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A company limited by guarantee

Financial Report and Accounts

For the Year ended 31 July 2010

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Multiple Sclerosis Trust

Trustees' Report For the year ended 31 July 2010

Mission and Objectives

The MS Trust vision is to enable people with MS to live their lives to the full. We provide:

- information that is tailored to what people want to know
- education for health professionals about what people with MS need
- research into better management of MS
- support for anyone affected by MS

The MS Trust exists to help everyone affected by MS. Around 100,000 people in the UK are diagnosed with MS, which remains the most common cause of disability in young adults. Because diagnosis is usually in their 20s and 30s, the impact on the individual and their family is huge.

Whilst acknowledging that a diagnosis of MS can be devastating for both the individual and the family, the MS Trust believes that with good information and the support of specialist professionals, positive steps can be taken to improve and maintain quality of life.

The MS Trust believes that people with MS should:

- have access to high quality services to enable them to maintain as active a lifestyle as possible
- have access to trained health care professionals such as MS specialist nurses and therapists
- be equal partners with the professionals in making choices about their health care
- have the information to help make the **right** choices for them

Objectives and Activities for the public benefit

The objects of the MS Trust are to enable people with MS to live their lives to the full by providing: information to people with MS, their families and carers; education to health professionals and research into better management of MS. The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the MS Trust's aims and objectives and in planning future activities. In particular, the Trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

Achievements and Performance

The MS Trust's vision, mission and objectives remain unchanged from 2009. We continue to operate as an independent, nationally recognised organisation working with the relevant umbrella charitable bodies and professional organisations to help people affected by MS, and to develop the specialist health services that they need.

Information

Our personal information service is our core objective and this year we have transferred access to a freephone number. 'Phone calls and email are still the most popular ways of contacting us, although contact via our website, Facebook and Twitter is increasing.

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The number of people we are in contact with has grown by 9% to just over 38,000, and demand for Open Door our free quarterly newsletter has also risen by 9% to over 20,000. This year we distributed c.66,000 publications in response to enquiries. All our paper publications are provided free of charge and consequently we have restricted the numbers of publications per order this year, so as to ensure that they are sent directly to as many people with MS as possible, and that the recipients are made aware of all of our information services.

All of our printed publications are downloadable from the website and there is evidence that people are increasingly choosing to do this, particularly for factsheets.

Activity on the website continues to grow and it is one part of a comprehensive web presence, which includes Facebook and Twitter where we now have over 4,000 followers.

During the year we held two web-based chatrooms with experts: on fatigue, and pain. Both were well attended and transcripts made available on the website.

During the year the information team have delivered:

- *MS & Me* – a self management guide to living with MS
- *Talking with Kids about MS* – a guide for parents
- A revised version of the *Young Persons Guide to MS* for 10-16 year olds who have a parent with MS
- Interactive *Exercises for people with MS* downloadable from the website. The exercises have also been sent on memory sticks to therapists working with people who have MS so that they can download specific exercises for their needs. Each exercise is animated on the website and there are guidelines on exercising safely.

The *Kids Guide to MS* for 6-10 year olds and *Staying Smart* our website to help with memory and cognition were commended at the British Medical Association Patient Information Awards 2010.

Professional Education

The number of delegates attending our courses this year increased by 8% to 745 nurses and therapists. However, as usual, time off to attend training and funding were issues and The Andrew Previté Bursary fund and the MS Therapist Education Fund both received many applications for funding to attend training.

Courses this year included:

- Four regional study days in Stirling, Aberdeen, Bedford and Guildford.
- Two Therapists in Multiple Sclerosis (TiMS) study days held in Glasgow and London.
- Two residential, university accredited, specialist level, Development Modules in MS. Specialist nurses and therapists attend this week-long course when they go into post.
- A two-day Specialist MS Nurse Conference

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- A three-day multi-disciplinary conference for health professionals working with people with MS.

Our newsletter *Way Ahead* is a digest of the latest research, treatments and best practice in MS management and is now sent out to c.4,000 health professionals.

Working in partnership with other health professionals, our team has delivered a web based video training tool to accompany the *Competency Framework for MS Specialist Services* and a CD version of the competency framework.

The *Spasticity Care Pathway* booklet has also been updated to improve services for people with MS.

The MS Trust continues to support the Therapists in MS Group (TiMS) and this year they have worked on:

- A research project - *Does core stability training have an effect on balance and mobility for people with MS?* The positive results of the project were published in the peer reviewed journal *Multiple Sclerosis* and it is hoped to follow this up with further research.
- A web-based tool to monitor therapy services against the quality requirement for services as laid out in the National Service Framework for long term conditions. The questions set are based on the recommendations for MS therapy services that TiMS made in their publication *Therapists in MS delivering the long-term solutions (2006)*.

The MS Trust also continues to support the UK MS Specialist Nurse Association. Vikki Matthews the Trust's Specialist Nurse Advisor, is an active member of the group and the Trust funds 50% of the salary of the associations administrative support.

Research

The MS Trust has continued to fund practical research, which will have an impact on improving services and therapies available for people who are living with MS now.

Applications for funding are subject to peer review and to the approval of the Trustees' research sub-committee to ensure as far as possible the validity and robustness of the study and the quality of both researchers and the research environment. Once ethical approval is received and the project is underway, researchers make a quarterly report to the Trustees and grant payments are made in arrears, dependent on the Trustees' approval.

The following projects are currently in process:

- MRI costs of a randomised double blind placebo controlled trial of cannabinoids to slow progression in MS (CUPID);
- Employment, vocational rehabilitation and workplace support for people with MS.
- A multi centre study to determine whether an established fatigue management programme for people with MS will replicate the results from a single centre study

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New applications continue to be received and peer reviewed for possible future approval.

The research section on our website continues to be improved with news of clinical trials and the latest MS research updates.

Campaigning

Access to Comprehensive Specialist, Quality Services across the UK

Our research with the Royal College of Physicians (RCP) in 2008 showed that implementation of both the NICE *MS Clinical Guidelines for NHS management in primary and secondary care* and the *National Service Framework for Long-term Conditions* is at best patchy and access to neuro-rehabilitation is very inadequate across the UK.

We are currently working with the RCP on planning a third services audit for 2011.

