CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	Charity Name Preoperative Association		
On accounts for the year ended	31 March 2026	**Charity no (if any)**	1200997

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 / 03 / 2026.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

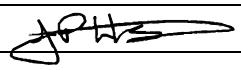
I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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 which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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

I have no concerns and 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.

Signed:		**Date:**	20 October 2026
Name:	Jeremy Kitson		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	FCA		
Address:	Prime Chartered Accountants Corner Oak, 1 Homer Road Solihull West Midlands B91 3QG		

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The Preoperative Association	No (if any)

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01.04.25	To	31.03.26

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Foundation and pharmacist course delegate fees	47,915	-	-	47,915	36,915
Conference delegate fees	9,675	-	-	9,675	72,260
Conference trade stand fees	13,022	-	-	13,022	10,077
Interest	3,686	-	-	3,686	849
Miscellaneous income	-	-	-	-	990
Stripe membership income	22,040	-	-	22,040	14,224
Sale nursing guidelines	234			234	1,305
Refunds				-	1,264
Masters Course income	5,500			5,500	
EMD reconcilliation	19,952			19,952	38,038
Saving deposits		-	-	-	-
Sub total *(Gross income for AR)*	122,024	-	-	122,024	175,922
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	122,024	-	-	122,024	175,922
A3 Payments					
Foundation course expenses	17,192	-	-	17,192	9,844
Website & marketing	21,213	-	-	21,213	18,076
AAGBI admin invoices	94	-	-	94	5,207
EMD monthly conference invoices	12,018	-	-	12,018	8,276
MSc course expenses	3,456	-	-	3,456	6,426
EMD course fees	11,365	-	-	11,365	3,924
Board member expenses	737	-	-	737	55
Conference board & speaker expenses	3,720			3,720	2,711
Conference invoices	55,177	-	-	55,177	31,123
Zoom subscription	795			795	
Pharmacist course expenses	4,884			4,884	
EMD monthly address/office support invoices	1,080			1,080	
Accountants invoices	3,000			3,000	
Refunds	1,180	-	-	1,180	275
Sub total	135,912	-	-	135,912	85,917
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	135,912	-	-	135,912	85,917
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 13,888	-	-	- 13,888	90,005
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	273,746	-	-	273,746	-
Cash funds this year end	259,858	-	-	259,858	90,005

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	259,858		-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Anjna	Anjna Patel (President)	13/08/2025

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	April	2025		31	March	2026

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	The Preoperative Association
Other names charity is known by	
Registered charity number (if any)	**1200997**
Charity's principal address	Unit 9, Hydra Business Park,
	Nether Lane
	Sheffield
Postcode	S35 9ZX

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Anjna Patel	President		Preoperative Association board
2	Henry Murdoch	Past President		Preoperative Association board
3	Cathryn Eitel	Secretary		Preoperative Association board
4	Claire Robards	Treasurer		Preoperative Association board
5	Simon Lewis	Trustee		Preoperative Association board
6	Rob Hill	Trustee		Preoperative Association board
7	Christina Reihill	Trustee		Preoperative Association board
8	Ciara Mitchell	Trustee		Preoperative Association board
9	Sarah Tinsley	Trustee		Preoperative Association board
10	Hinesh Patel	Trustee	24.09.25 - date	Preoperative Association board
11	Sanjay Wijayatilake	Trustee	24.09.25 - date	Preoperative Association board
12	Todd Leckie	Trainee Representative	24.09.25 - date	Preoperative Association board
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
NA	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Accountant	Prime Accountants Group.	5 Argosy Court, Scimitar Way, Whitley Business Park, Coventry, CV3 4GA

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

NA

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	CIO constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	CIO
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Advert CV – distributed to board for review Shortlist Interview by two members from Board of Trustees

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The objects of the society are:
The advancement of health for the public benefit through improvements to patient safety by:

(a) Education, information and support including the production of evidenced-based guidelines for inter-professional healthcare teams involved in preoperative assessment health checks and ensuring patients fitness for surgery

(b) Education in the science and practice of preoperative assessment and medicine by the conduct of a conference, meetings, study days and training events

(c) Promoting best practice through research, and the publication of the results such research, audit and consensus

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

1) Delivery of the annual national conference

2) Continued position as leading providers of preoperative assessment education courses for nurses and allied health professionals (AHPs) in the UK. Three courses were delivered during this period in Chichester, Cardiff and Cheltenham, with expansion at an additional venue in Glasgow for the following year.

