

Narrative 4 Company Limited by Guarantee
Annual Report and Financial Statements
for the financial year ended 31 December 2024

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DIRECTORS AND OTHER INFORMATION

Directors	Colum McCann Katherine Nash Colm Mac Con Iomaire William Shipsey Suzanne Lopez
Company Secretary	Katherine Nash
Company Number	594852
Charity Number	20155254
Registered Office and Business Address	58 O'Connell Street Limerick Ireland
Auditors	Liston Lonergan Meade Chartered Accountants and Statutory Audit Firm Fourth and Fifth Floor Cornmarket Square Limerick
Bankers	Permanent TSB 131 O'Connell Street Limerick

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

for the financial year ended 31 December 2024

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2024.

Principal Activity and Review of the Business

The principal activity of the company is to advance education in all age groups and encourage participation in all forms of education through storytelling.

The Company is limited by guarantee not having a share capital.

There has been no significant change in these activities during the financial year ended 31 December 2024.

Principal Risks and Uncertainties

The company is currently dependent is on funding from its founding company Narrative 4 US, government bodies and benevolent organisations. A reduction or cessation of funding from these sources would have a significant adverse effect on the charity's ability to deliver its services and meet its charitable goals. While the charity strives to maintain strong relationships with its funders and to diversify funding sources, the possibility of funding changes remains a principal risk.

Financial Results

The deficit for the financial year after providing for depreciation amounted to €(560) (2023 - €(33,639)).

At the end of the financial year, the company has assets of €36,155 (2023 - €42,334) and liabilities of €7,760 (2023 - €13,379). The net assets of the company have decreased by €(560).

Directors and Secretary

The directors who served throughout the financial year were as follows:

Colum McCann
Katherine Nash
Colm Mac Con Iomaire
William Shipsey
Suzanne Lopez

The secretary who served throughout the financial year was Katherine Nash.

There were no changes in board personnel during the financial year 2022.

The directors held no interest in the company during the financial year.

In accordance with the Constitution, the directors retire by rotation and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Future Developments

The company plans to continue its present activities and current trading levels. Employees are kept as fully informed as practicable about developments within the business.

Post Statement of Financial Position Events

There have been no significant events affecting the company since the financial year-end.

Auditors

The auditors, Liston Lonergan Meade have indicated their willingness to continue in office in accordance with the provisions of section 383(2) of the Companies Act 2014.

Statement on Relevant Audit Information

In accordance with section 330 of the Companies Act 2014, so far as each of the persons who are directors at the time this report is approved are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the statutory auditors are unaware. The directors have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and they have established that the statutory auditors are aware of that information.

Narrative 4 Company Limited by Guarantee DIRECTORS' REPORT

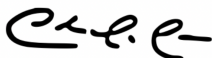
for the financial year ended 31 December 2024

Accounting Records

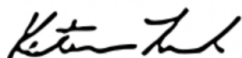
To ensure that adequate accounting records are kept in accordance with sections 281 to 285 of the Companies Act 2014, the directors have employed appropriately qualified accounting personnel and have maintained appropriate computerised accounting systems. The accounting records are located at the company's office at 58 O'Connell Street, Limerick.

Signed on behalf of the board

Colum McCann
Director



Katherine Nash
Director



10 October 2025

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DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT

for the financial year ended 31 December 2024

The directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable Irish law and regulations.

Irish company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under the law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the Companies Act 2014 and FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland", applying Section 1A of that Standard, issued by the Financial Reporting Council. Under company law, the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and financial position of the company as at the financial year end date and of the surplus or deficit of the company for the financial year and otherwise comply with the Companies Act 2014.

In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies for the company financial statements and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards, identify those standards, and note the effect and the reasons for any material departure from those standards; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for ensuring that the company keeps or causes to be kept adequate accounting records which correctly explain and record the transactions of the company, enable at any time the assets, liabilities, financial position and surplus or deficit of the company to be determined with reasonable accuracy, enable them to ensure that the financial statements and Directors' Report comply with the Companies Act 2014 and enable the financial statements to be readily and properly audited. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

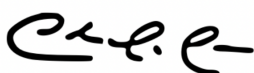
Disclosure of Information to Auditor

Each persons who are directors at the date of approval of this report confirms that:

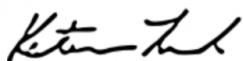
- there is no relevant audit information (information needed by the company's auditor in connection with preparing the auditor's report) of which the company's auditor is unaware, and
- the directors have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditor is aware of that information.