Access to MS Specialist Nurses and Therapists

The MS Trust believes everyone diagnosed with MS should have access to an MS specialist nurse. Currently there are around 225 MS specialist nurses in the UK, but new research indicating that the number of people with MS in the UK is closer to 100,000 would suggest that c. 350 nurses are needed.

We continue to work with the Royal College of Nursing, the UK MS Specialist Nurse Association and the Therapists in MS Group to ensure that the government recognises the value of all specialist services.

Access to Licensed Drug Therapies

The research element of the Department of Health Risk-sharing Scheme has continued to progress with in excess of 5,000 people being monitored annually to assess the cost efficacy of treating people with the original four disease modifying drug therapies (beta interferons and glatiramer acetate).

The MS Trust's role is to act as administrator, which involves ensuring that work is completed and paid for in line with the contracts, and that the funders are invoiced for their share, as well as providing support to the independent scientific advisory group.

The Scheme has improved the allocation of resources to the MS centres and this is of value to all people with MS, not just those requiring drug therapies.

A fifth drug Tysabri has been licensed in the UK since June 2006 as a treatment for rapidly evolving types of MS.

The cannabis-based mouth spray, Sativex, was licensed in June 2010 as an add-on treatment for MS related spasticity. The MS Trust has campaigned on behalf of people with MS for many years, for this cannabis based drug to be licensed.

NICE will be reviewing two new drugs – fingolimod and cladribine, which are currently going through the licensing process. We will be working to ensure that as soon as they are licensed they are made available to people with MS.

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Acknowledgement of Donors and Supporters

The Multiple Sclerosis Trust would like to acknowledge and thank all its supporters and charitable trust partners in 2009/10, without whom, our work would not be possible.

Very special thanks go to the hundreds of individuals who support us through regular gifts, and the many people who have donated to our appeals.

We would like to thank everyone who has pledged to leave Multiple Sclerosis Trust a gift in their will. This provides vital funds for our work in the future.

Working with Other Charities and Organisations

The MS Trust works with a number of voluntary organisations to secure high-quality health and social care for people with MS.

The MS Trust continues to be an active member of the Neurological Alliance where Nicola Russell, Director of Services is a Trustee.

The Trust is a member of Rehabilitation in MS (RIMS) and is represented on the RIMS Board by Victoria Matthews, MS Specialist Nurse Advisor.

The MS Trust is also represented at the International Organisation of MS Nurses.

The MS Trust is an active supporter of the Therapists in MS Group and the UK MS Specialist Nurse Association.

The MS Trust is the administrator for the Department of Health Risk-sharing Scheme for disease modifying therapies.

The Trust works closely with the Royal College of Nursing on developments in nursing education and the Royal College of Physicians to audit the implementation of the NICE MS management guidelines.

Plans for the Future

People with MS tell us that they value accurate, accessible information and specialist MS services, particularly MS nurses. We aim to continue to respond to their growing demands, to support MS nurses and to raise awareness of the challenges of living with MS.

Raising and growing funds to keep up with demand and continue our work is a major challenge in this economic environment and we are looking to maintain a variety of key sources of income as well as introducing new income streams.

We will continue to campaign for improved MS services, including working with the RCP and the Neurological Alliance to focus our campaigns.

Risk Management and Internal Control

As part of the strategic planning process, a risk assessment has been undertaken for all areas of the MS Trust's work with a review of the potential impact and method of mitigation. Risks are identified during the business planning process and are updated or modified regularly.

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Grant Making Policy

All applications for research grants are considered on an individual basis. If an initial proposal meets the Trust's funding criteria it will be sent for peer review before discussion by the research sub-committee. Recommended applications will then be sent to the full Board of Trustees for approval, subject to the availability of funding.

Volunteers

The MS Trust welcomes volunteers in many different capacities. A number contribute their skills and experience on a regular basis in the information, research, education, administration and fundraising functions.

Structure, Governance and Management

The Multiple Sclerosis Trust (MS Trust) is a company limited by Guarantee, company No. 4247766, and a registered charity, regulated by the Charity Commission. It was established in 1993 as Multiple Sclerosis (Research) Charitable Trust and incorporated on 6 July 2001 as the Multiple Sclerosis Trust. The Trust's main governing document is its Memorandum and Articles of Association and was last amended on 24 October 2007.

These accounts will be filed with the Registrar of Companies following the AGM on the 9th December 2010.

The accounts comply with current statutory requirements including the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice 2005 – 'Accounting & Reporting by Charities'.

Trustees: (who are also Directors for the purposes of the Companies Act) in office during the financial year were:

Prof. Michael Barnes (e)	Professor of Neurological Rehabilitation at the University of Newcastle and the Clinical Director of Hunters Moor Neuro Rehab Ltd. He is currently Chairman of the UK Acquired Brain Injury Forum (UKABIF).
Paul Budd	External Relations Director for the Royal Mail Group
Dr Alexander Burnfield (e)	Retired as a Consultant in Child and Family Psychiatry. He has written and lectured extensively on MS, been an active campaigner for the needs of people with MS and helped found Persons With MS International.
Sir George Castledine (e) (Resigned 17 th December 2009)	Professor of Nursing and Community Health at the University of Central England, and a joint Clinical Professorship and Consultant of Nursing between the University and Dudley Group of Hospitals NHS Trust .

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Helen Caulfield Russell Hardy (Chair) (e)	Head of Legal at the Human Tissue Authority Chair of Hunters Moor Neuro Rehab Ltd, Chair of the Robert Jones and Agnes Hunt Orthopaedic and District Hospital, Governor of Nuffield Health and a Trustee of the UK Acquired Brain Injury Forum. He has experience of living with MS in his immediate family.
Gillian Holt (e, t)	Co-founder of MS Trust with personal experience of MS
Christine Jones (t)	Co-founder of MS Trust with personal experience of MS
Dr Dawn Langdon (e)	Reader in Clinical Neuropsychology, Royal Holloway, University of London
Thea Longley (e) Bernadette Porter	Partner with Bates Wells and Braithwaite MS Nurse Consultant, National Hospital for Neurology and Neurosurgery, London
Prof. Neil Scolding	Professor of Clinical Neurosciences and Director of the Institute at Frenchay Hospital, Bristol Institute at Frenchay Hospital, Bristol

(e) - denotes also Director of MS Trust (Education) Ltd.

