9,911	73,625	-	197,070	203,561
Looted Art Research Unit	-	-	108,332	-	108,332	124,011
Hebrew and Jewish Studies Unit	-	-	23,706	-	23,706	19,270
	<b>605,710</b>	<b>87,230</b>	<b>1,020,777</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,713,717</b>	<b>1,881,928</b>



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	Unrestricted £	Designated £	Restricted £	Endowment £	Total 2010 £	Total 2009 £
<b>5 Governance costs</b>						
Finance charges	15,427	-	-	-	15,427	16,125
Professional charges	28,151	-	-	-	28,151	25,210
	<u>43,578</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>43,578</u>	<u>41,335</u>
Internal governance costs	52,913	-	-	-	52,913	48,316
	<u>96,491</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>96,491</u>	<u>89,651</u>

Professional charges include audit fees of £9,000 (2009 £8,809)

	Staff costs £	Other costs £	Total 2010 £	Total 2009 £
<b>6 Further analysis of total resources expended, between staff and other costs</b>				
Costs of generating funds	104,995	158,049	263,044	216,326
Charitable activities				
Academic	363,757	414,836	778,593	812,272
Yarnton Manor Estate Facilities	268,294	195,202	463,496	527,869
Master of Jewish Studies Degree	84,319	58,201	142,520	194,945
Library	134,669	62,401	197,070	203,561
Looted Art Research Unit	61,483	46,849	108,332	124,011
Hebrew and Jewish Studies Unit	5,124	18,582	23,706	19,270
	<u>917,646</u>	<u>796,071</u>	<u>1,713,717</u>	<u>1,881,928</u>
Governance costs				
Finance and professional charges	-	43,578	43,578	41,335
Internal governance costs	47,769	5,144	52,913	48,316
	<u>47,769</u>	<u>48,722</u>	<u>96,491</u>	<u>89,651</u>
	<u>1,070,410</u>	<u>1,002,842</u>	<u>2,073,252</u>	<u>2,187,905</u>

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### 7 Governors' Remuneration

The President

	2010 £	2009 £
Salary (excluding employer's national insurance)	80,000	66,666
Bonus	7,050	12,500
Employer's national insurance contributions	11,243	9,542
Personal pension	6,500	4,200
Other benefits – private health care	4,585	7,718
	<u>109,378</u>	<u>100,826</u>

Expenses of £18,052 (2009 £10,344) were reimbursed to or paid on behalf of the President

Professor M Goodman is a Fellow and Governor. He received a teaching stipend from the Centre of £2,000 (2009 £2,000) and was reimbursed £500 (2009 £500) for expenses incurred on behalf of the Centre

No other Governor received remuneration or expenses during the year

The cost of Professional Indemnity, Governors' and Officers' Liability and Fidelity Guarantee insurance for the year is included in the total premium for the Fidelity Guarantee Policy, which also includes all staff, and is £1,913 (2009 £1,913)

### 8 Staff costs

	2010 £	2009 £
Wages and salaries	899,075	994,541
Social security costs	72,761	78,804
Other pension contributions	98,574	107,361
	<u>1,070,410</u>	<u>1,180,706</u>

The above amounts include Governors' remuneration

There were no employees other than the President earning over £60,000 per annum

Research stipends of £82,465 (2009 £13,465) were paid to visiting academics

Salary grants of £204,861 (2009 £224,229) were paid to the University of Oxford which remunerated five of the Centre's Fellows, (none of whom were Governors during the period)

The average number of persons employed by the Centre during the year, including Governors and those working part-time on a long-term basis, were as follows

	2010		2009	
	Full-time	Part-time	Full-time	Part-time
Academic	10	3	10	2
Library	3	2	3	2
Administration	7	5	6	6
Domestic and maintenance	6	5	6	5
	<u>26</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>15</u>

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9 Tangible fixed assets

	2010 £	2009 £
<b>Freehold Land and Buildings</b>		
Manor Farm - land	485,000	485,000
Manor Farm - buildings	751,731	751,731
	<u>1,236,731</u>	<u>1,236,731</u>
<b>Yarnton Manor Estate</b>		
- Yarnton Manor	1,000,000	1,000,000
- Ricardo House	370,000	370,000
	<u>1,370,000</u>	<u>1,370,000</u>
<b>Books and equipment</b>		
Library collections	1	1
	<u>2,606,732</u>	<u>2,606,732</u>

