

Form AR27

Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992

Annual Return for an Employers' Association

Name of Employers' Association:

LONDON COUNCILS

Year ended:

31 March 2021

List No:

252E

Head or Main Office:

59½ SOUTHWARK STREET

LONDON

Postcode

SE1 0AL

Website address (if available)

www.londoncouncils.gov.uk

Has the address changed during the year to which the return relates?

Yes

No

X

('X' in appropriate box)

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Please follow the guidance notes in the completion of this return

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For Employers' Associations based in England and Wales: returns@certoffice.org

For Employers' Associations based in Scotland: ymw@tcyoung.co.uk

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Return of Members

(see note 9)

Number of members at the end of the year				
Great Britain	Northern Ireland	Irish Republic	Elsewhere Abroad (Including Channel Islands)	Totals
33	-	-	-	33

Change of Officers

Please complete the following to record any changes of officers during the twelve months covered by this return.

Position held	Name of Officer ceasing to hold office	Name of Officer appointed	Date of Change
Member	Cllr Peter John OBE	Cllr Kieron Williams	13 October 2020
Member	Cllr Tony Newman	Cllr Hamida Ali	08 December 2020
Member	Cllr Stephen Alambritis MBE	Cllr Mark Allison	08 December 2020
Member	Cllr Sir Ray Puddifoot MBE	Cllr Ian Edwards	09 February 2021

Officers in post

(see note 10)

Please complete list of all officers in post at the end of the year to which this form relates.

Name of Officer	Position held
Cllr Georgia Gould	Chair
Cllr Darren Rodwell	Deputy Chair
Cllr Ruth Dombey OBE	Vice Chair
Cllr Catherine McGuinness	Vice Chair
Cllr Teresa O'Neill OBE	Vice Chair
Cllr Hamida Ali	Member
Cllr Mark Allison	Member
Cllr Jas Athwal	Member
Cllr Julian Bell	Member
Mayor John Biggs	Member
Cllr Muhammed Butt	Member
Cllr Nesil Caliskan	Member
Cllr Elizabeth Campbell	Member
Cllr Clare Coghill	Member
Cllr Stephan Cowan	Member
Cllr Steve Curran	Member
Cllr Ian Edwards	Member
Mayor Damien Egan	Member
Cllr Joseph Ejiofor	Member
Mayor Rokshana Fiaz OBE	Member
Mayor Philip Glanville	Member
Cllr Ravi Govindia	Member
Cllr Graham Henson	Member
Cllr Jack Hopkins	Member
Cllr Caroline Kerr	Member
Cllr Rachel Robathan	Member
Cllr Gareth Roberts	Member
Cllr Colin Smith	Member
Cllr Daniel Thomas	Member
Cllr Danny Thorpe	Member
Cllr Richard Watts	Member
See attached complete list of members	

Revenue Account / General Fund

(see notes 11 to 16)

Previous Year			£	£
(Restated)	Income			
45,106,027	From Members	Subscriptions, levies, etc	46,318,845	46,318,845
	Investment income	Interest and dividends (gross)		
121,886		Bank interest (gross)	222,217	222,217
		Other (specify)		
-631,000		Net return on pension assets/liabilities	-558,000	-558,000
-509,114		Total Investment Income	-335,783	-335,783
419,336	Other Income	Rents received	61,540	61,540
		Insurance commission		
		Consultancy fees		
14,278		Publications/Seminars	1,680	1,680
		Miscellaneous receipts (specify)		
14,112,132		Other operating income	10,230,036	10,230,036
4,467,000		Actuarial gain on pension scheme		
19,012,746		Total of other income		10,293,256
63,609,659		Total income		56,276,318
	Interfund Transfers IN			
	Expenditure			
9,161,430	Administrative expenses	Remuneration and expenses of staff	9,840,545	9,840,545
2,199,513		Occupancy costs	1,889,569	1,889,569
86,406		Printing, Stationery, Post	59,298	59,298
55,896		Telephones	63,906	63,906
1,591,908		Legal and Professional fees	1,542,648	1,542,648
		Miscellaneous (specify)		
13,095,153		Total of Admin expenses		13,395,966
	Other Charges	Bank charges	43,751	43,751
62,837		Depreciation	249,748	249,748
282,877		Sums written off		
203		Affiliation fees		
		Donations		
140,524		Conference and meeting fees	47,401	47,401
		Expenses		
		Miscellaneous (specify)		
28,479,542		Payment to Transport Operators	26,974,429	26,974,429
7,732,606		Grants to Voluntary Organisations	8,020,532	8,020,532
		Actuarial loss on pension scheme	16,590,000	16,590,000
12,036,501		Other operating expenditure	9,699,937	9,699,937
48,735,090		Total of other charges		61,625,798
	Taxation			
61,830,243		Total expenditure		75,021,764
	Interfund Transfers OUT			
1,779,416		Surplus/Deficit for year		-18,745,446
-12,048,441		Amount of fund at beginning of year		-10,269,025
-10,269,025		Amount of fund at end of year		-29,014,471