(t) – denotes also Director of MS Trust (Trading) Ltd.

Patrons:

Hon. Sarah Joiner
Jackie and Laurence Llewelyn-Bowen
Lady Edith Rifkind
All have personal experience of MS.

There are 13 Trustees appointed by an ordinary resolution, following recommendation by the existing Trustees or a member proposal. One third of the board retires by rotation at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) and may offer themselves for re-election. The following Trustees retire at the 2010 AGM and being eligible may offer themselves for re-election;

- Russell Hardy
- Bernadette Porter
- Neil Scolding

On joining the MS Trust Board, new Trustees undertake a tailored induction programme.

Beyond their governance duties, the Trustees involve themselves in different parts of the work of the Trust according to their particular expertise, including research monitoring, education programmes, information provision and fundraising.

Communication, both formal and informal, between Trustees and staff is frequent and effective.

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The Trustees meet quarterly with the management team to review the activities of the Charity and consider its future direction. Staff provide full reports to the Trustees in advance of these meetings.

There are no specific restrictions imposed by the Trust's documents on the way in which the Charity can operate.

Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

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

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the Directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). 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 state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period.

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

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- 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 keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006.

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 Auditors

So far as each of the Directors is aware at the time the report is approved: there is no relevant information of which the company's auditors are unaware, and the Directors have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditors are aware of that information.

Financial Results

The economic climate and natural disasters have had an impact on this year's result. However, planned savings and deferral of some projects have enabled the Trust to end the year with a net incoming resources surplus of £40,454.

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The main headlines (excluding Department of Health Risk-sharing Scheme - RSS) are:

- Total incoming resources income fell 20% to £1,927,914 (2009: £2,398,450).
- Total expenditure on charitable activities is down 19% at £1,190,811 (2009: £ 1,465,778).
- Total resources expended are down 13% at £1,887,460 (2009: £2,174,283).

Incoming resources

Voluntary income fell by £483,205 (29%) to £1,206,504 (2009: £1,689,709); some of this was due to the reduced number and value of legacies received in the year. Voluntary income excluding legacies fell by 20% to £1,002,759 (2009: £1,244,561)

Income from overseas events fell by 53%. This fall was partly due to the cancellation of a Peru Trek because of the ash clouds, and all participants have participated in either the Peru trek in September or other overseas treks. Deferred income from the Peru trek currently totals £69,000.

The number of participants and the average donation for other events was also lower in the year. Income from Community Fundraising fell by £49,234 (20%).

Total fees income received from education courses totalled £427,602 (2009: £430,003). Delegate numbers at the annual conference, development modules and the specialist nurses course all exceeded plan.

Income from Christmas cards and sundry income increased by 21% mainly as a result of two licensing agreements with W H Smith and Paperchase raising more than expected.

Outgoing resources

Fundraising costs have increased by less than 1%, expenditure on trading operations reduced by 13% as a result of the review on expenditure.

In spite of the fall in income total spend on charitable activities (excluding RSS) increased slightly to 62% (2009: 61%) of total income (excluding RSS).

The full year results recorded a surplus of £40,454 (2009: £224,167).

Note on the Department of Health Risk-sharing Scheme (RSS)

The RSS is a 10-year (minimum) research project to assess the cost efficacy of disease modifying therapies for people with multiple sclerosis.

The research project is funded equally by the Department of Health and four pharmaceutical companies: Biogen Idec Ltd; Bayer Schering Pharma UK Ltd; Merck Serono Ltd; Teva UK Ltd & Sanofi Aventis Ltd.

The project is carried out by an external clinical research organisation Parexel, together with clinicians from the Universities of Liverpool and Oxford.

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The MS Trust's role is to act as administrator, which involves ensuring that work is completed and paid for in line with the contracts, and that the funders are invoiced for their share, as well as providing support to the independent scientific advisory group. This resulted in a 2010 income stream for the MS Trust of £900,837 (2009: £919,013), which is exactly matched by external payments to the research organisations. The MS Trust receives payment from the DoH to cover staff costs and expenses incurred in the administration of the project. The payment is reviewed every two to three years.

£46,815 was received from the Department of Health for undertaking this role (2009: £47,111).

Review of the activities of the subsidiaries

During the year ended 31 July 2010, Multiple Sclerosis Trust had two active trading subsidiaries:

Multiple Sclerosis Trust (Education) Ltd (company registration number 5105344) The principle activity of the company is to provide professional education for nurses and allied health and social care professionals, to improve the care provided to people with MS, in all situations.

The total income for the year ended 31 July 2010 was £441,194 (2009: £451,567) and the net income before taking into account the amount to be gifted to the MS Trust was £13,028 (2009: £5,273).

Multiple Sclerosis Trust (Trading) Ltd (company registration number 2838516) The Company's main activities have been the purchase and sale of Christmas cards.

The total turnover for the year ended 31 July 2010 was £169,571 (2009: £139,752) and the profit before taking into account the amount to be gifted to the MS Trust was £47,944 (2009: £140).

The unpaid Directors of the two companies are also members of the Board of Trustees of the Multiple Sclerosis Trust marked (e) or (t). In addition, Joanne Sopala is a director of Multiple Sclerosis Trust (Trading) Limited along with another unpaid director Mr. Keith Entwisle.

Reserves Policy

MS Trust's reserves policy sets aside out of its unrestricted funds any designated funds needed to cover existing commitments. The free reserves therefore exclude restricted, and project designated funds. Designated funds also include an amount to fund fixed assets.

The Group's free reserves, excluding designated and restricted funds, at 31 July 2010 were £1,384,979 (2009: £1,326,660), equivalent to about 35 weeks of total unrestricted expenditure.

Designated funds total £141,201 (2009: £182,614), £110,000 (2009: £150,000) is held to cover the research grant plan for the financial year 2010/2011, £4,936 (2009: £6,343) represents fixed assets in use by the Trust. £6,265 (2009: £6,271) relates to the Trust's contribution to the Therapists bursary fund, and £20,000 (2009: £20,000) is held for dilapidation costs for the offices.

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The Trustees' aim is to retain sufficient funds within unrestricted reserves such that the total of unrestricted funds and regular income is at least in the range of nine to twelve months' expenditure. This policy is designed to recognise the unpredictable nature of many of the Trust's funding sources. The current level of free reserves, are just below the target level required by the Trustees. It is felt that this level of reserves is required to ensure that the Trust can deliver its planned programme of events and activities in the foreseeable future.