The assets are all used for the furtherance of the charity's objects in the advancement of education in the field of Hebrew and Jewish Studies

**Yarnton Manor Estate**

Yarnton Manor was purchased during the year ended 31 July 1992 at a cost of £1 million from the Charles Wolfson Charitable Trust. The Governors are of the opinion that the price paid was substantially below open market value then and at 31 July 2010. The Charles Wolfson Charitable Trust has the right of first refusal if at any time in the period of 50 years ending on 7 May 2042 the Governors of the Centre decide to sell Yarnton Manor. The price to be paid by the Charles Wolfson Charitable Trust would be £1 million plus the cost of any additional capital expenditure. Such additional capital expenditure was incurred in the building of Ricardo House.

In the event that Yarnton Manor is sold in the 50 year period and the Charles Wolfson Charitable Trust exercises its right under the above agreement, that trust entered into a commitment, which is expressed not to be legally binding, to make a donation to the Centre of one half of any selling price received by the Charles Wolfson Charitable Trust in excess of the re-purchase price paid to the Centre by the Trustees.

**Manor Farm**

In November 2002, the Centre received a gift of land from the Charles Wolfson Charitable Trust, adjacent to the Yarnton Manor Estate and on which a library storage facility and two residential units have been built. The value of this development is shown at the value of land and cost of construction.

**Library**

The Library Collections have been written down to £1 with all subsequent expenditure written off as incurred. The Governors consider that any revaluation of these assets or any attempt to quantify their value would be misleading.

**Equipment**

In accordance with the accounting policies of the Centre, fixed assets purchased in the period were written down to zero.

**Impairment review**

In the opinion of the Governors, there have not been any events or changes in market value to indicate that the book value of fixed assets have suffered impairment during the year.

**Insured value**

The total declared value, for insurance purposes, of the assets of the group, which are used to promote the objectives of the charity, at 31 July 2010 was £25,525,783 (2009 £24,556,760).

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10 Investment property

	2010 £	2009 £
Perry Orchard	565,000	565,000
Manor Farm, Phase 2	650,000	650,000
	<u>1,215,000</u>	<u>1,215,000</u>

Perry Orchard was purchased in July 2004 and Manor Farm, Phase 2 was completed in 2009. The Governors are of the opinion that there is no significant difference between the value shown in the accounts and the market value of these properties at 31 July 2010.

11 Movement in fixed asset investments

	2010 £
Market value at 1 August 2009	5,393,807
Disposals	(1,496,494)
Additions	1,525,098
Change in cash held by investment managers	(56,350)
Realised gains	100,725
Unrealised gains	705,760
Market value at 31 July 2010	<u>6,172,546</u>
Loan to Centre	800,000
Cash investment	23,615
	<u>6,996,161</u>

Included above are the following investment assets

	2010 £	2009 £
Investment assets in the United Kingdom	6,429,615	5,730,349
Investment assets outside the United Kingdom	566,546	487,073
	<u>6,996,161</u>	<u>6,217,422</u>

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**12 Debtors  
Due within one year**

	2010 £	2009 £
Debtors	7,246	8,839
Other debtors	-	58,510
Prepayments and accrued income	55,920	48,970
	<u>63,166</u>	<u>116,319</u>

**13 Creditors  
Due within one year**

	2010 £	2009 £
Creditors - suppliers	23,512	10,408
Other creditors – taxation and social security	20,685	35,541
Accruals	71,124	63,894
Payments received in advance	19,099	26,056
Brichto Fellowship	52,925	-
Deferred income	475,830	693,898
Bank overdraft	-	71,743
	<u>663,175</u>	<u>901,540</u>

**Deferred income funds – movement in year**

	Fellowships £	Conferences/ Lectures £	Scholarships £	Library £	Total £
Opening balance at 1 August 2009	360,904	117,750	209,244	6,000	693,898
Income during the year	28,249	-	-	-	28,249
Released during the year	(67,671)	(117,750)	(58,510)	(2,386)	(246,317)
Closing balance at 31 July 2010	<u>321,482</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>150,734</u>	<u>3,614</u>	<u>475,830</u>

**14 Creditors  
Due after one year**

	2010 £	2009 £
Loan from MCA endowment fund	<u>800,000</u>	<u>800,000</u>

As agreed with the Charity Commission, the first repayment instalment of £80,000 will be made during the year 2010/11. The Governors have considered the Centre's working capital requirements for the next academic year and are of the opinion that the Centre will have adequate resources to fund its charitable activities for at least the next academic year. The Governors are of the opinion that the Centre will be able to make capital repayments to the MCA fund and have the working capital to fund its charitable activities for the next academic year.

