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Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 December 2025

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Reference and Administrative Details

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	C Lloyd, (resigned 10th April 2026)
	Dr E Brady, (resigned 10th April 2026)
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Trustees' Report

The trustees present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Structure, governance and management

Nature of governing document

The British Association of American Studies constitution was adopted on 2nd April 1990. In May 1991 the Association was registered with the Charities Commission (registration number: 1002816). In November 2016 the Association changed its legal status, registering as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (registration number: 1170382).

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

At each annual election three ordinary members are elected to hold office for three years. Each year, around the Annual General Meeting, the three committee members who have completed their term of office vacate their places and may offer themselves for re-election. No person may serve continuously as an elected member of the Committee for more than seven years. Candidates for election as members of the Committee must be able to complete the projected term without breaching this seven year total. Having reached the term limit, a year must elapse before a candidate may stand again for membership of the Committee. The Editor/s of the Journal of American Studies, if not already a member of the committee, will be a member, ex officio.

Organisational structure

The business of the Association is carried out by an Executive committee (trustees). This Committee consists of three officers (Chair, Secretary and Treasurer) together with nine members and one postgraduate student representative and one early career representative, who are nominated, seconded and elected around the Annual General meeting of the Association.

Membership

Membership of the Association also includes a membership subscription to the European Association of American Studies. A representative is elected by the Association at the Annual General Meeting to serve on the European Association for American Studies committee for five years. This representative is also a member of the British Association for American Studies Committee.

The Association has standing orders which specify the composition and conduct of a series of sub-committees with specific areas of responsibility. These are: Publications, Development and Education, Awards and Conference sub-committees.

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Relationships with related parties

BAAS Publications Limited
A trading subsidiary of the charity.

Objectives and activities

Objects and aims

The purpose of the CIO shall be the advancement of education through the promotion of American studies for the public benefit by all or any of the following means:

- the encouragement of research, teaching, education and publication, particularly in the UK;
- the holding of American studies conferences;
- the collection and preservation of documents and artefacts relating to the United States in the UK;
- the support of access to archives and information about the United States;
- the broadening of knowledge about the United States within the UK;
- the pursuit of any other activities promoting American studies as the trustees may decide.

The trustees have complied with the duty in S17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

Holding conferences (an annual conference and numerous smaller conferences at venues around the UK on specialised US research or issues); promoting the work of the Journal of American Studies; book publication; supporting access to and preservation of US-related research materials in the UK; support for British students and scholars to travel in the United States; promoting American Studies activities via a website and newsletter and administering a large number of awards that promote the study of the US in the UK. In furtherance of these objectives the trustees ensured that:

- BAAS maintains a website available to both its membership and the public. The BAAS website provides unrestricted links to other key electronic resources for the advancement of education in the area of American studies.
- BAAS membership is open to anyone with a general interest, as well as a commitment to research, in the area of American studies. Subsidised rates are available for postgraduates, unwaged and retired subscribers.
- BAAS offers a series of grants and awards each year (see Achievements and Performance below). Requests for grants for conference support are made to the Conference and Awards sub-committees and considered at sub-committee and executive meetings on the basis of their relevance to the Association's objectives. The various awards are competitive and judged by Committee members and members of the subject community in the UK.
- BAAS is commitment to incorporating equality and diversity into all aspects of its work.

Public benefit

The activities undertaken to further public benefit are mentioned above in objects and aims.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

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Financial review

For the year ended 31st December 2025 total incoming resources amounted to £117,173 (2024: £111,987)

Total resources expended for the year amounted to £107,501 (2024: £102,114)

The net result for the year was a surplus of £9,672 (2024: £9,873) leaving the total retained funds of £326,369 (2024: £316,697) at the end of the year.

All of the retained funds related to unrestricted funds.

Policy on reserves

It is the policy of the charity to maintain general unrestricted funds at a level which equates to approximately 18 months' unrestricted expenditure. This provides sufficient funds to cover management and administration and support costs. Unrestricted funds are maintained at least at this level throughout the year.

Principal funding sources

The Association's main source of income is membership subscriptions and, via its trading arm (BAAS Publications Ltd), royalty payments from Cambridge University Press for the Journal of American Studies. It also receives donations and some income from advertising in its newsletters, and royalties from Edinburgh University Press for the BAAS paperbacks series, from BRRAM on the sale of American Studies microfilms and digital resources, and from the Publishers Licensing Society.

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Chairs Report for BAAS AGM 2026

Welcome all to the 2026 BAAS AGM. I hope that you have been enjoying this year's conference. It is 250 years since the U.S. declaration of independence and a new condition of being appeared in the world. Appropriately enough, independence, at least in a manner of speaking, is my ostensible theme today. What is it? What does it mean? And how do we best use it?

This has not been an easy time for American Studies in the UK. As we all know. American Studies undergraduate programmes continue to be cut and closed, along with a sector-wide contractions of the Arts and Humanities that swallow our colleagues and friends in their wake. BAAS have continued to work closely with organisations such as the Arts and Humanities Alliance, UKCASA, the English Association, and the Royal Historical Society to offer support to colleagues in departments facing closures and to reiterate the importance of American Studies scholarship more broadly. Myself and other members of the committee have participated in British Academy SHAPE discussions and fora and are helping inform the agendas of the REF panels in History, English, and Area Studies.

These are the more bureaucratic and formal elements of our work in 2025/6. They are necessary, and extremely important, and are gladly done by your representatives on the Exec. But the issues of the last year or so have been conceptual and, at the risk of being overly grand, existential. The daily work of committees and letter writing we have undertaken is nothing without big thinking and an underlying philosophy of action.