3) Ongoing collaboration with University of West England, delivering the first university accredited level 7 Master's module in preoperative assessment. Since its launch in October 2024, the programme has demonstrated increasing uptake and will continue annually, with the next module scheduled for September 2026.

4) Continued delivery of a dedicated course for pharmacists working in preoperative assessment, following its successful launch and strong demand in the previous year

5) Regular delivery of online webinars to support education and training, supported by ongoing investment in a digital platform to enhance accessibility and reach of educational content

6) Expansion of a multidisciplinary Education Faculty, comprising of anaesthetists, nurses and pharmacists to support with the development and delivery of all courses

7) Provision of educational resources through website links, guidelines, and nursing competency handbooks.

8) Ongoing website development, including dedicated members access to guidelines, resources, and recorded educational content such as webinar and conference presentations

9) Launch of a one-day online cardiology symposium, with intention to expand international participation, and develop further specialist educational offerings

10) Further focus on membership growth and engagement, increasing membership to approximately 850 members

11) Strengthening strategic partnerships and collaboration with key organisations, including: The Royal College of Anaesthetists (RCoA), Centre of Perioperative Care (CPOC), Getting It Right First Time (GIRFT), Association of Paediatric Anaesthetists of Great Britain and

Ireland (APAGBI), British Association Of Day Surgery (BADS), Welsh Perioperative Medicine Network (W-POMS) and Scottish Perioperative Medicine Society (SPOMS)

12) Contribution to development, review and endorsement of guidelines in collaboration with CPOC, APAGBI and RCoA

13) Launch of a practical toolkit to support the development of pharmacy roles within preoperative assessment services, in collaboration with CPOC and UK Clinical Pharmacy Association (UKCPA)

14) Introduction of a formal research and project grant application process, encouraging innovation, shared learning and advancement within the specialty

15) Enhanced digital presence and social media engagement to broaden reach, improve visibility and facilitate dissemination of initiatives

16) Exploring digital systems for financial management and accounting software to strengthen governance and efficiency processes

17) Maintain financial stability of the charity, with consideration of further investment opportunities, enhance membership benefits and support the charitable objectives

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

A formal application process has been established for research and project grants with a limit of £15,000 to cover all, or part costs for projects. The grant is exclusively available to members of The Preoperative Association and with the intention to promote innovation, research and shared learning within the specialty. Successful grant recipients are required to present their project outcomes at the annual national conference and to submit a formal written report.

All trustees hold voluntary positions including attending regular board meetings, the Annual General Meeting, organising and running the annual conference, teaching on study days, webinars, educational days and the everyday running of the charity such as those tasks undertaken by the secretary and treasurer. Members of the Education Faculty are remunerated at a standardised, agreed rate for facilitating the delivery of certain courses, ensuring consistency and supporting the sustainable provision of the educational courses.

Section D Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

1) Delivery of the annual national conference, achieving the highest attendance and number of abstract submissions to date
2) Successful launch and continued growth of the Level 7 Master's module, with increasing uptake since its introduction in October 2024
3) Further expansion of the foundation programme to four locations across the UK, improving geographical accessibility
4) Continued success of online webinars supporting education and training initiatives. Introduction of a parallel series specifically designed to support anaesthetic trainees with meeting learning outcomes from the RCoA syllabus
5) Sustained membership growth, reaching a total of 850 members
6) Active contribution of the development, review and endorsement of clinical guidelines in partnership with key national organisations.
7) Comprehensive review and enhancement of foundation course educational content, ensuring alignment with national competency frameworks and standards
8) Expansion of the Board of Trustees, broadening expertise and supporting the continued growth and development of the charity

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves	Any monies above the FSCS protection limit of £120,000 will be held in a savings account or appropriately reinvested. A 12-month fixed-rate savings account with Shawbrook is due to mature and be closed on 14.05.26, after which alternative investment options will be considered. An easy-access savings account with Hampshire Trust Bank was opened on 05.09.25.
Details of any funds materially in deficit	NA

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

The principal sources of income are from educational course fees, membership subscriptions, webinars and the annual national conference.

Expenditure of the funds has been directed towards website development and maintenance to enhance member access and engagement; and with costs associated with design, delivery and expansion of educational courses, webinars and the annual conference.

The Board of Trustees are in the process of developing a formal investment policy to ensure that surplus funds are managed effectively and to enable the charity to capitalise on appropriate investment opportunities, while maintaining financial stability and aligning with its charitable aims.

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Anjna Patel	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	President	

Date	13/08/2026