



Trustees' Annual Report

for the period from **1.9.2021** to **31.8.2022**

Charity name: **Midland Ophthalmological Society**

Charity registration number: **1040668**

Objectives and Activities

Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• the MOS has a duty to provide training for its membership via its regular educational meetings• the MOS promotes learning and partnership in ophthalmology in the Midlands• the MOS promotes understanding and communication within its membership and the wider community, including the transference of ideas, novel treatments and practice modalities to improve the ophthalmic health and well-being of the communities from which it springs• the MOS actively seeks to expand its membership and associate membership in pursuance of the improved quality and delivery of Ophthalmic Healthcare in the Midlands and beyond
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular activities, projects or services identified in the accounts	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• organising 3 times a year clinical and scientific meetings of the MOS• management of the MOS website, www.midophth.com• provision of support to two ancillary MOS meetings - the MOS Winter meeting and the MOS Cyprus meeting• manage the day to day running of the MOS• leadership of the MOS including oversight of the purpose, culture, values, strategy, policies and direction of the Society• maintaining the membership of the MOS• management of voluntary and involuntary retirement of members of the Council of the MOS• management and running of the MOS annual trainee awards
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	The trustees have paid attention to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on the requirement for the MOS to conduct its affairs in a manner which is of benefit to the public.

Achievements and Performance

<p>Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Meetings hosted <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - MOS AGM Meeting being held 1st October 2021 virtually - Slash and Burn - hosted by J Edwards and A Tyagi - subspecialty Ocular Trauma - MOS Spring Meeting - full day hybrid meeting - hosted by R Batra - subspecialty neuro-ophthalmology - MOS President's meeting - full day f2f meeting - Learning from Mistakes and Errors - hosted by A Murray - subspecialty Oculoplastics 2. MOS Council have continued to meet virtually and now f2f 3. Jiscmail forum is open for members to communicate with one another to discuss various clinical and managerial issues - link to register with the jiscmail forum will be emailed out again to membership in next couple of weeks 4. MOS website has registration links for upcoming events, past programmes for CPD purposes, letters to the membership, past junior prize winners, previous Middlemore Lectures etc. Members advised to direct potential members to the Membership tab on website to obtain subscription link and membership form. We are considering adding Educational content including video to the website; educational tab has been opened - please email educational submissions to MOS Council 5. Virtual Meetings and this year's face 2 face meetings have been recorded and are being published via Vimeo links on the website. The video links are password protected, for MOS members only to view, a newly added benefit of membership. 6. First Rate Ltd continues to provide administrative service to Society as Secretariat. 7. Midlands Ophthalmic Trainees are now attending again on a complimentary basis, as part of their mandatory programme. Aranjit Mitra informs that there are 62 Midlands trainees, and 50 would be expected to attend any given MOS meeting, taking on call commitments and leave into account. 8. Members asked to encourage all trainees/ foundation doctors/ medical students to prepare both academic and clinical work for next year's junior awards, closing date for abstract submissions will be 8th September 2023. 9. Mr Aidan Murray is retiring as President with Mr Joe Abbott taking over the Presidency on 7th October 2022, President Elect will be Prof Yit Yang. MOS Council thanks Miss Geetha Thurairajan for her four years of recent service to the Society as President Elect, then two years as President then President Ex Officio. 10. Eventbrite has now been used for 9x meeting registrations. It is not possible to automatically stop members from registering more than once. 11. Plan for meetings ongoing to be face to face and recorded, but NOT streamed live. First hybrid meeting in March 2022 had limited face 2 face attendance, so live streaming abandoned from June 2022 meetings onwards. 12. New MOS Council Trainee Representatives are in the process of
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	<p>being elected, with online polling planned. We aim to have two new trainee representatives in post on Council by the beginning of November. Council thanks Dr Nada Burgess and Dr Jasvir Virdee for their service to the Society as trainee reps over recent years.</p> <p>13. Eye News welcome reports of past MOS meetings for their News Round section of the journal. Please contact Chris by email with your reports on Chris@pinpoint-scotland.com to get them published.</p>
<p>Achievements against set objectives</p>	<p>Lots of people have joined the membership Member numbers on 1st October 2021 at AGM = 204 paid up full members, 33 paid up associate members, 12 want to be on mailing list but have chosen not to pay, 41 who have inactivated their Go Cardless direct debit subs, 1 honorary member from Nigeria. Annual Subscription remains only £50 for members, £30 for associate members. All previous standing orders have ended. No longer need proposer and seconder to become a member. Membership list should be only those subscribed to Go Cardless, and people specifically requesting to be on the list; others who are not paid up will be removed from the mailing lists as this is a GDPR requirement. All members should be receiving regular e-mails.</p>
<p>Educational meetings planned</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - MOS AGM Meeting - subspecialty cornea 7th October 2022 At Austin Court, Birmingham Hosted by Mr Ankur Barua - MOS President's 22nd Winter meeting 25th February to 4th March 2023 Hosted by Mr Anthony O'Driscoll - MOS Spring meeting - Medical Retina/ Surgical Videos 24th March 2023 Venue to be confirmed Hosted by Mrs Hannah Sharma and Mr Tarun Sharma - Joint MOS/ Pantheo Eye Centre Summer Meeting, Cyprus 22nd to 23rd April 2023 - MOS President's meeting - Paediatric Ophthalmology 9th June 2023 Venue to be confirmed Hosted by Mr Joe Abbott - MOS AGM meeting - subspecialty TBC 6th October 2023 At Austin Court, Birmingham Host TBC