The Trustees do not include restricted funds for this purpose since they are by definition given for a specific purpose and cannot be freely used. The reserves policy is reviewed annually.

Investment Policy

The Trust's investment policy is to maximise the return on its reserves so far as this is consistent with ensuring they are both readily accessible and invested in low risk instruments. In line with this policy, any funds not needed immediately are currently placed on deposit with NatWest Bank and Standard Life Bank PLC.

Where the Trust receives non-cash investments these are held on the basis of professional advice until such time as they can be realised so as to optimise the benefit to the Trust. There are no specific restrictions on investment powers contained in the Trust's governing document.

Auditors

In accordance with the Companies Act 2006, Peters Elworthy & Moore offer themselves for reappointment as auditors of the Trust.

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Legal and Administrative Details

Directors and Trustees in post at the time the report was approved:

Prof. Michael Barnes
Paul Budd (Appointed 17 Dec. 2009)
Dr. Alexander Burnfield
Helen Caulfield
Russell Hardy (Chair)
Gillian Holt
Christine Jones
Dr. Dawn Langdon
Michael Laver (appointed 6 October 2010)
Thea Longley
Nicolas Kavanagh (appointed 6 October 2010)
Bernadette Porter
Prof. Neil Scolding

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CEO & Company Secretary	Pam Macfarlane
Director of Services	Nicola Russell
Director of Fundraising & Marketing	Joanne Sopala
Finance Manager	Demetrios Stavrou

Signed for and on behalf of the Board of Trustees



Russell Hardy, Chair of Trustees

Independent Auditors' Report to the Members and Trustees of Multiple Sclerosis Trust

We have audited the financial statements of Multiple Sclerosis Trust for the year ended 31 July 2010 which comprise the Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities, the Consolidated and Parent Company Balance Sheets, the consolidated cash flow and the related notes. The financial statements have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein.

This report is made solely to the Charity's members, as a body, in accordance with Sections 495 and 496 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Charity'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 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.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Auditors

The Trustees (who are also the Directors of the company for the purposes of company law) responsibilities for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and for being satisfied that the financial statements give a true and fair view are set out in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities.

We have been appointed auditors under the Companies Act 2006 and section 43 of the Charities Act 1993 and report to you in accordance with those Acts. Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with the relevant legal and regulatory requirements and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland).

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give true and fair view, have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, and have been prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2006 and the Charities Act 1993. We also report to you whether in our opinion the information given in the Trustees' Annual Report is consistent with those financial statements.

In addition we report to you if, in our opinion, the Charity has not kept adequate accounting records, if the Charity's financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns, if we have not received all information and explanations we require for our audit, or if certain disclosures of Trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made.

We read the Trustees' Annual Report and consider the implication for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within in.

Independent Auditors' Report to the Members and Trustees of Multiple Sclerosis Trust

Basis of Audit Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the Trustees in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the group's and the charitable parent company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of the information in the financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion:

- the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the group's and the parent company's affairs as at 31 July 2010, and of the group's incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice;
- the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2006 and the Charities Act 1993; and
- the information given in the Trustees' Annual Report is consistent with the financial statements.

Roger Webster (Senior Statutory Auditor)



for and on behalf of
PETERS ELWORTHY & MOORE

Chartered Accountants
Statutory Auditor

Salisbury House, Station Road, Cambridge, CB1 2LA

Date: 10 January 2011

Group Statement of Financial Activities
 Incorporating an income and expenditure account
 Year ended 31 July 2010

	Notes	Un- restricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2010 Total Funds	2009 Total Funds As restated
		£	£	£	£
Incoming Resources:					
Incoming resources from generated funds					
Donations, gifts and legacies	4	1,069,632	136,872	1,206,504	1,689,709
Activities for generating funds:					
Commercial trading operations	5	169,571		169,571	139,752
Investment interest		29,981		29,981	53,193
Activities in furtherance of the charities objectives:					
Fees for educational courses		439,250		439,250	431,371
Grants received	6	-	975,400	975,400	991,124
Other Income		8,045		8,045	12,314
Total Incoming Resources		1,716,479	1,112,272	2,828,751	3,317,463
Resources Expended					
Costs of generating funds:					
Commercial trading operations		119,508	-	119,508	137,365
Fundraising		493,637	-	493,637	491,916
Total cost of generating funds		613,145	-	613,145	629,281
Charitable activities:					
Education		462,642	53,616	516,258	550,342
Information		396,114	65,353	461,467	624,526
Grants for research	7	61,744	966,755	1,028,499	1,095,054
Policy and campaigning		85,424	-	85,424	114,869
Total cost of charitable activities		1,005,924	1,085,724	2,091,648	2,384,791
Governance		83,504	-	83,504	79,224
Total resources expended	9	1,702,573	1,085,724	2,788,297	3,093,296
Net incoming resources before transfers		13,906	26,548	40,454	224,167
Transfers between funds		3,000	(3,000)	-	-
Net movement in funds after transfers		16,906	23,548	40,454	224,167
Total funds at 1 August 2009		1,509,274	45,224	1,554,498	1,330,331
Total funds at 31 July 2010	17/18	1,526,180	68,772	1,594,952	1,554,498

All amounts relate to wholly continuing operations. All gains and losses recognised in the year are included in the Group Statement of Financial Activities.