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15	Endowment Funds	Balance 31 July 2009	Management fees	Net Income Resources	Reallocated to Income & Expenditure Unrestricted	Reallocated to Income & Expenditure Restricted	Net Realised Gains/Losses for the year	Net Unrealised Gains/Losses for the year	Balance 31 July 2010
		£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
<b>EXPENDABLE AND PARTLY EXPENDABLE ENDOWMENTS</b>									
<b>Applied for the purchase of property</b>									
Stifung Benevolus		1,000,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,000,000
Anonymous		370,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	370,000
		<u>1,370,000</u>	-	-	-	-	-	-	<u>1,370,000</u>
Gift of land – Manor Farm		485,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	485,000
MCA Fund – property investments		565,000	-	24,700	(24,700)	-	-	-	565,000
<b>J M Finn Investments The MCA/Muller endowments</b>									
MCA Fund – securities		2,569,277	(18,055)	113,224	(110,724)	(2,500)	83,460	305,743	2,922,425
The Leopold Muller Memorial Library fund (The Yarmton Trust)		856,426	(5,352)	37,741	-	(37,741)	21,153	101,915	974,142
		<u>3,425,703</u>	<u>(21,407)</u>	<u>150,965</u>	<u>(110,724)</u>	<u>(40,241)</u>	<u>84,613</u>	<u>407,658</u>	<u>3,896,567</u>
Loan									
MCA fund, loan to working capital		800,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	800,000
The Polonsky Foundation equities		930,475	-	83,525	-	(83,525)	-	148,525	1,079,000
David Patterson Lecture Series, equities		36,696	(73)	2,616	-	(2,616)	-	1,689	38,312
Total MCA/Muller fund, Polonsky and DP Lecture S		<u>5,757,874</u>							<u>6,378,879</u>
Total expendable and partly expendable endowments		<u>7,612,874</u>	<u>(21,480)</u>	<u>261,806</u>	<u>(135,424)</u>	<u>(126,382)</u>	<u>84,613</u>	<u>557,872</u>	<u>8,233,879</u>
<b>PERMANENT ENDOWMENTS</b>									
<b>J M Finn Investments</b>									
<b>Library</b>									
Catherine Lewis & Simon Davis Library Fund		83,298	(521)	4,111	-	(4,111)	1,341	12,307	96,425
HRO Library Fund		14,589	(91)	720	-	(720)	235	2,156	16,889
Isaiah Berlin Library Fund		10,482	(68)	517	-	(517)	169	1,549	12,134
<b>Fellowships/scholarships,</b>									
David Patterson Fellowship in Jewish Law		262,041	(1,641)	12,931	-	(12,831)	4,217	38,716	303,333
Jacobs Fellowship		85,988	(538)	4,243	-	(4,243)	1,384	12,705	99,539
Mason Lectureship		82,801	(518)	4,086	-	(4,086)	1,333	12,234	95,850
Goldman Lecture fund		10,673	(67)	527	-	(527)	172	1,577	12,355
Dov Biegun Scholarship fund, part transferred to property		70,708	(443)	3,489	-	(3,489)	1,138	10,447	81,850
		<u>620,580</u>	<u>(3,885)</u>	<u>30,624</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(30,624)</u>	<u>9,989</u>	<u>91,691</u>	<u>718,375</u>
The Paisner, Leigh, Hyman, green and Schreiber funds (Y Trust)		380,353	(2,381)	18,770	(5,518)	(13,252)	6,123	56,197	440,292
		<u>1,000,933</u>	<u>(6,266)</u>	<u>49,394</u>	<u>(5,518)</u>	<u>(43,876)</u>	<u>16,112</u>	<u>147,888</u>	<u>1,158,667</u>
<b>Manor Farm, phase 2, property Investment</b>									
Miscellaneous Fund		421,124	-	-	-	-	-	-	421,124
Dov Biegun Scholarship Fund		228,876	-	5,470	-	(5,470)	-	-	228,876
		<u>650,000</u>	-	<u>5,470</u>	-	<u>(5,470)</u>	-	-	<u>650,000</u>
David Patterson Memorial Scholarship, cash on deposit		23,615	-	-	-	-	-	-	23,615
Total Permanent Endowment Fund		<u>1,674,548</u>	<u>(6,266)</u>	<u>54,864</u>	<u>(5,518)</u>	<u>(49,346)</u>	<u>16,112</u>	<u>147,888</u>	<u>1,832,282</u>
Total All Endowments		<u>9,287,422</u>	<u>(27,746)</u>	<u>316,670</u>	<u>(140,942)</u>	<u>(175,728)</u>	<u>100,725</u>	<u>705,760</u>	<u>10,066,161</u>