Much of our work in the last year as an association has been devoted to considering how we respond to the downward spiral of global events and the newly-fully-independent position of UK American Studies in relation to U.S. government agendas. In our history we have had many moments of productive misalignment and companionate disagreement with U.S. official policy, but it is not too much to say that British American Studies has perhaps never represented so vastly different a form of knowledge and understanding of power than at the present moment. Our histories, those we as Americanists write, are truths that are being actively suppressed through high and low tech means by extremely powerful figures and forces. It is no surprise to anyone, I think, that the majority of our discipline has found itself in a far more difficult position in relation to official and federal policy that in many previous periods. This makes what we do precious and all the more meaningful. For this reason, we drafted BAAS's first statement on Academic Freedom at the beginning of this year, and are continuing to work towards being more active and vocal on issues affecting our communities and society at large. We have looked in detail and consulted with lawyers about what we as an association are empowered to do and say within the frame of the UK Charity Commission. With this information in hand we are trying to take BAAS out more into the world through the development of a more organised media strategy. I, for one, believe that we cannot just think about our knowledge as a set of undergraduate degree programmes, school curricula, or fields internal to academia in the UK. Indeed, the public here might be our benefactors. We are wanted. Our knowledge is needed to combat widespread misinformation and misdirection. The more we can show this, the more we can try to put pressure (where possible) on our institutions to see that also. We have a moral duty to use what we know to help redirect the course of public debate, help the wider public be more informed, and within our power, to protect the vulnerable who are the victims of oppressive and shortsighted government policy. I look forward to returning to a better footing with the official structures of U.S. government in due course. All things must pass. For the moment, we must try to grow, learn and support each other as best we can in preparation for the end of this period of imperial aggression (often hidden in the language of technological or industrial development), violence on the domestic scene, and planned partisan division.

This is why we cannot think about the closure of programmes as simply a problem for our discipline. It is larger than that. Due to the poor financial planning and misguided aims of many of our institutions in UK academia - as well as the industrial strategy of our own government increasingly cutting out the Arts and Humanities from a central position in debate and scorching the earth of our cultural life - we must think about the shrinking of American Studies holistically. It is a structured erosion of knowledge at a time when that knowledge is of most value in aiding the will of liberal democracies to resist against tyranny - from whatever direction it comes. We recognise that it is incumbent on BAAS to think about how we can keep American Studies alive in our research, our teaching, and our public engagement in spite of these closures. Not just to circle the wagons around our friends and colleagues, but because the U.S. government is simply not the same kind of ally it once was in the era of the Cold War. We must use our independence as an association; however it came about.

I know that we are doing this already. I see it every day. Not only in the work of the committee and BAAS members with whom I am in contact, but in the many instances of engagement with the public - particularly through things such as our partnership with the Eccles Institute for American Studies at the British Library, the 'America Now!' series, which launched in 2024. This has been a resounding success, with all events so far sold-out. I thank all who have participated in these already or will do so soon. I have every hope that we might expand this series and others like it to spaces outside of the London orbital.

This year we have begun a new, exciting partnership with Liam Heffernan's Mercury Media to produce podcast content - including America: The Story of the USA and it spin offs and mini-episodes. If you are able, please join the Patreon and support Liam's work.

Preparations are in place for new opportunities in publications as Chris Lloyd's report will testify to. We are about to enter an exciting period of transition for JAS as Katie McGettigan is finishing her term and we recruit a new joint editor and associate editors to work alongside Will Norman before he too steps down next year. JAS remains the leading light of our society and our discipline.

I wish to offer my thanks to the conference committee at Glasgow, including Professor Jo Gill and her team, Emma Hall and Emily Brady at BAAS, and all who have brought us this fantastic event; a true salve in trying times for our field.

Huge, unending thanks to the officers: Kate Ballantyne, Chris Lloyd, Ben Offiler (Treasurer) and all the other members who have helped in my transition to chair. You have been so patient and so kind. We will announce new committee structures and placements in due course. For the moment, let me thank Kate Ballantyne for agreeing to take up Chris Lloyd's position as Deputy Chair of BAAS from April.

I want to thank the outgoing members, Chris Lloyd (again), Emily Brady (again), and Elsa Devienne. Elsa's work with Green BAAS has helped us continue to be at the forefront among learned societies in the adoption of green policies and agendas - something it is all too easy to forget about in what seems like a 24 hour news cycle organised around the agendas of screaming men devoted to their own power and egos.

Welcome to newly elected members: David Malcolm is returning to us. Matthew Holman will be joining us to be involved in the new Media strategy for the organisation. Tom Willett is joining us as the new postgraduate rep alongside Claire Watts who started last year but we didn't have time to formally welcome at the last AGM.

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I am sure I have forgotten much. If I have done so, it is a consequence of the speed and abundance of our activity, and not the poverty of our actions. The other reports from the committee chairs will show better than I can just how active we have been.

I thank you all for your energy and commitment. I hope our own efforts as your representatives are worthy of it.

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Mike Collins
BAAS Chair
April 2026

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Treasurer's Report
AGM, April 2026, BAAS Conference

Ben Offiler reporting:

1) Treasurer's Communications

Since our last Annual General Meeting (AGM), the Treasury has focused primarily on ensuring a smooth transition and continuity from the previous Treasurers. This has included the updating of records with relevant bodies, such as HMRC and Companies House, which is an ongoing process.