Signed on behalf of the board

Colum McCann
Director



Katherine Nash
Director



10 October 2025

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

to the Members of Narrative 4 Company Limited by Guarantee

Report on the audit of the financial statements

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Narrative 4 Company Limited by Guarantee ('the company') for the financial year ended 31 December 2024 which comprise the Income and Expenditure Account, the Statement of Financial Position, the Reconciliation of Members' Funds, the Cash Flow Statement and the related notes to the financial statements, including the summary of significant accounting policies set out in note 2. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is Irish Law and FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland", issued in the United Kingdom by the Financial Reporting Council, applying Section 1A of that Standard.

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and financial position of the company as at 31 December 2024 and of its deficit for the financial year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland", applying Section 1A of that Standard; and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2014.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (Ireland) (ISAs (Ireland)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are described below in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of financial statements in Ireland, including the Ethical Standard for Auditors (Ireland) issued by the Irish Auditing and Accounting Supervisory Authority (IAASA), and the Provisions Available for Audits of Small Entities, in the circumstances set out in note 5 to the financial statements, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the directors with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other Information

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our Auditor's Report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

to the Members of Narrative 4 Company Limited by Guarantee

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2014

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit, we report that:

- the information given in the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Directors' Report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

We have obtained all the information and explanations which, to the best of our knowledge and belief, are necessary for the purposes of our audit.

In our opinion the accounting records of the company were sufficient to permit the financial statements to be readily and properly audited and the financial statements are in agreement with the accounting records.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

Based on the knowledge and understanding of the company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified any material misstatements in the directors' report.

The Companies Act 2014 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion, the requirements of any of sections 305 to 312 of the Act, which relate to disclosures of directors' remuneration and transactions are not complied with by the Company. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Respective responsibilities

Responsibilities of directors for the financial statements

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement set out on page 6, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the applicable financial reporting framework that give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, if applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the company or to cease operation, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an Auditor's Report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (Ireland) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is contained in the appendix to this report, located at page 9, which is to be read as an integral part of our report.

The purpose of our audit work and to whom we owe our responsibilities

Our report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with section 391 of the Companies Act 2014. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an Auditor's Report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume any responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Brian Lonergan

for and on behalf of

LISTON LONERGAN MEADE

Chartered Accountants and Statutory Audit Firm

Fourth and Fifth Floor

Cornmarket Square

Limerick

10 October 2025

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APPENDIX TO THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Further information regarding the scope of our responsibilities as auditor

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (Ireland), we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the company's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our Auditor's Report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our Auditor's Report. However, future events or conditions may cause the company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

for the financial year ended 31 December 2024

	Notes	2024 €	2023 €
Income		248,746	193,797
Expenditure		(249,306)	(227,436)
Deficit before tax		(560)	(33,639)
Tax on deficit		-	-
Deficit for the financial year		(560)	(33,639)
Total comprehensive income		(560)	(33,639)

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

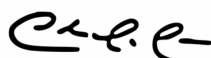
as at 31 December 2024

	Notes	2024 €	2023 €
Fixed Assets			
Tangible assets	8	13,934	20,911
Current Assets			
Debtors	9	2,055	-
Cash and cash equivalents		20,166	21,423
		22,221	21,423
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11	(7,760)	(13,379)
Net Current Assets		14,461	8,044
Total Assets less Current Liabilities		28,395	28,955
Reserves			
Income and expenditure account		28,395	28,955
Members' Funds		28,395	28,955

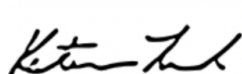
The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and in accordance with FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland", applying Section 1A of that Standard.

