

THE BRITISH MALAYSIAN SOCIETY

ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

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Bankers

HSBC Bank

Independent Examiner

Joe Lee, Leftley Rowe & Co, Chartered Accountants

Statement of the Executive Committee's responsibilities

Under the constitution, the Executive Committee is required to prepare accounts for each financial year which show a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Society and of the excess or deficit of income over expenditure. In preparing those accounts, generally accepted accounting practice entails that the Executive Committee:

- selects suitable accounting policies and then applies them consistently;
- complies with the requirements of the constitution in preparing the accounts;
- prepares the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Society will continue its activities.

The Executive Committee is required to act in accordance with the constitution of the Society. It is responsible for keeping proper accounting records. It has general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to it to safeguard the assets of the Society and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

Report of the Independent Examiner to the members of The British Malaysian Society

I have examined the accounts of The British Malaysian Society for the year ended 31 December 2022 which comprise the Income and Expenditure Account, the Balance Sheet and the related notes. These accounts have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein.

This report is made solely to the Society's members, as a body. My examination has been undertaken so that I might state to the Society's members those matters I am required to state to them in an independent examiner report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Society and the Society's members as a body, for my examination, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

Respective responsibilities of the Executive Committee and Independent Examiner

As described on page 1, the Executive Committee is responsible for the preparing the accounts. It is my responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on my examination of those accounts, and to report my opinion to you.

Basis of opinion

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

Opinion

In my opinion the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022 have been properly prepared on an accruals basis as set out in Note 3 to the accounts.

Joe Lee ACA

28 June 2023

Leftley Rowe & Co
Chartered Accountants

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Income and expenditure account
For the year ended 31 December 2022

	2022		2021	
	£	£	£	£
Subscriptions (Note 2)				
Corporate members		6,750		7,950
Individual members		3,884		5,663
Joint members		2,651		2,747
Student Members		126		67
		13,411		16,427
Bank interest		-		-
		13,411		16,427
Less: Expenditure				
Function expenses		42,713		14,633
Less – contributions		<u>(36,502)</u>		<u>(10,424)</u>
Deficit from functions		6,211		4,209
Proceeds from auction and raffle at annual dinner		1,578		2,560
Proceeds allocated for charitable & student initiatives		<u>(1,578)</u>		<u>(2,560)</u>
Printing & postage		-		29
Insurance		174		-
Independent Examiner’s fees		390		
360				
Bank charges		137		
-				
Website, IT support & zoom costs		1,809		3,009
Website updates and marketing		1,456		750
PO Box rental		127		67
		10,304		8,424
Surplus for the year		3,107		8,003
Accumulated fund at beginning of the year		66,474		
58,471				
		69,581		66,474
Accumulated fund at the end of the year		69,581		66,474

The notes on page 5 form part of these accounts.

Balance sheet at 31 December 2022

	2022		2021	
	£	£	£	£
Current assets				
Balance at bank		77,347		83,945
Stock		294		361
Debtors		2,625		2,330
		80,266		86,636
 Current liabilities				
Subscriptions received in advance (Note 2)		-		750
Fund for charitable & student initiatives		7,605		2,140
Sundry creditors		<u>3,080</u>		<u>17,272</u>
		<u>10,685</u>		<u>20,162</u>
 Net current assets		<u>69,581</u>		<u>66,474</u>
 Represented by:				
Accumulated fund		<u>69,581</u>		<u>66,474</u>

The accounts were approved by the Executive Committee on

Mei Sim Lai OBE DL
Chairman

Stuart Eu
Hon Treasurer

The Notes on page 5 form part of these accounts.

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022

- 1** The Society was formed in November 1983 to foster friendship and to promote close and harmonious relations between Malaysia and the United Kingdom in business, trade, education, culture and tourism.
- 2** Membership subscriptions are due on 1 January for each calendar year. For new members joining on or after 31 August their subscription covers the rest of that year and the whole of the following year. Accordingly, the period in the year of joining is treated as free membership and that subscription income is reflected only in the following year.
- 3** The accounts have been prepared on an accruals basis.
- 4** There is no taxation on the grounds that the Executive Committee does not consider the Society to have any taxable income and chargeable gains as described in guidance ‘Clubs, Societies and Voluntary Associations’ issued by HMRC.