The consolidation of our finances by transferring all assets from the Shawbrook account to the accounts with The Co-Operative Bank, initiated by the previous Treasurers, has been completed. The Shawbrook account has now been closed.

Two significant developments that have been resolved include the repayment of unspent funds to the US Embassy following the cancellation of the small grants scheme in 2025 and the payment of outstanding PAYE to HMRC, which had inadvertently accrued because a direct debit to pay on a monthly basis had not been set up. These were two unexpected and significant outgoings, which has inevitably had an impact on our finances.

The financial statements below demonstrate that BAAS still retains healthy funds, but long-term sustainability remains a priority.

2) Account balances (as of 30/03/2026)

a. BAAS Charity The Co-Operative Bank Current Account £24,071.69
b BAAS Charity The Co-Operative Bank Savings Account £238,969.79
c. BAAS Publications The Co-Operative Bank Current Account £52,016.52
d. BAAS Publications The Co-Operative Bank Savings Account £2,088.39

3) Activities since last meeting

1. Various grants and expenses have been paid
2. Dues paid to European Association of American Studies at increased rate of €6 (from €5) per member.
3. Cambridge University Press invoiced for advance royalties from Journal of American Studies.

Subcommittee Reports

Awards

Interim Awards Subcommittee Report 2026
The BAAS Awards Programme ran successfully in 2025/26 with twenty-three awards granted in 2026 (nb the Arthur Miller Institute Prizes for the best journal length article and best first book were not awarded as of April 2026; the 2025 prizes were awarded in June and are included in this report).

The awards ceremony will take place 17 April 2026 with all winners publicly announced at that time. This report will be updated by 1 May with the full list of all winners. Therefore, this report includes the 2025 Arthur Miller Institute Prizes and the numbers for each award granted.

The Arthur Miller Institute Prizes, 2025
The Arthur Miller Institute (UEA) makes two annual awards for the best journal length article on any American Studies topic in the preceding calendar year and the best first book published in the preceding calendar year. These prizes will be awarded in Summer 2026 and will be included in the 2026/27 report. We hope to present the 2026 Arthur Miller Prizes with the rest of the BAAS awards at the April 2027 Awards Ceremony. The 2025 prizes were awarded to:

Arthur Miller First Book Prize
• Elsa Devienne, Sand Rush: The Revival of the Beach in Twentieth-Century Los Angeles (OUP, 2024)

Arthur Miller First Book Prize, Honourable Mention
• Erin Forbes, Criminal Genius in African American and US Literature (Johns Hopkins University Press, 2024)

Arthur Miller Article Prize
• Thomas Cryer, “A False Picture of Negro Progress”: John Hope Franklin, Racial Liberalism, and the Political (Mis)uses of Black History during the 1963 Emancipation Centennial, Journal of American Studies

Arthur Miller Article Prize, Honourable Mention
• Jenny Terry, Scopes, Specula, the Speculative: Histories of Medical Experimentation and Looking in African American Art and Fiction, Journal of American Studies, April 2024

2025 Awards

The BAAS Awards Programme ran successfully with twenty-three awards granted in 2025 (nb the Arthur Miller Institute Prizes for the best journal length article and best first book were not awarded as of April 2025). The following awards were made as of April 2025:

BAAS Book Prize

This prize is awarded for the best published book in American Studies this year.

• Paul Crosthwaite, University of Edinburgh, Speculative Time: American Literature in an Age of Crisis (Oxford University Press)

BAAS Book Prize - Honourable mentions

• Martin Halliwell, University of Leicester, Transformed States: Medicine, Biotechnology, and American Culture, 1990-2020 (Rutgers University Press)

BAAS Research Assistance Award

These awards offer assistance to scholars in the UK who need to travel or hire a local research assistant to conduct research in the United States during the year 2025-2026. We awarded 7 Research Assistance awards in 2025:

• Charlie Jeffries, University of Sussex, “With Girlfriends Like These: Queer Publishing and Assimilationist Politics Under Clinton and Bush”
• Emma Hall, University of Warwick, “Moms for Whose Liberty? Conservative approaches to ‘patriotic’ curriculum development in the United States”
• Emma Long, University of East Anglia, "Politics, Democracy, and the US Supreme Court”
• Madeleine Rose, University of Oxford, “Entanglement and Innovation in the Work of H.D, Marianne Moore, and Charlotte Mew”
• Mark Slater, University of Edinburgh, “Big Tobacco and Blackness: American Advertising, Big Tobacco, and Black Culture’s Interactions c. 1945-1980"
• Nathan Abrams, Bangor University, “David Mamet: A Political Biography”
• Ryan Thompson, Northumbria University, “The People’s Republic” : The Realignment of Vermont and the Battle for a Progressive America, 1968 - 2006

BAAS Postgraduate Essay Award

This annual prize is awarded for the best essay-length piece of work on an American Studies topic written by a student currently registered for a postgraduate degree at a Higher Education institution in the UK.

• Xavier Reader, Oxford University, “Sex, soundness, and ‘rotten with it’: sexually-transmitted diseases and the commodification of enslaved bodies in the antebellum American South”

BAAS Postgraduate Essay Award - Honourable mention

• Claire Marie Watt, University of Cambridge, ‘Feel good. Feel better. Move forward. Let it go’: Claudia Rankine’s Citizen as Monument
• Carson Eckhard, University of Cambridge, “If He Dies, It is But a Small Loss”: Convict leasing and Carceral Capitalism in Jim Crow Florida, 1875-1925

BAAS Postgraduate BIPOC Essay Award

This annual Award recognises exceptional essays (or comparable work) on topics in American Studies by BIPOC postgraduate students in the UK.