Approved by the board on 10 October 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

Colum McCann
Director



Katherine Nash
Director



Narrative 4 Company Limited by Guarantee
RECONCILIATION OF MEMBERS' FUNDS

as at 31 December 2024

	Retained surplus	Total
	€	€
At 1 January 2023	62,594	62,594
Deficit for the financial year	(33,639)	(33,639)
At 31 December 2023	28,955	28,955
Deficit for the financial year	(560)	(560)
At 31 December 2024	28,395	28,395

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CASH FLOW STATEMENT

for the financial year ended 31 December 2024

	Notes	2024 €	2023 €
Cash flows from operating activities			
Deficit for the financial year		(560)	(33,639)
Adjustments for:			
Depreciation		6,977	6,980
		<u>6,417</u>	<u>(26,659)</u>
Movements in working capital:			
Movement in debtors		(2,055)	29,950
Movement in creditors		(5,619)	8,989
		<u>(1,257)</u>	<u>12,280</u>
Cash (used in)/generated from operations			
		<u>(1,257)</u>	<u>12,280</u>
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents		(1,257)	12,280
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of financial year		21,423	9,143
		<u>21,423</u>	<u>9,143</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year	10	20,166	21,423
		<u><u>20,166</u></u>	<u><u>21,423</u></u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2024

1. General Information

Narrative 4 Company Limited by Guarantee is a company limited by guarantee incorporated and registered in Ireland. The registered number of the company is 594852. The registered office of the company is 58 O'Connell Street, Limerick, Ireland which is also the principal place of business of the company. The nature of the company's operations and its principal activities are set out in the Directors' Report. The financial statements have been presented in Euro (€) which is also the functional currency of the company.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the company's financial statements.

Statement of compliance

The financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 December 2024 have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of FRS 102 Section 1A (Small Entities) and the Companies Act 2014.

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis and in accordance with the historical cost convention except for certain properties and financial instruments that are measured at revalued amounts or fair values, as explained in the accounting policies below. Historical cost is generally based on the fair value of the consideration given in exchange for assets. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is the Companies Act 2014 and FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" Section 1A, issued by the Financial Reporting Council.

The company qualifies as a small company as defined by section 280A of the Companies Act 2014 in respect of the financial year, and has applied the rules of the 'Small Companies Regime' in accordance with section 280C of the Companies Act 2014 and Section 1A of FRS 102.

Income

Income comprises of funding received from benevolent organisations, grants, facilitator fees and charitable donations, all of which are recognised when received.

Tangible assets and depreciation

Tangible assets are stated at cost or at valuation, less accumulated depreciation. The charge to depreciation is calculated to write off the original cost or valuation of tangible assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives as follows:

Fixtures, fittings and equipment	- 12.5% Straight line
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The carrying values of tangible fixed assets are reviewed annually for impairment in periods if events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be recoverable.

Trade and other debtors

Trade and other debtors are initially recognised at fair value and thereafter stated at amortised cost using the effective interest method less impairment losses for bad and doubtful debts except where the effect of discounting would be immaterial. In such cases the receivables are stated at cost less impairment losses for bad and doubtful debts.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash at bank and in hand.

Trade and other creditors

Trade and other creditors are initially recognised at fair value and thereafter stated at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method, unless the effect of discounting would be immaterial, in which case they are stated at cost.

Taxation

The company has a Charitable Tax Exemption and therefore is exempt from Corporation Tax.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2024

3. Departure from Companies Act 2014 Presentation

The directors have elected to present an Income and Expenditure Account instead of a Profit and Loss Account in these financial statements as this company is a not-for-profit entity.

4. Going concern

The charity incurred excess expenditure of €560 in 2024 in addition to excess expenditure in the previous two financial years. It is dependent on funding from its founding company and other benevolent organizations to continue its operations.

The charity's directors believe that it remains appropriate to prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis for the following reasons;

- The Income and Expenditure Account for the first nine months of 2025 shows excess income
- Significant funding has been agreed for 2025. Within the first nine months, Airwallex UK and Creative Ireland have provided funding of €112,993 and €75,087 respectively. There is also further funding confirmed from the founding company and Creative Ireland before the year-end.

Based on the above, we are satisfied that the charity should be sufficiently funded to cover its projected outgoings for the next 12 months.

