

RCPsych Annual General Meeting 1 July 2020

Report of the Treasurer



I have been Treasurer for four of my five-year term of Office. I have pleasure to present the Financial Report for the College year ending in December 2019.

The details are included in the Annual report and I will therefore present a summary.

The income received in 2019 was £21.5m (£19.9m in 2018)

The expenditure was £21.5m (£21.3m in 2018).

Overall the College had a surplus of £1,623k, of which £1,602k was from gains on our investments.

The unrestricted surplus was £186k, excluding changes in valuations and one off items.

In 2018 we had a deficit of £1,810k (after substantial investment of £617k in improving our IT services and a loss of £377k on our investments). In 2018 we had an unrestricted deficit of £212k, excluding investment losses and one off items.

We spent £103k on the building, which came from the building repairs fund.

Income

Our main sources of income were from Education and Training: 34%

Standard setting and research: 33%

Membership services and support: 29%

Our Membership grew from 18,364 to 18,700

Expenditure

Our main expenditure was on standard setting and research: 41%

Education and Training: 29%

Membership services and support: 17%

Communication and policy: 11%

So, in summary the College had a successful year in 2019, and we were able to sustain 6 months reserves.

Impact of COVID 19

As you are all aware, COVID-19 has impacted on every aspect of our lives, and the College has been affected, with the cancellation of the International Congress and all our training and events. As a result, we were forecasting a loss of £2m for 2020. Through the prudent action and efforts of the SMT and Officers, who meet weekly, we have reduced the forecast loss to £1.4m through reducing posts, freezing vacancies and reducing expenditure where we can. Fortunately, we moved our investment to sustainable funds in January 2020, which prevented us seeing a loss of over £1m as COVID struck.

We are constantly focused on ensuring we provide value for money in all our activities to ensure all our income, including membership income, is used wisely.

Despite our predicted loss of £1.4m we have continued to support the Devolved Nations, Divisions, Faculties and SIGs. We have invested in our Digital efforts, including free Webinars viewed by more than 25,000 people and other events that are being developed. We are fortunate to have the reserves to allow us to do this but must aim to generate a surplus in 2021.

I would like to thank Calum, Mehmet, Ewa, the rest of the Finance Team and Members and Trustees who sit on the Finance Management Team. Their advice and support is invaluable. I would also like to thank my Fellow Officers Wendy, Adrian and Kate.

Dr Jan Falkowski, Treasurer

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