• Eve Wright, University of Leeds, “My 21st Century Blues: Reconsidering the Evolution of Blues Music”

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BAAS Undergraduate Essay Award

This annual award is awarded for the best essay-length piece of work on an American Studies topic written by a student currently registered for an undergraduate degree at a Higher Education institution in the UK.

• Nicole Butler, University of Leeds, “Women were not able to access the new publishing opportunities of the Harlem Renaissance on the same terms as men, nor were the rewards for success distributed equally.” Discuss.

BAAS Undergraduate Essay Award - Honourable mentions

• Anton Plotnek, University of Manchester, A Case Study of The Sentencing Project, 1981-2000
• Barnaby Rule, University of Manchester, "Uncle Tom’s Castle: Reflections of Harriet Beecher Stowe in the World of Jeeves and Wooster”

BAAS BIPOC Undergraduate Essay Award

This annual award recognises exceptional essays (or comparable work) on topics in American Studies by BIPOC undergraduate students in the UK.

There were no submissions for this award in 2025.

BAAS School Essay Prize

This annual prize is awarded for the best essay-length piece of work on an American Studies topic written by a student currently at school or college in the UK.

• Marcie Greenwood, Xaverian Sixth Form College, "Did the ‘Lavender Scare’ ever calm?”

BAAS School Essay Prize - Honourable mention

• Gavin Austin, Brighton College, “To what extent was the political rise of Donald Trump in 2016 due to the weaknesses of his opponents?”

BAAS BIPOC Schools Essay Prize

This annual prize recognises exceptional essays (or comparable work) on topics in American Studies by BIPOC students in the UK.

• Aleena Hamid, William Hulme’s Grammar School, "A Relationship even the Poets Could not Break Down: Assessing How Media Influenced and Shaped Countercultural Movements during the late 20th Century in the USA”

BAAS BIPOC Schools Essay Prize - Honourable mention

• Aanya Apte, St Albans High School for Girls, “The 51st State: Should the US allow Puerto Rico to have statehood?”

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BAAS Teaching Development Award

These annual awards support innovation and inclusion in American Studies teaching.

There were no submissions for this award in 2025.

BAAS Teaching Prize

This annual prize recognises excellence and innovation in teaching American Studies at the undergraduate and postgraduate level.

• Andrew Fearnley, University of Manchester, “Manchester’s American Connections: A Public History Project”

BAAS Graduate Teaching Assistantship in American Studies at the University of Wyoming

The MA Graduate Teaching Assistantship, starting in September 2025, provides income for two years and a MA fee waiver.

• Daisy Innes, University of East Anglia

Monticello Teacher's Fellowship

BAAS, in conjunction with the Thomas Jefferson Foundation (TJF) and the International Center for Jefferson Studies (ICJS), is delighted to make an award for teachers who cover the American Revolution, the Constitution and related materials in their A Level or Advanced Higher teaching of history and politics.

• Michael Saunders, Notre Dame High School Sheffield

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Development and Education

Rebecca Stone, chair

The Development and Education Subcommittee has undergone a number of changes in the past year. These changes have included a mostly new membership, welcoming new leads for TASN, WASN and Green BAAS, and the movement of certain bodies to alternative reporting structures. We have also made changes to the Development Fund and to the way that reports are delivered and shared with the wider BAAS community. We continue to support American Studies networks across the UK and are developing initiatives to grow in the future.

BAAS Development Fund

The fund offers grants for up to a maximum of £2000 for a range of American Studies academic activities that seek to develop American Studies scholarly communities, including (but not limited to):

- The organisation of conferences, meetings and events, including honoraria for speakers
- The establishment of new networks or other organisations
- Workshops, writing retreats, and reading groups
- Schools outreach and activities
- Diversity and inclusion initiatives of established networks or other organisations
- Sustainability initiatives of established networks or other organisations

In 2025 the Development Fund awarded fifteen grants, including the adoption of several projects which had been allocated US Embassy funding, which was later cancelled:

- African Atlantic Lives and Visual Culture Research Network (£1,998)
- Bringing Aoteroa to Caledonia: Knowledge Transfer, Networking and Building a Commonwealth of Americanists (£2,000)
- PSA American Politics Group Early Career Conference (£1,800)
- Cultural Connections: Transatlantic Literary Women (£1,300)
- Tuna Canyon ‘Only the Oaks Remain’ Exhibit and Educational Outreach' (£2,000)
- BrANCH Annual Conference 2024 (£2,000)
- HOTCUS Annual Conference 2025 (£2,000)
- 17th Annual Conference of the US Foreign Policy Working Group of the British International Studies Associations (BISA) - “US foreign policy in the post-unipolar world”, University College London (£1,450)
- Spotting Red Flags Symposium: Toxic Screen Romance in the Feel-Bad Era (£1,000)
- American Dream / American Nightmare Conference (£1,300)
- Incomindios Human Rights Education Network (IHREN), (£900)
- De’men minkanen: Growing Community Healing and Fostering Education Through Strawberry Planting and the installation of Potawatomi Trail of Death information signs (£500)
- The University of Edinburgh Southern History Workshop (450)
- A Network and Reading Group for Young Scholars of the American West (£1,100)
- The Scottish Association for the Study of America Annual Conference 2026 (£2,000)

Teaching American Studies Network

The Teaching American Studies Network, founded in 2020, organises events to support members in developing their teaching. A steering group, led by Jon Chandler and Chris Parkes, oversees the work of the network.