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**15 Endowment Funds (continued)**

	Balance 31 July 2009	Management Fees	Net Incoming Resources	Reallocated to Income & Expenditure Unrestricted	Reallocated to Income & Expenditure Restricted	Net Realised Gains/Losses for the year	Net Unrealised Gains/Losses for the year	Balance 31 July 2010
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
<b>The Yarnton Trust – Individual fund values</b>								
<b>Expendable Endowment</b>								
Leopold Muller Memorial Library Fund	856,426	(5,352)	37,741	-	(37,741)	21,153	101,915	974,142
<b>Permanent Endowments</b>								
Kennedy Leigh Charitable Trust Fund	82,742	(519)	4,083	(4,083)	-	1,333	12,225	95,781
Leslie Paisner Memorial Fund	29,069	(182)	1,435	(1,435)	-	468	4,295	33,650
David Hyman Fellowship	76,727	(480)	3,788	-	(3,788)	1,235	11,338	88,818
Frank Green Fellowship	76,727	(480)	3,788	-	(3,788)	1,235	11,338	88,818
Jacob & Shoshana Schreiber Fellowship	115,088	(720)	5,880	-	(5,680)	1,852	17,005	133,225
	<u>380,353</u>	<u>(2,381)</u>	<u>18,770</u>	<u>(5,518)</u>	<u>(13,252)</u>	<u>6,123</u>	<u>56,197</u>	<u>440,292</u>
<b>Total Yarnton Trust</b>	<u>1,236,779</u>	<u>(7,733)</u>	<u>56,511</u>	<u>(5,518)</u>	<u>(50,993)</u>	<u>27,276</u>	<u>158,112</u>	<u>1,414,434</u>
<b>MCA Fund – summary</b>								
	Balance 31 July 2009	Management Fees	Net Incoming Resources	Reallocations Unrestricted	Reallocations Restricted	Net Realised Gains/Losses	Net Unrealised Gains/Losses	Balance 31 July 2010
MCA Fund, aggregate balances	3,934,277	(16,055)	137,924	(135,424)	(2,500)	63,460	305,743	4,287,425

The MCA Endowment Fund is a separate fund for the purposes of advancing education in Hebrew and Jewish Studies. The donor of the original grant of £3,000,000 specified that the capital, which is to be invested on professional advice in order to obtain the maximum long-term total return (net of any tax) which is regarded from time to time as a prudent target for the Fund, may be spent provided that

- (1) the total of income and realised and unrealised gains spent in any full financial year of the Centre does not exceed 8% of the original grant as increased by the percentage increase in the UK Retail Prices Index from 30 June 2001 to the beginning of such financial year, but so that any unspent part of such 8% may be carried forward and spent in subsequent financial years in addition to such 8% limit each such financial year and
- (2) the market value of the capital of the Fund (after deducting any losses and liabilities, whether actual, accrued or contingent) not more than 30 days prior to the date on which the Governors resolve to spend the gains is not less than the original grant (increased as specified in proviso (1) above) after excluding the gains resolved to be spent

Provisos (1) and (2) are also applied to the additional matching grants of £1,062,350, from their respective dates of receipt. There were no additional grants during the year ended 31 July 2010 (2009: £nil). At 31 July 2010 the total grants, increased by the UK Retail Price Index for the relevant periods, amounted to £4,923,598 (2009: £4,732,668) so that the market value of £4,298,873 gave rise to a deficit of £(624,725) (2009: £798,390) and no capital may be spent at present. The unspent parts of 8% per annum aggregate to £1,772,098 (2009: £1,516,134).