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 Balance sheets - as at 31 July 2010

	Notes	Group 2010 £	Group 2009 £	Charity 2010 £	Charity 2009 £
Fixed Assets					
Tangible Fixed Assets	11	5,786	7,942	4,936	6,343
Investments in subsidiaries	12	-	-	101	101
		5,786	7,942	5,037	6,444
Current Assets					
Stock	13	36,425	41,874	-	-
Debtors	14	183,123	347,062	350,330	439,734
Short term investments	25b	2,301,698	2,369,544	2,071,912	2,209,270
Cash at bank	25b	2,445	2,034	1,216	2,034
		2,523,691	2,760,514	2,423,458	2,651,038
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	15	(934,525)	(1,213,958)	(832,945)	(1,102,984)
Net current assets		1,589,166	1,546,556	1,590,513	1,548,054
Total assets less current liabilities		1,594,952	1,554,498	1,595,550	1,554,498
Funds	17/18				
Restricted		68,772	45,224	68,772	45,224
Unrestricted:					
Designated		141,201	182,614	141,201	182,614
Free reserves		1,384,979	1,326,660	1,385,577	1,326,660
		1,526,180	1,509,274	1,526,778	1,509,274
Funds		1,594,952	1,554,498	1,595,550	1,554,498

The Trustees approved the financial statements on 9th December 2010 and signed on its behalf by:



Russell Hardy
 Chair

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Consolidated Cash Flow
At 31 July 2010

	Note	2010 £	2009 £
Net cash (outflow) / inflow from operating activities	25a	(92,927)	399,060
Investment income		29,981	53,193
Capital expenditure			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(3,474)	(4,880)
Proceeds on asset disposals		-	2,298
Net cash outflow from investing activities		(3,474)	(2,582)
Management of liquid resources			
Decrease / (Increase) in short term deposits	25b	67,846	(452,297)
Net cash outflow / (inflow) from liquid resources		67,846	(452,297)
Increase / (Decrease) in cash balances	25b	1,426	(2,626)

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1. Accounting policies

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' as revised in 2005 (The SORP), together with the accounting requirements of the Companies Act 2006 and applicable accounting and reporting standards.

The significant accounting policies adopted by the Trustees are described below and are consistent with previous years.

Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Prior year figures have been restated to more accurately reflect the nature of the transactions.

Basis of consolidation

The consolidated accounts of the group incorporate the accounts of the MS Trust and its wholly owned subsidiary undertakings. The results of the trading activities of the non-charitable subsidiaries are summarised in the consolidated statement of financial activities.

A separate Statement of Financial Activities for the Charity is not presented as the Charity has taken advantage of the exemptions afforded by section 408 of the Companies Act 2006 and paragraph 397 of SORP 2005.

Incoming resources

All income is recognised in the statement of financial activities when the conditions for receipt have been met and there is reasonable assurance and measurability of receipt. Where a claim for repayment of income tax has or will be made, such income is grossed up for the tax recovery. The following accounting policies are applied to income:

Fundraising and other income

Donations and all other receipts from fundraising are reported gross and the related fundraising costs are reported in other expenditure. Cash collections to which MS Trust is entitled but which it has not received by the year-end are included in incoming resources in the statement of financial activities and shown as debtors in the balance sheet.

Gifts in kind and donated goods and facilities

Assets given for use by the MS Trust are recognised as incoming resources at their estimated market value when receivable. If they form part of the fixed assets at the year-end, they are included in the balance sheet at the value at which the gift was included in incoming resources.

The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included.

Legacies

Legacy income is accounted for when the amount receivable is known with reasonable certainty. Other legacies to which the MS Trust is entitled to but

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which are currently incapable of financial measurement have not been included in these accounts unless reflected in cash and other assets received after 31 July 2010.

Grants

Grants, including grants for the purchase of tangible fixed assets, are recognised in the statement of financial activities when the conditions for receipt have been complied with. Deferred grant income at the year-end is included in creditors.

Commercial income

Income from commercial activities (stated net of VAT) is included in the period in which the group is entitled to receipt.

Resources expended

Resources expended are recognised in the period in which they are incurred. Resources expended include attributable VAT, which cannot be recovered.

Pensions

The MS Trust contributes 5% of total salary for each employee, either to the Group Stakeholder Scheme or individual schemes. Employees can choose how much they wish to contribute to their scheme. Pension costs are charged to the Group Statement of Financial Activities (page 15) as incurred.

Support Costs

MS Trust's operating costs include staff costs, rent, and other related costs. All costs are allocated between the cost of generating funds and activities in furtherance of the Charity's objects. Most costs incurred by MS Trust are directly attributable to individual activities. Where costs are not directly attributable to particular activities, they are apportioned pro-rata to the total direct costs. Staff costs are apportioned based on time spent on each activity, property costs are apportioned according to floor area occupied. Core costs are only allocated to restricted funds in accordance with the terms of the contract with funders.

Governance

Governance costs represent expenditure incurred in the management of MS Trust's assets, organisational administration and compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation.

The depreciation of tangible fixed assets is provided in equal monthly instalments over the estimated useful lives of the assets at the following rates:

Computer and office equipment	3 years
Fixtures and fittings	4 years

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Assets are capitalised when the cost of all components making up the asset is over £100

Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Short-term investments

Short-term investments include cash deposits surplus to immediate requirements or other non-cash investments donated to the Trust pending disposal based on professional advices

Funds

MS Trust maintains various types of funds as follows:

Restricted funds

Restricted funds represent grants; donation and legacies received which the donor allocates for specific purpose.

Designated funds

Designated funds represent an element of general funds allocated by the Trustees for specific purposes.

General funds

General funds are funds that are expendable at the discretion of the Trustees in the furtherance of the objects of MS Trust. Such funds may be held in order to finance both working capital and capital investment.

Operating leases

Rentals applicable to operating leases, where substantially all the benefits and risk of ownership remain with the lessor, are charged to the statement of financial activities over the period in which the cost is incurred.

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2 Income attributable to the main Charity

	2010 £	2009 £
Charity total incoming resources	2,299,934	2,753,039
Total expenditure on charitable activities	1,681,741	1,963,004
Fundraising costs	493,637	491,916
Governance	83,504	79,224
Net incoming resources	41,052	218,895
Total funds brought forward	1,554,498	1,335,603
Total funds carried forward	1,595,550	1,554,498
Represented by:		
Unrestricted funds	1,526,778	1,509,274
Restricted funds	68,772	45,224

As permitted by Section 408 of the Companies Act 2006 and also paragraph 397 of SORP 2005, no separate statement of financial activities is presented in respect of the parent company.

3 Legacy income

Legacy income, for which confirmation of the amount has not been received at the balance sheet date, has not been included in the incoming resources. The value of these legacies is estimated at £243,700 (2009: £217,667).