The roundtable on Decolonising American Studies following last year's symposium is in development for the Journal of American Studies. At the conference in April 2025 TASN held two sessions: A well-attended joint event with WASN, on Pedagogy and Promotion, organised by Hilary Emmett and a smaller lunchtime networking event. An event on sustainability, with Green BAAS, on sustainability in teaching.

Early Career and Postgraduate Network

Representatives have engaged with public outreach events and discussed putting together an career podcast for Americanists.

Green BAAS

Green BAAS, led by Dr Elsa Devienne, was founded in 2019 to respond to increasing concerns about the environment and the United States' relationship to climate change, and to consider and direct the changes that BAAS can make to contribute to collective global climate action.

Green BAAS has three main goals:

- Greening American Studies Teaching
- Greening American Studies Research
- Greening (or "decarbonising") BAAS, the organisation

In the year from April 2025 to April 2026, GREEN BAAS consolidated its presence in the Americanist community by hosting roundtables, virtual writing retreats, publishing a pedagogical report, and contributing to the BAAS 2026 programme.

- The roundtable series launched in September 2024 continued with a well-attended double book launch on 26 June 2025 celebrating the new books on energy history and environmental history published in 2025 by Dr Rebecca Wright (Northumbria) and Dr Pollyanna Rhee (Illinois Urbana Champaign).

- The Let's Write Together Fridays, a series of monthly virtual writing retreats, continued to be hosted by Dr Elsa Devienne (co-lead for GREEN BAAS) and were held on Friday 4 April 2025, Friday 2 May 2025, Friday 6 June 2025. There is appetite among PGRs and ECRs for this virtual writing retreat to continue, but it proved difficult to maintain into the new academic year due to the current crisis in the sector which has heavily impacted the GREEN BAAS co-leads.

- Through the spring and summer of 2025, Dr Elsa Devienne supervised Sam Hawksford-Smith as part of his doctoral internship (Hull University) to produce an environmental teaching audit. In October 2025, the audit resulted in the publication of a report which investigates academics' current practices and experiences of teaching about the US environment in UK Higher Education (in or beyond American studies programmes).

Equality, Diversity, Inclusion

Hilary Emmett

2025-2026: Key Actions

In addition to core business of collaborative oversight of activities such as the Development Grant and TRP applications, conference cfp's, calls for EoI in BAAS and BAAS-affiliated positions, and review of website accessibility, key actions for the past year have been:

• BAAS EDI member survey discussed and actioned across sub-comms. The two key outcomes post BAAS Hertfordshire were the revision of the BAAS EDI statement and the drafting and issuing of the BAAS statement on academic freedom: https://baas.ac.uk/news-and-events/2025/11/baas-statement-on-academic-freedom/
• Completion of NCVO training for Designated Safeguarding Leads in Charities
• Drafting of Safeguarding Policy and Procedure (based on robust existing robust Code of Conduct procedures) in line with Charity Commission requirements.

2026-2027: Priorities

• Strengthening support for independent scholars and the precariously employed, whether this is due to short-term contracts or ongoing threats of redundancy. This will include:

o Collaborative work with Ahmed Honeini on alt-ac forum in JAS;
o Building on BAAS's recently established partnership with Mercury podcasts to offer training.

• Our most significant financial commitment is to funding and commissioning workshops offering practicable advice for mid/late career academics seeking opportunities outside academia and to build on existing provision for PGR/ECRs. Workshop activities to include:
o Turning the academic c.v. into a 1-2 page c.v. for jobs outside academia;
o Identifying and creating a narrative out of transferrable academic skills, with specific focus on those developed by Humanities research;
o Identification of specific role-types and how to approach applying;
o Verified case-studies of those who have moved out of academia - the steps they took and how long the path was to comparable salaried employment.
• Further review of website and all BAAS pages to ensure ease of reading and access.
• Establishing better practice in supporting neurodivergent members.

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Publications Sub-Committee Report

Chair: Dr Chris Lloyd

This will be my last report as sub-committee chair, as I step down from the BAAS Exec (both for Pubs and as Vice Chair of the organisation). As such, I hope to leave the committee in good hands for the next person. Here are some of the main updates from the year. We had the last sub-com in January 2026, and those notes are available should anyone want them.

Journal of American Studies

• There are still some backlog issues with CUP which means that while there is a lot of material on 'FirstView', the issues are a bit behind.
• There is lots of good content on the horizon - including the special issue on Election 2024, the JAS 60th and BAAS 70th anniversary special issue, edited by Lydia Plath, and other special issues forthcoming.
• JAS is recruiting, as of summer 2026, a new Co-Editor to work with Will Norman; an Associate Editor: Features, and an Associate Editor: Book Reviews. Those calls are out.
• Submissions to the journal are steady, but those from the UK are dropping - a mirror to the pressures on AS colleagues in the UK.

Critical Insights in American Studies

• Some changes for the series. Lots of conversations have happened between the Editors, EUP, Mike and Chris, etc to get the most out of the series.
• There will be a new Co-Editor (with Joe Street) - interviews to take place at/around the conference.
• We will also be putting together an editorial group - with people from various disciplines and career stages - to help with generating interest in the series and supporting books through publication.
• Update to book format - rather than the paperback series which was focused on 'second book' or first-year undergraduate teaching books, we are moving CIAS into a standard monograph series. This means it will come out in hardback first, then paperback a year or so later. Thus, the affordability still stands (in due course), but the hardback means we can accept more projects - in a typical monograph format - and ensure the financial viability of the series for EUP.
• As such, we will do a drive for getting in proposals and conversations with the editors.

