

Oxford Scandinavian Society

Auditor's Report 2023

As Auditor, I am responsible for reviewing the annual Treasurer's report, the Society's annual accounts, and the accompanying documentation. The purpose of the audit, within a reasonable effort, is to ascertain that the finances of the Oxford Scandinavian Society have been handed responsibly and contain no significant errors or inconsistencies. The Committee is responsible for the daily functioning of the Society and bears the ultimate responsibility for the accuracy of the annual report and annual accounts.

Through the audit, I found that the Treasurer's report is consistent with the accounting made available to me. The Treasurer has continued to use the *GnuCash* accounting software. As the second time auditing the Society and using this software, the accounting remains organized, well documented, and understandable. One change is the inclusion of stripe fees in the website expense category, which I agree makes the accounting easier, as noted in the Treasurer report. I found agreement between the accounting and the provided bank statements, invoices, and receipts. The Treasurer also answered all questions and promptly corrected a minor error in his report without hesitation. I recommend that the General Meeting approve the annual report and accounts, and grant the Committee freedom of liability.

Moreover, despite rising prices, especially the cost of sittings, the Committee has continued to improve the Society's finances and maintain a robust line of programming. These efforts will ensure the long-term operations of the Society and serve as a strong start for the new Committee. Additionally, for additional clarity and to streamline the process for future auditors, I recommend that the receipts sent to the auditor be clearly labeled with pertinent information, such as the name of the person to be reimbursed and the date of the transaction. If the stripe fees remain in the website expense category in the future, I also recommend renaming this category to "technology" or a similarly appropriate title.

In conclusion, I determined that the provided finances and accounting are in good order and that the Committee has done an excellent job this past year. I wish the new Committee all the best.

Washington, DC
17 February 2024



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