4 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2010 Total	2009 Total As restated
	£	£	£	£
Legacies	203,745	-	203,745	445,148
Donations:				
- Overseas events	147,410	-	147,410	311,218
- UK Events	346,665	-	346,665	348,367
- Community Fundraising	196,857	-	196,857	246,091
- Individual fundraising *	110,243	36,552	146,795	170,228
- Trusts	17,400	95,200	112,600	93,400
- Corporate *	28,209	-	28,209	57,476
- In Memory	19,103	5,120	24,223	17,781
	1,069,632	136,872	1,206,504	1,689,709
Total cost of fundraising activities			493,637	491,916
Net income from fundraising activities			712,867	1,197,793

* Prior year figures have been restated to more accurately reflect the nature of the income

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5 Subsidiary income and costs

	Multiple Sclerosis Trust (Trading) Ltd 2010	Multiple Sclerosis Trust (Trading) Ltd 2009	Multiple Sclerosis Trust (Education) Ltd 2010	Multiple Sclerosis Trust (Education) Ltd 2009
	£	£	£	£
Turnover	169,571	139,752	440,345	450,445
Cost of sales	(90,746)	(88,835)	(250,549)	(259,433)
Gross Profit	78,825	50,917	189,796	191,012
Interest receivable	282	380	849	1,122
Administrative expenses	(31,163)	(51,157)	(177,617)	(186,861)
Operating profit before taxation	47,944	140	13,028	5,273
Payments made under gift aid	(47,944)	(140)	(13,627)	-
Retained (loss) / profit transferred to reserves	-	-	(599)	5,273

Income and expenditure generated by the two subsidiary companies have been incorporated into the appropriate section in the Group Statement of Financial Activities.

As at 31 July 2010, Multiple Sclerosis Trust (Trading) Ltd had net current assets of £100 (2009: £100). This comprised assets of £126,228 (2009: £85,191) and liabilities of £126,128 (2009: £85,091).

As at 31 July 2010, Multiple Sclerosis Trust (Education) Ltd had net liabilities of £598 (2009: net assets £1). This comprised total assets of £210,046 (2009: £172,283) and liabilities of £210,644 (2009: £172,282).

6 Grants received

	Restricted	2010 Total	2009 Total As restated
	£	£	£
Funding for the Therapists Bursary Education Fund *	20,000	20,000	25,000
Department of Health – Administration of Risk-sharing Scheme	46,815	46,815	47,111
Funding for Spasticity care pathway	7,748	7,748	-
Risk-sharing Scheme funding (see also note 17)	900,837	900,837	919,013
	975,400	975,400	991,124

* Prior year figures have been restated to more accurately reflect the nature of the income

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7 Research Grants

	2010 Total £	2009 Total £
Cost efficacy assessment in Risk-sharing Scheme:		
Parexel	739,111	721,212
Oxford Radcliffe Hospital	95,231	132,605
University of Liverpool	65,636	48,828
Other	859	-
National Survey of MS Services:		
Royal College of Physicians	-	(4,423)
Cannabis as a neuro protector (CUPID):		
Peninsula Medical School	25,000	25,000
Functional Electrical Stimulation:		
Salisbury District Hospital	-	7,343
Improving support to people with MS in employment		
Oxford Brookes University / Buckinghamshire PCT	-	10,728
Evaluation of a fatigue management programme		
Poole Hospital NHS Trust	368	6,404
Abdominal massage for constipation		
Glasgow Caledonian University	8,650	25,950
Advanced MS and family relationships		
Institute of Neuropalliative Rehabilitation, Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability	-	21,583
Other Institutional grants and direct support costs	93,644	99,824
Total research grants paid	1,028,499	1,095,054

Direct support costs associated with grant making include costs incurred before grants are made as part of the decision making process; and post-grant costs e.g. monitoring of grants.

8 Net incoming resources for the year after charging:

	2010 £	2009 £
Operating lease rentals:		
Equipment	2,444	2,444
Property	88,725	86,176
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	5,630	7,275
Auditors' remuneration:		
Audit – Current Year	10,150	9,950
Audit – Prior Year	214	155
Non audit work	1,066	6,345

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9 Total Resources expended

	Education	Information	Policy and campaigning	Research	Fundraising and Trading costs	Governance	2010 Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Educational courses	298,256	-	-	-	-	-	298,256
Information and publications	-	144,492	-	-	-	-	144,492
Research	-	-	-	36,813	-	-	36,813
Risk-sharing Scheme	-	-	-	906,853	-	-	906,853
Commercial trading	-	-	-	-	90,746	-	90,746
Fundraising	-	-	-	-	155,599	-	155,599
Policy and campaigning	-	-	16,914	-	-	-	16,914
Staff costs	158,415	260,766	55,950	70,894	295,319	57,910	899,254
Recruitment and other staff costs	2,178	3,191	519	612	5,292	1,863	13,655
Trustee expenses	-	-	-	-	-	3,242	3,242
Office costs	52,975	46,075	10,531	11,440	50,690	10,329	182,040
Legal and professional	606	968	208	263	5,739	1,820	9,604
Audit fees	2,100	-	-	-	1,250	7,014	10,364
Depreciation	986	1,682	361	457	1,771	373	5,630
Bank charges	192	401	106	109	2,639	89	3,536
Non Recoverable VAT	550	3,892	835	1,058	4,100	864	11,299
2010 Total	516,258	461,467	85,424	1,028,499	613,145	83,504	2,788,297
2009 Total	550,342	624,526	114,869	1,095,054	629,281	79,224	3,093,296

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10 Information regarding employees and trustees

The number of employees whose total emoluments for the year (excluding employer pension costs), exceeded £60,000

	2010	2009
	Number	Number
£60,000 - £ 70,000	1	-
£70,001 - £ 80,000	1	2
£100,001 - £110,000	1	1

Average number of employees (full time equivalent) during the year:

	2010	2009
	Number	Number
Education	4	4
Information	9	9
Research	1	1
Policy and campaigning	1	1
Fundraising	7	6
Governance	1	1
	23	22

Staff costs comprise:

	2010	2009
	£	£
Wages and salaries	781,836	741,258
Social security costs	79,722	76,271
Pension costs	37,696	34,770
	899,254	852,299

The Trust contributes to a stakeholder pension or to the employees' personal pension scheme. The assets of the schemes are held separately from those of the Charity. The balance sheet includes £5,387 (2009: £5,088) in respect of accrued pension costs. Pension contributions paid on behalf of higher paid employees above totalled £11,408 (2009: £12,332)

The MS Trust is currently reviewing its pension scheme to ensure compliance with the Pensions Act 2008 expected to come into force in October 2012.