USSO

• Ongoing dialogue about the future of USSO - what is its scope and value; what do PGs and ECAs want from it, and how can we best serve those communities. For instance, do people want to focus more on peer reviewed articles rather than blog posts? How can we support in this space to make USSO more engaged.
• Recruitment drive coming this spring/summer, for Co-Editor and other roles.
• Want to link up USSO with JAS to think about the 'alt-ac' work that is going on.

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Digital

• The Awards process has been updated through the SharePoint system, which will streamline the process.
• Continued used of social media is good, and reminder for Exec to continue sending through posts - including images, copy, and links.
• Ben is working with Kate and others to support an archive project for an old American Studies site from Liverpool.

EDI Priorities

• Continued dialogue in the sub-com about EDI issues, including:
o Support and spaces for independent researchers
o Helping produce guidance for writing book proposals
o Routes into alt-ac careers - including taking part in workshops
o Panels at the conference
o Ensuring all of our outputs are accessible, inclusive, and speak to the broad AS community

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Conferences Sub-Committee

Conferences Team: Dr Emily Brady (Co-Chair, outgoing), Dr Emma Hall (Co-Chair), Dr David Ballantyne, Dr Riziki Millanzi (TRP Lead), David Malcolm (PG Rep, outgoing), Professor Jo Gill (Glasgow Organiser).

The conference committee has overseen the development of several high-profile events, including our annual conference and the PG BAAS Conference.

This report covers the following topics:

1. Postgraduate BAAS Conference
2. 2025 Annual Conference
3. BAAS Glasgow 2026
4. Targeted Research Panels (TRPs)
5. Future BAAS Conferences
6. Green BAAS
7. IAAS / BAAS Bursary

1**. Postgraduate BAAS Conference**

The 2025 PG BAAS Conference was held at the University of Teeside. This was organised by the PG Rep David Malcolm. The theme of the conference was: 'The people favored and the people oppressed': The Unequal Struggle for Equality and Rights in America.

There was a good mix of online and in-person attendance, justifying a hybrid approach to this conference. There was in-person attendance of 8 and up to 10-12 attendees online.

The next PG Conference will take place in 2026 under the PG Rep Claire Watt's supervision, either as lead organiser or by collaborating with another interested PG.

2. 2025 Annual Conference - Hertfordshire

The 2025 Conference took place from 23-25 April at the University of Hertfordshire in Hatfield, hosted by members of the School of Creative Arts. This was organised by Dr Chris Lloyd.

There were 9 panel sessions across the three days and a wide range of presentations. In the CFP there was a strong emphasis put on non-traditional panels, and to think broadly about how to present research. Traditional papers were allowed (contra some of the conference feedback) and the majority of panels in the schedule were regular papers, though we tried to make sessions one hour instead of 90 mins.

3. 2026 Annual Conference - Glasgow

The 2026 Annual Conference is due to take place at the University of Glasgow from the 9th to 11th of April 2026. This has been organised by Professor Jo Gill and her team at Glasgow.

The uptake from the CFP has been impressively strong in terms of both quality and quantity, leading for an expanded conference programme of 11 parallel sessions.

4. Targeted Research Panels (TRPs)

Dr Riziki Millanzi has served as TRP Lead. We received three submissions for TRP funding, of which two were successful. This means that there will be four TRPs at Glasgow 2026, including the two from previous years.

5. Future BAAS Conferences

The 2027 Conference will take place online. This will be overseen by Conference Co-Chairs Dr. Emma Hall and Dr. David Ballantyne.

There are ongoing conversations regarding potential hosts for 2028 and 2029.

6. Green BAAS

Whilst Green BAAS is no longer on the Conference Committee, we have continued to ensure that our organization remains sustainable. We have done this by factoring in environmental concerns into logistics for Glasgow 2026, and maintaining our commitment to hosting one in three of our conferences online in 2027. So too will Green BAAS's Moving Conversations continue at Glasgow 2026.

7. IAAS / BAAS Bursary

BAAS is delighted to announce a joint initiative with the Irish Association for American Studies to provide yearly funding that will enable postgraduate/ECR members from our respective associations to attend each other's annual conferences. The BAAS-IAAS Reciprocal Conference Bursary, worth £300, is intended to offset the travel and accommodation costs of one postgraduate/early-career/precariously employed BAAS member presenting a paper in person at the IAAS Annual Conference.

Financial instruments

Objectives and policies

The charity's activities expose it to a number of financial risks including credit risk, cash flow risk and liquidity risk. The use of financial derivatives is governed by the charity's policies approved by the board of trustees, which provide written principles on the use of financial derivatives to manage these risks. The charity does not use derivative financial instruments for speculative purposes.

Cash flow risk

The charity's activities expose it primarily to the financial risks of changes in foreign currency exchange rates and interest rates. The charity uses foreign exchange forward contracts and interest rate swap contracts to hedge these exposures.

Interest bearing assets and liabilities are held at fixed rate to ensure certainty of cash flows.

Credit risk

The charity's principal financial assets are bank balances and cash, trade and other receivables, and investments.

