Charity Registration No. 212662

THE GUILD OF PASTORAL PSYCHOLOGY

TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

The Trustees have pleasure in presenting their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2025.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered charity name
The Guild of Pastoral Psychology

Charity registration number
212662

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The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and the Charities SORP "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)".

Objectives and activities
The objects of the Charity are to advance education in depth psychology and its relationship to religion and spirituality, in particular in relation to the discoveries deriving from the work of C.G. Jung. Through its activities, the Guild offers new perspectives into religion and its symbols, and their relevance to ordinary life. Membership of the Guild is open to all who wish to explore a spiritual quest enhanced by the insights of depth psychology.

We have referred to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit in planning our activities. In particular the Trustees are careful to consider how planned activities contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

Achievements and performance

EVENTS

We launched our Programme for 2025 with Renee Cunningham exploring a Jungian approach to forgiveness, a stimulating presentation that carefully opened up this avenue, guiding us towards an archetypal understanding of this misunderstood phenomenon.

In February, Nancy Swift Furlotti spoke about C. G. Jung and Erich Neumann. In 1933, Neumann left Germany for Palestine, stopping in Zurich to work with Jung. Despite a 30-year age gap, they became close friends, with ongoing meetings and discussions on evil and consciousness, starting from Neumann's challenge to Jung's views on National Socialism. This was a very thought-provoking lecture that raised issues very pertinent to our time.

In April, we had what will probably be the last of our in-person and online seminars with Jim Fitzpatrick, a friend of the Guild. The Bible often references farming elements like seedtime, harvest, and unpredictable growing seasons. Jesus' Gospel stories reflect his familiarity with field work—whether it's the right soil for sowing or the necessity of seed dying in the earth to spawn new life. Ultimately, he speaks of the Kairos harvest, when everything is gathered and judged as future treasure. This illustrates a parable of the Individuation process and the soul's destiny.

Unfortunately, the in-person attendance at the Essex Church in London was so small that we decided to do most of these presentations as Webinars.

Our May Spring conference, initially planned as a hybrid event with in-person and online sessions, shifted to fully online due to low in-person attendance. Despite this, the content remained engaging. Allan Frater's opening talk covered dreams, especially waking dreams, which persist after waking. Waking dream practice, also called 'active imagination' or 'guided imagery,' uses the spontaneous creativity and therapeutic potential of this in-between state of consciousness. The workshop discussed recent developments, incorporating complexity theory, fractal geometry, eco-therapy, and transpersonal psychology. It outlined core principles and a practical, image-centric approach to psychotherapy, applicable to art, memory, future fantasies, present perceptions, and transference in both individual and group settings. The second talk was interactive, focusing on Active Imagination. Using active imagination, artmaking, and alchemy, we explored ways to enliven a personal relationship with the ego/self-axis.

Summer saw us deliver a Webinar in June entitled - In Service to the Inexplicable and Paradoxical with Jeffrey Kiehl. Jung's view of the psyche emphasizes opposites and their role in individuation. He believed that embracing life's paradoxical and inexplicable events reveals the sacredness in everyday life. We explored Jung's work on opposites, including personal experiences of the paradoxical. We were encouraged to engage with paradox, which requires trans-rational knowledge, an idea that influenced Jung's ideas on the psyche-matter connection and extended consciousness beyond rationality.

The summer's annual conference was held at High Leigh Conference Centre in Hoddesdon, Hertfordshire. Guild Trustee Lynne Radomsky from South Africa spoke on 'Dancing with God - Striving for Wholeness,' exploring archetypal patterns in the African psyche. She discussed the calling to initiation, a ritual in African healing tradition that symbolises the path to individuation, connecting to the divine, and achieving healing. This striving for wholeness is symbolised by the conjunction, representing the unity of spirit and nature in alchemy and Jungian psychology. She was ably assisted in this work by Maxim Ilyashenko and Robert Mark. They delivered supplementary talks and a drumming workshop. The venue proved rather unsatisfactory, particularly in failing to provide the online technology we had explicitly requested. We decided to review our conferences and to deliver all of next year's programme online.

We entered Autumn with a follow-up from Brenda Crowther's highly popular Red Book Seminars. These were the themes that Brenda explored.
1. The Spirit of this Time and the Spirit of the Depths
2. Descent into Hell in the Future
3. The Conception of the God and the Christian God
4. Being True to Love

These were fully oversubscribed, and we thank Brenda for her time and for her vivid exploration of this important book.

Autumn saw us deliver two events based around the feminine. First a lecture by the excellent Paul Bishop called The Eternal Feminine Draws us on High. In Hellenistic philosophy and Judeo-Christian theology, Sophia symbolizes Divine Wisdom. Recently, Orthodox theology's Sophiology has gained attention, inspired by thinkers like Solovyov, Florensky, and Bulgakov. Sophia appears in Jacob Boehme's thought, with 2024 marking his 400th death anniversary and 2025 his 450th birth anniversary. This prompts an examination of Sophia's significance in the work of a key Reformation mystic influenced by Goethe. In Faust's ending, Faust is redeemed in a post-mortem world, contrasting with the original legend. The line "The Eternal Feminine / Draws us on high" suggests Sophia shares in divine grace. This was a compelling and detailed study that rewarded the careful attention the participants paid to it.