Senior management team expenses

During the year members of the senior management team made expenses claims totalling £4,993 (2009:£4,108). £3,898 of this spend related to reimbursement of travel and subsistence costs incurred in the course of their duties, £430 was for unexpected expenditure at a number of Trust events, £190 on membership of a professional organisation, the remaining expenditure of £475 was for other out of pocket costs incurred in the carrying out of their duties.

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Trustee expenses

No Trustee received any remuneration (2009: nil) from the Trust during the year. During the year the total expenses directly reimbursed to the Trustees amounted to £1,879 (2009: £2,143). This represents the direct reimbursement of costs incurred by Trustees in the furtherance of their duties, and was paid to six Trustees (2009: nine) and forms part of the total costs incurred by the Board of Trustees of £3,242 (2009: £3,025).

Mrs G Holt and Mrs C Jones are unpaid Directors of Multiple Sclerosis Trust (Trading) Limited which gifts all its profits to the Trust.

Six Trustees are also Directors of MS Trust (Education) Limited, which gifts all its profits to the MS Trust.

Professional indemnity insurance on behalf of the Trustees and all employees of £1,471 (2009: £1,426) was paid during the year.

11 Tangible fixed assets

for use by the Group:	Office equipment £	Fixtures and fittings £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 August 2009	58,110	22,959	81,069
Additions in year	3,159	315	3,474
Transfers	(220)	220	-
Disposals in year	(3,401)	-	(3,401)
At 31 July 2010	57,648	23,494	81,142
Accumulated depreciation			
At 1 August 2009	51,840	21,287	73,127
Charge for the year	5,050	580	5,630
Transfers	(206)	206	-
Released on disposals	(3,401)	-	(3,401)
At 31 July 2010	53,283	22,073	75,356
Net book value at 31 July 2010	4,365	1,421	5,786
Net book value at 1 August 2009	6,270	1,672	7,942

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For use by the Charity	Office equipment £	Fixtures and fittings £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 August 2009	46,266	22,219	68,485
Additions in year	3,159	315	3,474
Disposals in year	(3,401)	-	(3,401)
At 31 July 2010	46,024	22,534	68,558
Accumulated depreciation			
At 1 August 2009	41,594	20,548	62,142
Charge for the year	4,315	566	4,881
Released on disposals	(3,401)	-	(3,401)
At 31 July 2010	42,508	21,114	63,622
Net book value at 31 July 2010	3,516	1,420	4,936
Net book value at 1 August 2009	4,672	1,671	6,343

12 Subsidiaries

Subsidiary undertaking	Country of registration and/or operation	Principle activities	Authorised and issued share capital
Multiple Sclerosis Trust (Education) Ltd	England and Wales	Provides professional education for nurses and allied health and social care professionals to improve the care provided to people with MS.	£100 - £1 issued
Multiple Sclerosis Trust (Trading) Ltd	England and Wales	The purchase and sale of cards and gifts.	£1,000 - £100 issued

13 Stocks

	Group		Charity	
	2010 £	2009 £	2010 £	2009 £
Finished goods for resale	36,425	41,874	-	-

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14 Debtors

	Group		Charity	
	2010	2009	2010	2009
	£	£	£	£
Trade debtors	33,367	19,737	687	5,164
Risk-sharing Scheme debtors	14,631	228,894	14,631	228,894
Amounts due from related companies	-	-	158,305	135,310
Gift Aid due from related companies	-	-	60,449	140
Prepayments and accrued income	128,727	87,781	109,864	59,576
Other debtors	6,398	10,650	6,394	10,650
	183,123	347,062	350,330	439,734

15 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Group		Charity	
	2010	2009	2010	2009
	£	£	£	£
Bank Overdraft	-	1,015	-	-
Trade creditors	85,054	120,638	47,775	75,479
Risk-sharing Scheme	533,745	797,799	533,745	797,799
Taxation and social security	28,080	22,240	28,080	22,240
VAT due	10,150	17,228	7,315	17,228
Deferred income	212,676	113,949	145,963	48,382
Accruals	48,883	88,650	45,494	81,846
Amounts due to related company	-	-	12,775	8,225
Other creditors and accruals	15,937	52,439	11,798	51,785
	934,525	1,213,958	832,945	1,102,984

16 Deferred income

	Balance 1 August 2009	Released from previous year	Deferred in current year	Balance 31 July 2010
	£	£	£	£
The Group:				
UK Events	6,902	(6,902)	7,300	7,300
Overseas events	41,480	(40,639)	112,918	113,759
Annual Conference	41,252	(41,252)	42,213	42,213
Education – Core funding	23,335	(23,335)	24,500	24,500
Risk-sharing Scheme	-	-	24,904	24,904
Study days	980	(980)	-	-
	113,949	(113,108)	211,835	212,676
The Charity:				
UK Events	6,902	(6,902)	7,300	7,300
Overseas events	41,480	(40,639)	112,918	113,759
Risk-sharing Scheme	-	-	24,904	24,904
	48,382	(47,541)	145,122	145,963

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17 Restricted funds

Group and Charity:	Balance at 1 August 2009 £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 July 2010 £
DoH Cost efficacy assessment in Risk-sharing Scheme	-	900,837	(900,837)	-	-
DoH Risk-sharing Scheme Admin. Fee.	-	46,815	(46,815)	-	-
Andrew Previt� Bursary fund	15,413	-	(1,488)	-	13,925
Therapists Bursary education fund	26,376	20,000	(19,309)	-	27,067
Information services	3,435	57,026	(56,951)	-	3,510
Primary Progressive MS	-	4,750	(1,152)	-	3,598
Young Persons Guide	-	2,550	(2,550)	-	-
Education – Study Days	-	4,743	(4,743)	-	-
DMT Booklet	-	3,000	-	(3,000)	-
Spasticity Care Pathway	-	7,748	(7,748)	-	-
TIMS	-	30,000	(12,328)	-	17,672
Interactive exercises on the website	-	7,500	(4,500)	-	3,000
General research	-	19,103	(19,103)	-	-
John Harrison Charitable Trust - Education	-	8,000	(8,000)	-	-
Other funds	-	200	(200)	-	-
Total restricted funds	45,224	1,112,272	(1,085,724)	(3,000)	68,772

Purposes and restriction to use:

Cost efficacy assessment in Risk-sharing Scheme

This represents income received under the Department of Health Risk-sharing Scheme which is subsequently paid to a consortium, led by a company called Parexel, undertaking the research. The MS Trust acts as a 'honest broker' between the parties to the scheme.