The charity's credit risk is primarily attributable to its trade receivables. The amounts presented in the balance sheet are net of allowances for doubtful receivables. An allowance for impairment is made where there is an identified loss event which, based on previous experience, is evidence of a reduction in the recoverability of the cash flows.

The credit risk on liquid funds and derivative financial instruments is limited because the counterparties are banks with high credit-ratings assigned by international credit-rating agencies.

The charity has no significant concentration of credit risk, with exposure spread over a large number of counterparties and customers.

Liquidity risk

In order to maintain liquidity to ensure that sufficient funds are available for ongoing operations and future developments, the charity uses a mixture of long-term and short-term debt finance.

Further details regarding liquidity risk can be found in the Statement of accounting policies in the financial statements.

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 26 October 2026 and signed on its behalf by:

.....
Dr M Collins
Chairman and trustee

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Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- 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 the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that 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 Charities Act 2011, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, and the provisions of the constitution. The trustees 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.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Approved by the trustees of the charity on 26 October 2026 and signed on its behalf by:

.....
Dr M Collins
Chairman and trustee

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Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of British Association for American Studies

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of British Association for American Studies for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of British Association for American Studies you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the British Association for American Studies' accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of British Association for American Studies as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

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John Saxon F.C.A
Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales

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26 October 2026

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 December 2025

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Income and Endowments from:				
Donations and legacies	2	90,887	90,887	86,932
Charitable activities	3	23,059	23,059	21,653
Investment income	4	3,227	3,227	3,402
Total income		117,173	117,173	111,987
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities		(107,501)	(107,501)	(102,114)
Total expenditure	5	(107,501)	(107,501)	(102,114)
Net income		9,672	9,672	9,873
Net movement in funds		9,672	9,672	9,873
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		316,697	316,697	306,824
Total funds carried forward	16	326,369	326,369	316,697

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.

The funds breakdown for 2024 is shown in note 16.

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(Registration number: 1170382)
Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Fixed assets			
Investments	12	100	100
Current assets			
Debtors	13	55,674	132,451
Cash at bank and in hand	14	285,737	257,325
		341,411	389,776
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	15	(15,142)	(73,179)
Net current assets		326,269	316,597
Net assets		326,369	316,697
Funds of the charity:			
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted funds		326,369	316,697
Total funds	16	326,369	316,697

The financial statements on pages 23 to 37 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on 26 October 2026 and signed on their behalf by:

.....
Dr M Collins
Chairman and trustee

1 Accounting policies

Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the second edition of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Basis of preparation

British Association for American Studies meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Going concern

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Income and endowments

Voluntary income including donations, gifts, legacies and grants that provide core funding or are of a general nature is recognised when the Charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Donations and legacies

Donations and legacies are recognised on a receivable basis when receipt is probable and the amount can be reliably measured.

Investment income

Investment income is recognised on a receivable basis.

Expenditure

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources, with central staff costs allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset’s use. Other support costs are allocated based on the spread of staff costs.

Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Grant provisions

Provisions for grants are made when the intention to make a grant has been communicated to the recipient but there is uncertainty about either the timing of the grant or the amount of grant payable.

Governance costs

These include the costs attributable to the charity's compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements, including audit, strategic management and trustees' meetings and reimbursed expenses.

Taxation

The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

Depreciation and amortisation

Asset class	Depreciation method and rate
Office Equipment	Fully depreciated

Business combinations

Business combinations are accounted for under the purchase method. Where necessary, adjustments are made to the financial statements of subsidiaries to bring the accounting policies used into line with those used by the charity. All intra-group transactions, balances, income and expenses are eliminated on consolidation. In accordance with Section 35 of FRS 102, Section 19 of FRS 102 has not been applied in these financial statements in respect of business combinations effected prior to the date of transition.

Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments, other than programme related investments, are included at market value at the balance sheet date. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between sales proceeds and their market value at the start of the year, or their subsequent cost, and are charged or credited to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period of disposal.

Unrealised gains and losses represent the movement in market values during the year and are credited or charged to the Statement of Financial Activities based on the market value at the year end.

Trade debtors

Trade debtors are amounts due from customers for merchandise sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business.

Trade debtors are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. A provision for the impairment of trade debtors is established when there is objective evidence that the charity will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Borrowings

Interest-bearing borrowings are initially recorded at fair value, net of transaction costs. Interest-bearing borrowings are subsequently carried at amortised cost, with the difference between the proceeds, net of transaction costs, and the amount due on redemption being recognised as a charge to the Statement of Financial Activities over the period of the relevant borrowing.

Interest expense is recognised on the basis of the effective interest method and is included in interest payable and similar charges.

Borrowings are classified as current liabilities unless the charity has an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least twelve months after the reporting date.

Foreign exchange

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate of exchange at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the balance sheet date are reported at the rates of exchange prevailing at that date.

The results of overseas operations are translated at the average rates of exchange during the period and their balance sheets at the rates ruling at the balance sheet date. Exchange differences arising on translation of the opening net assets and results of overseas operations are reported in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity (attributed to non-controlling interests as appropriate).

Other exchange differences are recognised in the statement of financial activities in the period in which they arise except for:

1) exchange differences on transactions entered into to hedge certain foreign currency risks (see above);

2) exchange differences arising on gains or losses on non-monetary items which are recognised in other comprehensive income; and

3) in the case of the consolidated financial statements, exchange differences on monetary items receivable from or payable to a foreign operation for which settlement is neither planned nor likely to occur (therefore forming part of the net investment in the foreign operation), which are recognised in other comprehensive income and reported under equity.

Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees' discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

Financial instruments

Classification

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the charity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.
Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the charity after deducting all of its liabilities.

Recognition and measurement

All financial assets and liabilities are initially measured at transaction price (including transaction costs), except for those financial assets classified as at fair value through profit or loss, which are initially measured at fair value (which is normally the transaction price excluding transaction costs), unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction. If an arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, the financial asset or financial liability is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are only offset in the statement of financial position when, and only when there exists a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and the charity intends either to settle on a net basis, or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Financial assets are derecognised when and only when a) the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire or are settled, b) the charity transfers to another party substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset, or c) the charity, despite having retained some, but not all, significant risks and rewards of ownership, has transferred control of the asset to another party.

Financial liabilities are derecognised only when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expires.

Investments

Investments in subsidiaries and associates are measured at cost less impairment. For investments in subsidiaries acquired for consideration including the issue of shares qualifying for merger relief, cost is measured by reference to the nominal value of the shares issued plus fair value of other consideration. Any premium is ignored.

2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Donations and legacies;			
Gift aid from trading subsidiary	90,887	90,887	86,932
	90,887	90,887	86,932

3 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Subscriptions	8,030	8,030	15,423
Other Income	1,735	1,735	4,645
Grant Income	13,294	13,294	1,585
	23,059	23,059	21,653

4 Investment income

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Interest receivable and similar income;			
Interest receivable on bank deposits	3,227	3,227	3,402

5 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Prizes and Awards	22,426	22,426	25,536
Salaries	61,973	61,973	56,631
Conference Costs	7,772	7,772	9,066
Subscriptions	2,530	2,530	847
Admin costs	5,877	5,877	2,610
Travel costs	-	-	185
Other Costs	2,500	2,500	-
Bank charges and fees	19	19	76
Governance costs	4,404	4,404	7,163
	107,501	107,501	102,114

6 Analysis of governance and support costs

Governance costs

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Independent examiner fees			
Examination of the financial statements	2,304	2,304	2,544
Other fees paid to examiners	2,100	2,100	4,619
	4,404	4,404	7,163

7 Grant-making

Analysis of grants

	Grants to institutions		Grants to individuals	
	2025 £	2024 £	2025 £	2024 £
Analysis				
Grants - Prizes and Awards	-	-	22,426	25,536

8 Trustees remuneration and expenses

No trustees, nor any persons connected with them, have received any remuneration from the charity during the year.

No trustees have received any other benefits from the charity during the year.

9 Staff costs

The aggregate payroll costs were as follows:

	2025 £	2024 £
Staff costs during the year were:		
Wages and salaries	61,973	56,631

The monthly average number of persons (including senior management / leadership team) employed by the charity during the year expressed as full time equivalents was as follows:

	2025 No	2024 No
Support Staff	13	11

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 during the year

10 Independent examiner's remuneration

	2025 £	2024 £
Examination of the financial statements	2,304	2,544
Other fees to examiners		
All other services	2,100	4,619

11 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

12 Fixed asset investments

	2025 £	2024 £
Shares in group undertakings and participating interests	100	100

Shares in group undertakings and participating interests

	Subsidiary undertakings £	Total £
Cost		
At 1 January 2025	100	100
At 31 December 2025	100	100
Net book value		
At 31 December 2025	100	100
At 31 December 2024	100	100

Details of undertakings

Details of the investments in which the charity holds 20% or more of the nominal value of any class of share capital are as follows:

Undertaking	Country of incorporation	Holding	Proportion of voting rights and shares held		Principal activity
			2025	2024	
Subsidiary undertakings					
BAAS Publications Ltd	England	Ordinary Shares	100%	100%	Publication of journals to encourage education and advance study of the United States.

13 Debtors

	2025	2024
	£	£
Due from group undertakings	55,674	132,451

14 Cash and cash equivalents

	2025	2024
	£	£
Cash at bank	264,991	236,641
Short-term deposits	20,746	20,684
	285,737	257,325

15 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Other taxation and social security	5,757	25,949
Other creditors	9,385	42,274
Accruals	-	4,956
	15,142	73,179

16 Funds

	Balance at 1 January 2025 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 December 2025 £
Unrestricted funds				
General	316,697	117,173	(107,501)	326,369

	Balance at 1 January 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 December 2024 £
Unrestricted funds				
General	306,824	111,987	(102,114)	316,697

17 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds at 31 December 2025 £
Fixed asset investments	100	100
Current assets	341,411	341,411
Current liabilities	(15,142)	(15,142)
Total net assets	326,369	326,369

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds at 31 December 2024 £
Fixed asset investments	100	100
Current assets	389,776	389,776
Current liabilities	(73,179)	(73,179)
Total net assets	316,697	316,697

18 Analysis of net funds

	At 1 January 2025 £	Financing cash flows £	At 31 December 2025 £
Cash at bank and in hand	257,325	28,412	285,737
Net debt	257,325	28,412	285,737

	At 1 January 2024 £	Financing cash flows £	At 31 December 2024 £
Cash at bank and in hand	341,853	(84,528)	257,325
Net debt	341,853	(84,528)	257,325

19 Related party transactions

During the year the charity made the following related party transactions:

BAAS Publications Ltd
(The Charity holds 100% of the called up share capital of this company)
The Charity receives gift aid payments from the company and also pays expenses on its behalf. At the balance sheet date the amount due from BAAS Publications Ltd was £55,675 (2024 - £132,451).