The British Society for the Philosophy of Science

(Registered charity, number 267625)

Financial statements
for the year ended 31 December 2025

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Trustees' annual report
for the year ended 31 December 2025

Full name The British Society for the Philosophy of Science

Other names by which the charity is known BSPS

Registered charity number 267625

Principal address Department of Philosophy, London School of Economics, Houghton Street, London, WC2A 2AE

Trustees

Prof Robin Hendry, President
Dr Kirsten Walsh, Secretary
Dr Alexandria Boyle
Dr Neil Dewar
Dr Ellen Clarke
Dr Alexander Franklin, Treasurer
Prof James Ladyman
Dr Milena Ivanova, from 15/07/25
Dr Mazviita Chirimuuta, until 15/07/25

Independent examiner

Eva Stevens, employee of Community Accounting Plus, Units 1 & 2 North West, 41 Talbot Street, Nottingham, NG1 5GL

Governance and management

The charity is operated under the rules of its constitution adopted in 1960 and most recently amended 7th June 2010.

New trustees are elected from members of the society.

Objectives and activities

The principal object of the charity is to study the logic, the methods, and the philosophy of science, as well as those of the various special sciences, including the social sciences.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit

The BSPS holds an annual conference on the philosophy of science with invited speakers and contributed papers.
The BSPS awards doctoral studentships for doctoral work in the philosophy of science at a UK university.
The BSPS makes small grants to support conferences relevant to research and education in its areas of study.
The British Journal for the Philosophy of Science is published by Chicago University Press on behalf of the BSPS.
The BSPS gives its imprimatur to the University of Calgary open access monographs series on philosophy of science.

Activities benefit the public through supporting and disseminating research in the logic, the methods, and the philosophy of science.

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Public benefit statement
The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit, 'Charities and Public Benefit'.

Summary of the main achievements during the period
The BSPS 2025 Annual Conference was held in person at the University of Glasgow. The society supported William Wolf through the final months and the successful completion of his DPhil at the University of Oxford. The society supported Maya Tucker's doctoral studies at the University of Cambridge.
The British Journal for the Philosophy of Science was published by University of Chicago Press under Editors-in-Chief Prof Tim Lewens and Prof Robert Rupert.
The society offered financial support to conferences and workshops falling within its areas of interest.

The charity's policy on reserves
The society's policy is to maintain reserves approximately equal to three years' expenditure.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signed  Date 5 June 2026
Prof Robin Hendry, Trustee

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The British Society for the Philosophy of Science for the year ended 31 December 2025

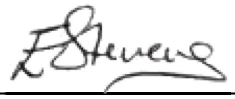
I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of The British Society for the Philosophy of Science (the charity) for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report
As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').
I report in respect of my examination of the charity's 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 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 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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.

Signed  Date 9th June 2026
Eva Stevens BSc, CPFA
Employee of Community Accounting Plus

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Receipts & payments account
for the year ended 31 December 2025

2024		***2025***
£		**£**
	Receipts	
159411	Share of surplus on sale of journal & membership fees	127290
1730	Bank interest	2881
-	Gain on conversion	100
161141	**Total receipts**	**130271**
	Payments	
4147	Conference grants & awards	13824
28122	Scholarships	24356
1026	Subscriptions	919
1000	Administration	2197
70585	Journal costs	73514
1110	Professional fees	1350
658	Bank charges	369
106648	**Total payments**	**116529**
54493	**Net receipts/(payments)**	**13742**
136822	Cash funds at start of this period	191315
191315	**Cash funds at end of this period**	**205057**

The British Society for the Philosophy of Science
Statement of assets and liabilities
at 31 December 2025

2024		***2025***
£	**Cash assets**	**£**
191315	Bank accounts	205057
191315		**205057**
	Other monetary assets	
159538	Investments	190905
159538		**190905**
	Assets retained for the charity's own use	
	General equipment.	
	Liabilities	
(1350)	Creditors - Independent examination fee	(1170)
(1350)		**(1170)**

These financial statements are accepted on behalf of the charity by:

Signed _____ Date 5th June 2026

Dr Alexander Franklin, Trustee

The British Society for the Philosophy of Science
Notes to the accounts
for the year ended 31 December 2025

1. **Receipts & payments accounts**
   Receipts and payments accounts contain a summary of money received and money spent during the period and a list of assets and liabilities at the end of the period. Usually, cash received and cash spent will include transactions through bank accounts and cash in hand.

2. **Previous period comparison**
   Prior year accounts were prepared on an accruals basis, the comparative figures in these accounts have been recalculated on a receipts and payments basis.

3. **Trustees' remuneration**
   Trustees received no expenses, remuneration or benefits in this period.

4. **Related party transactions**
   There were no related party transactions during the period.

5. **Glossary of terms**
   Creditors: These are amounts owed by the charity, but not paid during the accounting period.