DoH Risk-sharing Scheme

The MS Trust has been appointed by the department of Health to manage the research consortium within the Risk-sharing Scheme and this fund covers the administrative costs.

Andrew Previt  Fund

This fund is to be used for educational grants to nurses and other health professionals, unable to get support for MS Educational programmes from the NHS. The Andrew Previt  Foundation has also supported other specific projects.

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Information services

These funds are donations received towards new publications and to support the information team.

TiMS

These funds have been received from the Sylvia Adams Charitable trust in order to support the Therapists in MS (TiMS).

Therapists Bursary

Corporate donations and a grant from the MS Society fund educational courses for MS specialist therapists. MS Trust also contributes to this fund through the use of designated funds

General Research

This fund represents donations to support any of the MS Trust's current research projects.

18 Unrestricted funds Group and Charity

Designated Funds	Funds 1 August 2009	Net incoming / (outgoing) resources before transfers	Capital expenditure	Transfer between funds	Funds 31 July 2010
	£	£		£	£
Fixed asset fund	6,343	(4,881)	3,474	-	4,936
Research grant fund	150,000	-	-	(40,000)	110,000
Bursary education fund	6,271	(4,006)	-	4,000	6,265
Property fund	20,000	-	-	-	20,000
Total Designated funds	182,614	(8,887)	3,474	(36,000)	141,201
Free Reserves	1,326,660	23,391	(3,474)	39,000	1,385,577
Total Charity Unrestricted funds	1,509,274	14,504	-	3,000	1,526,778
MS Trust (Education) Ltd	-	(598)	-	-	(598)
MS Trust (Trading) Ltd	-	-	-	-	-
Total Group unrestricted Funds	1,509,274	13,906	-	3,000	1,526,180

Designated funds are designated by the Trustees. The fixed asset fund represents the Trust's investment in tangible fixed assets. The research grant fund was designated to pay for the expected costs of research projects currently being, and planned to be, undertaken. The property fund is to cover the cost of repairs and dilapidation costs in accordance with the Trust's lease agreement. The bursary fund is the Trusts contribution to the Therapists Bursary education fund.

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19 Operating lease commitments

At 31 July 2010 the Trust had annual commitments under operating leases as set out below:

	2010		2009	
	Equipment £	Property £	Equipment £	Property £
Expiring within 1 year	-	-	-	-
Expiring within 2 – 5 years	2,646	88,725	2,646	88,725
	2,646	88,725	2,646	88,725

20 Related party transactions

Ms T Longley, appointed as a Trustee in July 2005, is a partner of Bates, Wells and Braithwaite (BWB), a Limited Liability partnership who are solicitors to the Trust.

During the year fees of £5,380 (2009: £5,203) was paid to BWB.

No balances were owed to BWB at the year end (2009: £0)

CaSE Insurance is the trading name of CaSE – Charity and Social Enterprise Insurance Management LLP, which is a partnership between NCVO, the Charities Aid Foundation, the partners of BWB, ABG Insurance Services Limited and aQmen Ltd. The premiums paid to CaSE insurance during the year totalled £4,644 (2009: £4,111).

£4,794 was owed to CaSE insurance at year end (2009: £32)

Hannah Asquith a fundraising consultant, has been used by the Trust to assist with Trust fundraising. She is the daughter of Mrs. C Jones one of the MS Trust Trustees and was paid £1,020 during the year.

21 Taxation

As a registered charity, the MS Trust is exempt from taxation under sections 466 - 493 Corporation Tax Act 2010. The group is not liable for taxation because of the policy of the trading subsidiary companies gifting all taxable profits to the MS Trust. During the year the subsidiary companies were liable to tax as profits had not been gifted during the financial year, however, the profits will be gifted within nine months after the year end so no taxation will be payable.

22 Members

The MS Trust is incorporated as a company limited by guarantee having no share capital and, in accordance with the Memorandum of Association, every member, of which there are 5 (2009: 5) is liable to contribute £1 in the event of the company being wound up.

23 Controlling Party

The Charity is under control of its Trustees who are listed on page 12 of the financial statements.

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24 Analysis of assets and liabilities between funds

The Group	Free Reserves £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2010 £
Fixed assets				
Tangible Fixed Assets	850	4,936	-	5,786
Current Assets:				
Stock	36,425	-	-	36,425
Debtors	168,492	-	14,631	183,123
Short term investments	1,552,644	136,265	612,789	2,301,698
Cash at bank and in hand	2,445	-	-	2,445
Current liabilities	(375,877)	-	(558,648)	(934,525)
Net assets	1,384,979	141,201	68,772	1,594,952

The Charity	Free Reserves £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2010 £
Fixed assets				
Tangible Fixed Assets	-	4,936	-	4,936
Investments	101	-	-	101
Current Assets:				
Stock	-	-	-	-
Debtors	335,699	-	14,631	350,330
Short term investments	1,322,858	136,265	612,789	2,071,912
Cash at bank and in hand	1,216	-	-	1,216
Current liabilities	(274,297)	-	(558,648)	(832,945)
Net assets	1,385,577	141,201	68,772	1,595,550

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	2010 £	2009 £
25a) Reconciliation of net incoming resources to net cash inflow from operating activities.		
Net incoming resources	40,454	224,167
Interest received	(29,981)	(53,193)
Depreciation charge for the year	5,630	7,275
Loss on asset disposals	-	1,156
Decrease / (Increase) in stock	5,449	21,128
Decrease / (Increase) in debtors	163,939	113,744
(Decrease) / Increase in creditors	(278,418)	84,783
Net cash (outflow) / inflow from operating activities	(92,927)	399,060

25b) Analysis of changes in net funds

	At 1 August 2009 £	Cash flows £	Non Cash changes £	At 31 July 2010 £
Short term investments	2,369,544	(67,846)	-	2,301,698
Cash at bank and in hand	2,034	411	-	2,445
Bank Overdraft	(1,015)	1,015	-	-
Net funds	2,370,563	(66,420)	-	2,304,143