(see notes 17 to 18)

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(see notes 17 to 18)

Account 5		Fund Account	
Name of account:		£	£
Income	From members		
	Investment income		
	Other income (specify)		
		Total Income	
	Interfund Transfers IN		
Expenditure			
	Administrative expenses		
	Other expenditure (specify)		
		Total Expenditure	
	Interfund Transfers OUT		
		Surplus (Deficit) for the year	
		Amount of fund at beginning of year	
		Amount of fund at the end of year (as Balance Sheet)	

(see notes 17 to 18)

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Balance Sheet as at [31 March 2021]

(see notes 19 and 20)

Previous Year		£	£
1,107,230	Fixed Assets (as at Page 8)	1,084,026	1,084,026
	Investments (as per analysis on page 9)		
	Quoted (Market value £) as at Page 9		
	Unquoted (Market value £) as at Page 9		
	Total Investments		
	Other Assets		
7,297,869	Sundry debtors	6,460,242	6,460,242
16,676,370	Cash at bank and in hand	15,249,388	15,249,388
	Stocks of goods		
	Others (specify)		
25,081,469	Total of other assets	21,709,630	21,709,630
	Total Assets		22,793,656
-10,269,025	Revenue Account/ General Fund	-29,014,471	
	Revaluation Reserve		
	Liabilities		
3,825,235	Sundry creditors	3,039,354	
6,439,961	Accrued expenses	5,532,281	
937,298	Provisions	740,492	
24,148,000	Other liabilities	42,496,000	
35,350,494	Total Liabilities		51,808,127
25,081,469	Total Assets		22,793,656

Fixed Assets account

(see note 21)

	Land and Buildings	Fixtures & Fittings	Motor Vehicles & Equipment	Total £
Cost or Valuation				
At start of period		863,402	243,828	1,107,230
Additions during period		134,579	91,965	226,544
Less: Disposals				
Less: Depreciation		-160,820	-88,928	-249,748
Total to end of period		837,161	246,865	1,084,026
Book Amount at end of period		837,161	246,865	1,084,026
Freehold				
Leasehold (50 or more years unexpired)				
Leasehold (less than 50 years unexpired)				
Total of Fixed Assets		837,161	246,865	1,084,026

Analysis of Investments

(see note 22)

Quoted		Other Funds
	British Government & British Government Guaranteed Securities	
	British Municipal and County Securities	
	Other quoted securities (to be specified)	
	Total Quoted (as Balance Sheet)	
	Market Value of Quoted Investments	
Unquoted	British Government Securities	
	British Municipal and County Securities	
	Mortgages	
	Other unquoted investments (to be specified)	
	Total Unquoted (as Balance Sheet)	
	Market Value of Unquoted Investments	

* Market value of investments to be stated where these are different from the figures quoted in the balance sheet

Analysis of investment income (Controlling interests)

(see note 23)

Does the association, or any constituent part of the association, have a controlling interest in any limited company?

Yes

No

If Yes name the relevant companies:

Company name

Company registration number (if not registered in England & Wales, state where registered)

London Councils Limited (A company limited by guarantee)

3037449

Incorporated Employers' Associations

Are the shares which are controlled by the association registered in the association's name

Yes

No

If NO, please state the names of the persons in whom the shares controlled by the association are registered.

Company name

Names of shareholders

Unincorporated Employers' Associations

Are the shares which are controlled by the association registered in the names of the association's trustees?

Yes

No

If NO, state the names of the persons in whom the shares controlled by the association are registered.

Company name

Names of shareholders

Summary Sheet

(see notes 24 to 33)

	All Funds	Total Funds
		£
Income		
From Members	46,318,845	46,318,845
From Investments	-335,783	-335,783
Other Income (including increases by revaluation of assets)	10,293,256	10,293,256
Total Income	56,276,318	56,276,318
Expenditure (including decreases by revaluation of assets)		
Total Expenditure	75,021,764	75,021,764
Funds at beginning of year (including reserves)	-10,269,025	-10,269,025
Funds at end of year (including reserves)	-29,014,471	-29,014,471
ASSETS		
Fixed Assets		1,084,026
Investment Assets		
Other Assets		21,709,630
Total Assets		22,793,656
Liabilities		
Total Liabilities		51,808,127
Net Assets (Total Assets less Total Liabilities)		-29,014,471

Summary Sheet

(see notes 24 to 33)

		All Funds	Total Funds
		£	£
Income			
From Members			
From Investments			
Other Income (including increases by revaluation of assets)			
	Total Income		
Expenditure			
(including decreases by revaluation of assets)			
	Total Expenditure		
Funds at beginning of year			
(including reserves)			
Funds at end of year			
(including reserves)			
ASSETS			
	Fixed Assets		
	Investment Assets		
	Other Assets		
	Total Assets		
Liabilities			
	Total Liabilities		
Net Assets (Total Assets less Total Liabilities)			

Notes to the accounts

(see note 34)

All notes to the accounts must be entered on or attached to this part of the return.