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**16 Unrestricted funds**

31 July 2009 £	Net Incoming Resources £	Unrealised and Realised Gains £	Transfers £	31 July 2010 £
(757,115)	30,657	-	-	(726,458)

**17 Designated Funds**

	31 July 2009 £	Net incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	31 July 2010 £
Seminars	(151)	11,040	(11,040)	(151)
Yarnton Manor Estate Facilities	-	50,000	(26,600)	23,400
Library	-	9,911	(9,911)	-
Journal of Jewish Studies	53,962	58,678	(39,679)	72,961
	<b>53,811</b>	<b>129,629</b>	<b>(87,230)</b>	<b>96,210</b>



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### 18 Restricted Funds

	31 July 2009 £	Income received in advance £	Reallocation £	Outgoing Resources £	31 July 2010 £
Accommodation	-	110,073	(2,878)	(107,195)	-
Conferences and lectures	2,281	38,863	(2,939)	(31,206)	7,000
Conferences (Corob)	-	50,000	-	(22,706)	27,294
Fellowships, visiting	-	158,845	(35,001)	(95,687)	28,157
Fellowships, permanent	-	353,328	47,445	(400,773)	-
Israel lecture series	9,214	36,433	-	(35,197)	10,450
Library fund	19,764	63,668	-	(73,625)	9,807
Looted Art Research Unit	25,242	100,019	-	(108,332)	16,929
Master of Jewish Studies degree	60,687	161,788	(6,627)	(142,860)	72,988
Other, bank interest	-	582	-	(582)	-
L Paisner Fund	2,000	-	-	-	2,000
Secretarial salary	4,093	-	-	(4,093)	-
	<b>123,281</b>	<b>1,073,579</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(1,022,256)</b>	<b>174,624</b>

#### Master of Jewish Studies degree – scholarships

This fund represents scholarships received for students studying for the Master of Jewish Studies. Expenses allocated to this fund are those related to the programme.

#### Fellowships

The money received represents donations to pay for the employment of Centre fellows.

#### Library Fund

This fund represents money donated directly to the Centre for the library and the money paid by The Yarnton Trust from the Leopold Muller Memorial Library Fund.

#### Looted Art Research Unit

The donations received for this fund are used to support the work of a Central Registry of Information on Looted Cultural Property 1933 – 1945.

### 19 Transfers

Transfers between unrestricted, designated, restricted or endowment funds during the year are as disclosed elsewhere in the accounts.

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20 Analysis of Group Assets

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total Funds £
Fund balances at 31st July 2010 are represented by.					
Tangible fixed assets	751,732	-	-	1,855,000	2,606,732
Investment property	-	-	-	1,215,000	1,215,000
Investments	-	-	-	6,996,161	6,996,161
Current assets	(490,845)	96,210	650,454	-	255,819
Current liabilities	(987,345)	-	(475,830)	-	(1,463,175)
	(726,458)	96,210	174,624	10,066,161	9,610,537

21 Pension Commitments

The Centre participates in the Universities Superannuation Scheme ("USS"), a defined benefit scheme which is externally funded and contracted out of the State Second Pension for academic staff. USS has over 130,000 active members and the Centre has 15 active members participating in the scheme. The Centre also participates in the University of Oxford Staff Scheme ("OSPS") for administrative and support staff and makes an unfunded pension payment to one individual. The assets of the USS and OSPS are held in a separate trustee administered fund. Because of the mutual nature of the scheme, the Centre is unable to identify its share of the underlying assets and liabilities of the schemes on a consistent and reasonable basis and therefore, as required by FRS 17 "retirement benefits", accounts for the schemes as if they were defined contribution schemes. As a result, the amount charged to the income and expenditure account represents the contributions payable to the schemes in respect of the accounting period.

The latest triennial actuarial valuation of the USS was at 31 March 2008. This was the first valuation for USS under the new scheme-specific funding regime introduced by the Pensions Act 2004, which requires schemes to adopt a statutory funding objective, which is to have sufficient and appropriate assets to cover their technical provisions.

The valuation was carried out using the projected unit method. The assumptions which have the most significant effect on the result of the valuation are those relating to the rate of return on investments (i.e. the valuation rate of interest), the rates of increase in salary and pensions and the assumed rates of mortality. The financial assumptions were derived from market yields prevailing at the valuation date. An "inflation risk premium" adjustment was also included by deducting 0.3% from the market-implied inflation on account of the historically high level of inflation implied by government bonds (particularly when compared to the Bank of England's target of 2% for CPI which corresponds broadly to 2.75% for RPI per annum).