5. Provisions Available for Audits of Small Entities

In common with many other businesses of our size and nature, we use our auditors to assist with the preparation of the financial statements.

6. Operating deficit	2024	2023
	€	€
Operating deficit is stated after charging:		
Depreciation of tangible assets	6,977	6,980
	<u><u> </u></u>	<u><u> </u></u>

7. Employees

The average monthly number of employees, excluding directors, during the financial year was 4, (2023 - 4).

	2024	2023
	Number	Number
Employee	4	4
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for the financial year ended 31 December 2024

8. Tangible assets

	Fixtures, fittings and equipment €	Total €
Cost		
At 1 January 2024	55,843	55,843
At 31 December 2024	55,843	55,843
Depreciation		
At 1 January 2024	34,932	34,932
Charge for the financial year	6,977	6,977
At 31 December 2024	41,909	41,909
Net book value		
At 31 December 2024	13,934	13,934
At 31 December 2023	20,911	20,911
9. Debtors	2024	2023
	€	€
Trade debtors	2,055	-
10. Cash and cash equivalents	2024	2023
	€	€
Cash and bank balances	20,166	21,423
11. Creditors	2024	2023
Amounts falling due within one year	€	€
Trade creditors	2,498	3,516
Taxation	3,362	7,963
Accruals	1,900	1,900
	7,760	13,379

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2024

12. State Funding

Agency	State Bodies
Government Department	Department of Tourism
Grant Programme	Creative Ireland
Purpose of the Grant	The purpose of the grant is to build bridges between teenagers North and South by utilising the research-backed Narrative 4 model of story exchange.
Term	August 2024 to November 2025
Expenditure details	Sessions facilitated by youth workers, artist led workshops and masterclasses, weekend in-person exchanges, excursions, anthology, illustrations, media, evaluation and book launch.
Total grant amount	€180,000
Received in the financial year	€12,900
Grant type	Revenue grant
Restriction of use	Cover outlay listed in Creative Ireland SLA
Tax clearance status	Compliant

13. Status

The liability of the members is limited.

Every member of the company undertakes to contribute to the assets of the company in the event of its being wound up while they are members, or within one year thereafter, for the payment of the debts and liabilities of the company contracted before they ceased to be members, and of the costs, charges and expenses of winding up, and for the adjustment of the rights of the contributors among themselves, such amount as may be required, not exceeding € 2.

14. Capital commitments

The company had no material capital commitments at the financial year-ended 31 December 2024.

15. Events After the End of the Reporting Period

There have been no significant events affecting the company since the financial year-end.

16. Approval of financial statements

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board of directors on 10 October 2025.

NARRATIVE 4 COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

RELATING TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

NOT COVERED BY THE AUDITORS REPORT

THE FOLLOWING PAGES DO NOT FORM PART OF THE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Narrative 4 Company Limited by Guarantee
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION RELATING TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
TRADING STATEMENT
for the financial year ended 31 December 2024

	Schedule	2024 €	2023 €
Income		248,746	193,797
Gross surplus Percentage		100.0%	100.0%
Overhead expenses	1	(249,306)	(227,436)
Net deficit		(560)	(33,639)

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION RELATING TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
SCHEDULE 1 : OVERHEAD EXPENSES
for the financial year ended 31 December 2024

	2024 €	2023 €
Administration Expenses		
Wages and salaries	142,495	132,818
Social welfare costs	16,484	14,760
Staff defined contribution pension costs	11,761	7,000
Rent payable	450	-
Insurance	3,476	3,081
Cleaning	1,548	1,470
Repairs and maintenance	1,240	752
Printing, postage and stationery	2,394	14,285
Advertising and marketing	975	4,837
Telephone	2,471	1,909
Computer and software costs	637	580
Motor and travel expenses	1,377	336
Travelling and entertainment	2,831	5,514
Legal and professional	22,325	1,200
Programs and outreach	17,005	19,578
Accountancy	10,884	10,762
Bank charges	137	179
Staff welfare	3,369	232
General expenses	413	955
Subscriptions	57	208
Depreciation of tangible assets	6,977	6,980
	<u>249,306</u>	<u>227,436</u>