Secondly, we ended the year with Sharon Blackie discussing Older Women in European Myth and Fairy Tales. Western culture lacks a clear image of female elders, often ignoring or mocking them. Folklore depicts diverse older women who embody wisdom, guide others, and give back to Earth and community, from Tricksters to Mentors. It was well attended and a fitting end to the year.

Adrian, our new Chair, hosted the winter online gathering which celebrated the 150th anniversary of our Founder Patron, C.G. Jung. It was a feast of reflections, memories, and contributions that conveyed the spirit of what Jung has meant to those who attended through poems, quotes, stories, and personal reflections. It was a great event.

Trustees recognize their responsibilities in identifying risks, and in ensuring that appropriate policies and controls are in place to mitigate the identified risks. The Trustees have monitored external risks and increasingly sought to minimise internal risks through the operation of proper procedures.

Financial Review

2025 saw the Events in the year return a loss of approx. £6.6k (after reimbursement of trustee expenses which are disclosed separately from event costs) with the Summer Conference being the main reason for this, with a loss of £5.6K.

Membership revenues fell by approx. 6% following an increase in 2024, however they remain above 2023 levels and comparable with 2022.

Administration and Governance costs saw a slight decrease from £30K to £28.7K, albeit a large proportion of this drop came from the reduced depreciation charge and therefore this doesn't necessarily represent a real cash saving.

The accounts show a net deficit (before investment gains) of just over £9k, a disappointing change from the small surplus seen last year. Whilst the Guild is lucky enough to continue to be in receipt of legacies, in 2025 these were much reduced over those seen in 2024 and 2023 before it. The charity's investments continue to perform well, with a £13.3K gain in 2025 (excluding £4.4K of interest and dividends received) bringing the overall surplus to £4k.

Trustees still maintain the desire to achieve an operating breakeven position meaning that the review of membership and conference income continues as noted elsewhere in this report.

Risk Management

Trustees recognize their responsibilities in identifying risks, and in ensuring that appropriate policies and controls are in place to mitigate the identified risks. The Trustees have monitored external risks and increasingly sought to minimise internal risks through the operation of proper procedures.

Plans for future periods

The Guild plans to continue to achieve its charitable educational purpose by using a combination of webinars, live events and hybrid events which are live and live-streamed. We will continue to review how to achieve the best balance of these different forms of presentation to benefit our members.

We hope to continue to increase our membership and note that the webinar format enables far-reaching and international participation of both audience and speakers.

We are continuing to implement a comprehensive overhaul of the Guild. We are reformatting our Archive so it can be integrated into a new website. We are inviting tenders for a new specification to ensure we deliver a fully functional web presence by the end of 2026. This will include a new membership structure. The successful company will also assist us with managing our publicity, marketing, and social media. We believe this will help us grow our membership and increase participation in the Guild's vibrant and relevant Programme of events. Additionally, we are developing strategies, including a YouTube channel, to enhance the online fellowship experience for guild members and beyond.

With this in mind, trustees are aware of our persistent pattern of small annual operating losses and plan to reduce these in the coming several years.

Structure, governance and management

The Guild is an unincorporated charity with a Board of Trustees answerable to its membership. Its rules within its constitution define procedures and protocols for the effective governance of the charity.

The Trustees met five times during the year using Zoom virtual meetings and communicated with members through both electronic and postal mailings.

Each of the Trustees participates in one or more of the following Working Groups - Finance, Website and Communications, Editorial, Publicity and Programme, Organisational Redesign. Each of these groups has done valuable work, keeping the Trustees informed through regular reporting.

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

CG Adkins	
D Keeling	
J Keeling	
P Newman	
L Oglesby	
S Ouertani	(Resigned 18 June 2025)
L Radomsky	
A Scott	
T Sims	
Dr S Taylor	(Resigned 30 June 2025)
M Clarke	(Resigned 7 February 2025)

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

A Scott
Chair
Dated: 26th July 2026

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE GUILD OF PASTORAL PSYCHOLOGY

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of The Guild of Pastoral Psychology (the charity) for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act 2011.

Independent examiner's statement

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared the financial statements in accordance with the relevant version of the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has now been withdrawn. I understand that this has been done in order for the financial statements to provide a true and fair view in accordance with UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no 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 the charity as required by section 130 of the Charities Act 2011.

2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or

3 the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of financial statements set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the financial statements 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 financial statements to be reached.