MOS Financial Report

01.09.2021 - 31.08.2022

Income		Expenditure	
Go Cardless	10526 prev 8399	Venues	16958 prev 60
Sponsorship	29993 prev 6800	Speaker Expenses	132 prev 0
Meeting Attendance	791 prev 544	Junior Prizes	1788 prev 3400
Miscellaneous	0 prev 30	Administration	10701 prev 9447
		Post Meeting Dinner	1422 prev 0
		Miscellaneous	193 prev 50
Total	41310 prev 15773	Total	31194 prev 12957

Notes regarding income:

Go Cardless - over £2000 more than last year - increase in membership

Sponsorship - from 1 virtual, silver and gold tiers offered, and 2 face to face meetings, one man and two man stands offered, discount offered to loyal companies sponsoring all three meetings in a calendar year; no overdue payments; more companies sponsoring than pre-covid

Meeting Attendance - Oct 2021 7 x £40 for non-members to register; Mar 22 Virtual 8 x £40 for non-members to register and Face2face 4 x £40 for non-members to register; June 22 2 x £40 for non-members to register and 1 x £75 attendance on the day

Miscellaneous - nil this year

Notes regarding expenditure:

Venues - March 2022 and June 2022 meetings including AV costs/ recording; £1000 deposit for NCC had been paid in 2019 pre covid

Speaker expenses - £132 travel expenses, had been £0 previous year as all meetings virtual

Junior prizes - October 2021 junior awards and March 2022 neuro-opth quiz prize; previous year included 1 x 2019 prize and 2020 paediatric case presentation awards and 2020 junior awards

Administration - Zoom webinar/meeting monthly subscription, Go Daddy website hosting charge, First Rate Ltd secretarial, administrative, virtual meeting hosting, event management and video editing expenses; Vimeo subscription, Adobe subscription; power bank, conference name labels, laser pointer, Macbook adaptor, printer cartridges

Post Meeting Dinners - held after October, March and June meetings; had been £0 previous year as not held due to COVID pandemic socialising restrictions

Miscellaneous - chain engraving, gift H Palmer, visiting exhibition incentive hamper prize

Bank Accounts as of 31.08.2022 (cf. 31.08.21)

NatWest Current Account	74751.64 prev 64636.40
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Significant reserves are held at the end of this financial year due to the cost savings encountered as 2 meetings were cancelled altogether and then 4 consecutive educational meetings were held virtually during the COVID-19 era.

Structure, Governance and Management

Type of governing document	Terms of reference
How is the charity constituted?	<p>The MOS membership comprises of : Ophthalmologists and Ophthalmic trainees who pay a membership fee. Membership is open and welcome to any such individual worldwide, but most specifically for those working in the Midlands, UK. The MOS member is entitled to vote on matters affecting the MOS at the AGM and other extraordinary meetings or occasions calling for a vote. The MOS members will be invited to vote on issues, for example changes in the constitution of the Society.</p> <p>The Associate Membership comprises of: Non-Ophthalmologists working in Ophthalmology (nursing, optometry, technical, administrative and scientific) who pay an associate membership fee. Associate membership is open and welcome to any such individual worldwide, but specifically for those working in the Midlands, UK. The Associate member does not have voting rights.</p> <p>The Council comprises:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the President, an existing member of the MOS, elected by the committee, on the recommendation of the previous year's president, for a term of one year, with the expectation of serving on the committee in the year ante-ceding and post-ceding the presidential year. • the Treasurer, an existing member of the MOS, recruited from the MOS membership, usually for a 3 year term of duty • two Secretaries, existing members of the MOS, recruited from the MOS membership, usually for a 3 year term of duty • the past president for one year following the presidential term of office • the president elect for one year preceding the presidential term of office • two trainee representatives
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	MOS Council decision of a society member/s, who is serving or has served on the Council

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	The Midland Ophthalmological Society
Registered charity number	1040668
Charity's principal address	Medical Education Centre University Hospital Coventry and Warwickshire NHS Trust Clifford Bridge Road Coventry CV2 2DX

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office	Dates acted if not for whole year
1	Vaneeta Sood	Treasurer	For the whole year
2	Aidan Murray	President Elect	1 st September 2021 to 1 st October 2021
3	Aidan Murray	President	1st October 2021 to 31 st August 2022

Corporate trustees - names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name
n/a

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name
n/a

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	n/a
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	n/a
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	n/a

Names and addresses of advisers

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Accounting	The Hollies Bookkeeping Services	Suite 6, Bennetts Business Centre, The Old Bakery, Main Road, Pontesbury, Shropshire, SY5 0RR
Administrative	First Rate Ltd	8 Verstone Croft, Birmingham, B31 2QE

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

n/a

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signatures

	
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Full names

Vaneeta Sood	Aidan Murray
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Positions

Treasurer	President Ex Officio
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Date

05/06/2023

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Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Midland Ophthalmological Society
For the year ended 31st August 2022

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st August 2022 which are set out on the following pages.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility

- to examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

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

Independent Examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention, other than that disclosed on the following page, which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Julie Williams MICB PM.Dip
30th May 2023



Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Midland Ophthalmological Society

For the year ended 31st August 2022

Disclosure

Income £41309.23

Expenditure £31193.99

Profit in period £10115.24