The Consolidated Statement of Accounts for London Councils Joint Committee for the year ended 31 March 2021 are attached to this return. The notes to the accounts can be found on pages 55 to 87 of the Consolidated accounts.

The comparative figures for the 2020/21 financial year have been restated to agree with London Councils audited accounts for 2020/21.

Accounting policies

(see notes 35 & 36)



The accounting policies can be found on note 1 which is on pages 55 to 63 of the Consolidated Statement of Accounts for London Councils Joint Committee for the year ended 31 March 2021 which is attached to this return.

Signatures to the annual return

(see notes 37 and 38)

Including the accounts and balance sheet contained in the return.

Please copy and paste your electronic signature here

Secretary's Signature:		Chairman's Signature:	
Name:	Steve Davies	Name:	Cllr Georgia Gould
Date:	23 February 2022	Date:	09 March 2022

Checklist

(see note 39)

(please enter 'X' as appropriate)

Is the return of officers attached? (see Page 2)	Yes	X	No	
Has the list of officers been completed? (see Page 2A)	Yes	X	No	
Has the return been signed? (see Note 37)	Yes	X	No	
Has the auditor's report been completed? (see Note 41)	Yes	X	No	
Is the rule book enclosed? (see Note 39)	Yes	X	No	
Has the summary sheet been completed? (see Notes 6 and 24 to 33)	Yes	X	No	

Checklist for auditor's report

(see notes 41 to 44)

The checklist below is for guidance. A report is still required either set out overleaf or by way of an attached auditor's report that covers the 1992 Act requirements.

1. In the opinion of the auditors or auditor do the accounts they have audited and which are contained in this return give a true and fair view of the matters to which they relate? (See section 36(1) and (2) of the 1992 Act and notes 43 and 44)

Please explain in your report overleaf or attached.

2. Are the auditors or auditor of the opinion that the union has complied with section 28 of the 1992 Act and has:

- a. kept proper accounting records with respect to its transactions and its assets and liabilities; and
- b. established and maintained a satisfactory system of control of its accounting records, its cash holding and all its receipts and remittances.

(See section 36(4) of the 1992 Act set out in note 43)

Please explain in your report overleaf or attached.

3. Your auditors or auditor must include in their report the following wording:

In our opinion the financial statements:

- **give a true and fair view of the matters to which they relate to.**
- **have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the sections 28, 32 and 36 of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (consolidation) Act 1992.**

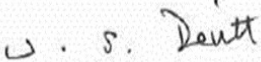
Auditor's report (continued)

We have attached our independent auditor's report to the members of London Councils Joint Committee on the financial statements of London Councils Joint Committee for the year ended 31 March 2021 (the 'Independent auditor's report'). All information referenced below is not provided as a substitute, nor an alternative to the Independent auditor's report and the financial statements to which this form AR27 relates.

The user must also be made aware that we have not performed additional procedures in relation to these figures, and have agreed the amounts to prior work, which was completed during the process of our financial statement audit of London Councils Joint Committee financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2021. Within this form AR27, we have reviewed the extraction of data and agreed the classification of each line item, between the general ledger and the form AR27.

The requirements under sections 28, 32(3)(a) and 36 of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 of London Councils to keep proper accounting records and to obtain an independent auditor's report are noted. These requirements were covered during our routine audit work and we did not have to modify our audit or our independent auditor's report for any issues including concerns over the accounting records. Thus London Councils has complied with these requirements in all material respects.

All responses included within the form AR27, and any references provided in relation to the Independent auditor's report, including our opinion, are provided for the use of the members as a body only, and should not be shared for other use. Within the provision of giving our opinion, we do not accept or assume any

Signature(s) of auditor or auditors:		
Name(s):	WILLIAM S DEVITT	
Profession(s) or Calling(s):	CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT (FCA)	
Address(es)	GRANT THORNTON UK LLP, 30 FINSBURY SQUARE, LONDON, EC2A 1AG	
Date:	15 March 2022	
Contact name for enquiries and telephone number:	Ibukun Oluwasegun +44 (0)20 7728 3116	

N.B. When notes to the accounts are referred to in the auditor's report a copy of those notes must accompany this return.

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