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Dated: 28/7/2026

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Income from:			
Donations and legacies	3	20,897	32,836
Charitable activities	4	13,304	22,324
Investments	5	4,431	5,105
Total income		38,632	60,265
Expenditure on:			
Charitable activities	6	47,751	57,032
Total expenditure		47,751	57,032
Net gains/(losses) on investments	9	13,289	9,119
Net income and movement in funds		4,170	12,352
Reconciliation of funds:			
Fund balances at 1 January 2025		241,947	229,595
Fund balances at 31 December 2025		246,117	241,947

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2025

	Notes	2025 £	2025 £	2024 £	2024 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	11		1,589		3,272
Investments	12		197,399		182,266
			198,988		185,538
Current assets					
Debtors	13	3,732		6,922	
Cash at bank and in hand		46,475		52,278	
		50,207		59,200	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	14	(3,078)		(2,791)	
Net current assets			47,129		56,409
Total assets less current liabilities			246,117		241,947
The funds of the charity					
Unrestricted funds	15		246,117		241,947
			246,117		241,947

The financial statements were approved by the trustees on 20th June 2026

A Scott
Chair

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

The Guild of Pastoral Psychology is an unincorporated Charity registered with the Charity Commission for England & Wales (212662). It's governing document is its 1947 Constitution, as amended on 1 March 2001 and 5 December 2001.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure has involved following the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102 rather than the version of the Statement of Recommended Practice which is referred to in the Regulations but which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors or grantors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Endowment funds are subject to specific conditions by donors that the capital must be maintained by the charity.

1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

1 Accounting policies (Continued)

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges are allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Equipment	25% straight line

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

1.7 Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments are initially measured at transaction price excluding transaction costs, and are subsequently measured at fair value at each reporting date. Changes in fair value are recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred.

1.8 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.9 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

1 Accounting policies (Continued)

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2025	2024
	£	£
Donations, legacies and gifts	10,039	21,264
Subscriptions	10,858	11,572

4 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Oxford Conference	-	15,860
Sale of Guild Papers	108	264
Spring Conference	525	1,830
Summer conference	8,202	-
Autumn Conference	-	45
Lecture income	4,469	4,325
	13,304	22,324

5 Income from investments

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Dividends	2,604	2,858
Bank interest receivable	1,827	2,247
	4,431	5,105

6 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Oxford conference	-	20,464
Sale of guild papers	150	795
Summer conference	13,954	-
Autumn conference	-	(294)
Spring conference	600	2,742
Lecture expenses	4,685	3,372
Administration costs	24,588	24,979
	43,977	52,058
Governance costs (see note 7)	3,774	4,974
	47,751	57,032

7 Support costs

	2025	2024
	£	£
Governance costs	3,774	4,974

Governance costs comprise:	2025 £	2024 £
Depreciation	1,683	2,315
Accountancy	1,569	1,390
Trustee Expenses	522	1,269
	3,774	4,974

8 Trustees

2 Trustees received remuneration totalling £2,525 (2024 - 2 Trustees remunerated £1,300) for speaker fees and editing work during the year, and 3 Trustees were reimbursed a total of £522 travelling and conference expenses (2024 - 8 were reimbursed £1,269). 3 Trustees also received total discounts on conference fees of £170.

9 Gains and losses on investments

	Unrestricted funds 2025	Unrestricted funds 2024
	£	£
Revaluation of investments	13,289	9,119

10 Taxation

The charity is exempt from taxation on its activities because all its income is applied for charitable purposes.

11 Tangible fixed assets

	Fixtures and fittings
	£
Cost	
At 1 January 2025	57,801
At 31 December 2025	57,801
Depreciation and impairment	
At 1 January 2025	54,529
Depreciation charged in the year	1,683
At 31 December 2025	56,212
Carrying amount	
At 31 December 2025	1,589
At 31 December 2024	3,272

12 Fixed asset investments

	Listed investments	Other investments	Cash in portfolio	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cost or valuation				
At 1 January 2025	72,946	103,617	5,703	182,266
Additions	22,430	28,840	-	51,270
Valuation changes	6,150	7,138	(687)	12,601
At 31 December 2025	101,526	139,595	5,016	246,137
Impairment				
At 1 January 2025	-	-	-	-
Disposals	10,668	38,070	-	48,738
At 31 December 2025	10,668	38,070	-	48,738
Carrying amount				
At 31 December 2025	90,858	101,525	5,016	197,399
At 31 December 2024	72,946	103,617	5,703	182,266

13 Debtors

	2025	2024
Amounts falling due within one year:	£	£
Prepayments and accrued income	3,732	6,922

14 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	3,078	2,791

15 Unrestricted funds

The unrestricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants which are not subject to specific conditions by donors and grantors as to how they may be used. These include designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes.

	At 1 January 2025	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Gains and losses	At 31 December 2025
	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	241,947	38,632	(47,751)	13,289	246,117

Previous year:	At 1 January 2024	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Gains and losses	At 31 December 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	229,595	60,265	(57,032)	9,119	241,947