To calculate the technical provisions, it was assumed that the valuation rate of interest would be 6.4% per annum (which includes an additional assumed investment return over gilts of 2% per annum), salary increases would be 4.3% per annum (plus an additional allowance for increases in salaries due to age and promotion reflecting historic Scheme experience, with a further cautionary reserve on top for past service liabilities) and pensions would increase by 3.3% per annum.

At the valuation date, the value of the assets of the scheme was £28,842.6 million and the value of the scheme's technical provisions was £28,135.3 million indicating a surplus of £707.3 million. The assets therefore were sufficient to cover 103% of the benefits which had accrued to members after allowing for expected future increases in earnings.

The actuary also valued the scheme on a number of other bases as at the valuation date. On the scheme's historic gilts basis, using a valuation rate of interest in respect of past service liabilities of 4.4% per annum (the expected return on gilts), the funding level was approximately 71%. Under the Pension Protection Fund regulations introduced by the Pensions Act 2004, the Scheme was 107% funded, on a buy-out basis (i.e. assuming the Scheme had discontinued on the valuation date), the assets would have been approximately 79% of the amount necessary to secure all the USS benefits with an insurance company, and using the FRS17 formula as if USS was a single employer scheme, using a AA bond discount rate of 6.5% per annum based on spot yields, the actuary estimated that the funding level at 31 March 2008 was 104%.

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21 Pension Commitments (continued)

The technical provisions relate essentially to the past service liabilities and funding levels, but it is also necessary to assess the ongoing cost of newly accruing benefits. The cost of future accrual was calculated using the same assumptions as those used to calculate the technical provisions except that the valuation rate of interest assumed asset outperformance over gilts of 1.7% per annum (compared with 2% per annum for the technical provisions) giving a discount rate of 6.1% per annum, also the allowance for promotional salary increases was not as high. There is currently uncertainty in the sector regarding pay growth. Analysis has shown very variable levels of growth over and above general pay increases in recent years, and the salary growth assumption built into the cost of future accrual is based on more stable, historic, salary experience. However, when calculating the past service liabilities of the scheme, a cautionary reserve has been included, in addition, on account of the variability mentioned above.

The scheme-wide contribution rate required for future service benefits alone at the date of the valuation was 16% of pensionable salaries and the trustee company, on the advice of the actuary, agreed to increase the institution contribution rate to 16% of pensionable salaries from 1 October 2009.

Since 31 March 2008 global investment markets have continued to fluctuate and at 31 March 2010 the actuary has estimated that the funding level under the new scheme specific funding regime had fallen from 103% to 91% (a deficit of £3,065 million). Compared to the previous 12 months, the funding level has improved from 74% (as at 31 March 2009) to 91%. This estimate is based on the funding level at 31 March 2008, adjusted to reflect the fund's actual investment performance over the two years and changes in market conditions (market conditions affect both the valuation rate of interest and also the inflation assumption which in turn impacts on the salary and pension increase assumptions).

On the FRS17 basis, using a AA bond discount rate of 5.6% per annum based on spot yields, the actuary estimated that the funding level at 31 March 2010 was 80%. An estimate of the funding level measured on a buy-out basis at that date was approximately 57%.

Surpluses or deficits which arise at future valuations may impact on the Centre's future contribution commitment. A deficit may require additional funding in the form of higher contribution requirements, where a surplus could perhaps be used to similarly reduce contribution requirements. USS is a "last man standing" scheme so that in the event of the insolvency of any of the participating employers in USS, the amount of any pension funding shortfall (which cannot otherwise be recovered) in respect of that employer will be spread across the remaining participant employers and reflected in the next actuarial valuation of the scheme.

The next formal triennial actuarial valuation is due as at 31 March 2011. The contribution rate will be reviewed as part of each valuation and may be reviewed more frequently.

There is no actuarial valuation available for the OSPS.

The total pension cost for the Centre was £98,574 (2009: £107,361). The amount payable to the USS scheme was £50,094 and the amount payable to OSPS was £48,480. The contribution rates payable by the Centre were 16% of pensionable salaries for USS and 21.5% of pensionable salaries for the OSPS.