

Report and Financial Statements For the year ended 30 April 2016

Charity Number 1117449 Company Number 5794137

## Surveillance Studies Network Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 30 April 2015

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## Surveillance Studies Network Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 30 April 2015

The Directors present their report and independently examined financial statements for the year ended 30 April 2015.

#### Reference and administrative information

Charity Name: Surveillance Studies Network

Charity Registration Number: 1117449

Company Registration Number: 5794137

Registered Office: 60 Leyspring Road, London, UK, E11 3BX

### **Board of Directors**

Professor Pete Fussey (appointed June 2015) Professor Torin Monahan (appointed June 2015) Professor Dean Wilson Treasurer (appointed January 2011) Dr Nilz Zurawski (appointed January 2012)

#### **Bankers**

The Co-operative Bank, PO Box 250, Delf House, Southway, Skelmersdale, WN8 6WT

#### **Solicitors**

Simmons and Simmons, CityPoint, One Ropemaker Street, London EC2Y 9SS

#### Accountants

Counterculture Partners Ltd, LGoS, 160 Mount Pleasant, Liverpool, L3 5TR, UK

## **DIRECTORS' REPORT 2015-16**

# Structure, Governance and Management

## Governing document

The organization is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 25<sup>th</sup> April 2006 and registered as a charity on 4<sup>th</sup> January 2007. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which contained the objects and powers of the charitable company, and is governed under its Articles of Association. In the event of the company being wound up members are required to contribute an amount not exceeding £1.

## Recruitment and appointment of the board of directors

The directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law. Under the requirements of the Memorandum and Articles of Association the members of the Board of Directors are elected to serve for a period of three years after which they must be re-elected at the next Annual General Meeting for a further three years. No director may serve more than six consecutive years on the board.

Surveillance Studies Network's primary aim is to inform and educate the public about current developments in surveillance practice through its free to access online journal, 'Surveillance & Society'. Surveillance Studies Network was founded to form a legally independent home for the journal, and so the first board of directors are the journal's co-founding editors. Each director is required to be an appointed academic whose main research interest is an aspect of the surveillance society, as evidenced through their scholarly publications and practice. Four elected directors were in post during this reporting period: Dr Nils Zurawski, Professor Torin Monahan, Professor Dean Wilson and Professor Pete Fussey. Professor Kirstie Wright stepped down from her director role during June 2015 following many years of committed service to SSN since its inception. Professors Pete Fussey and Torin Monahan were elected during the reporting period.

# Director induction and training

Every director is familiar with the practical work of Surveillance Studies Network. Since its registration as a Charitable Company, each director has been diligent in familiarising themselves with the responsibilities associated with director/trustee role, as outlined by the Charity Commission, and in the Nolan principles. Impending changes in the composition of SSN directorship led to the organisation of induction and refresher training for all directors which was delivered during June 2015. This training covered aspects of legal and financial matters, charity governance and core director roles and responsibilities.

# Risk Management

As part of the registration process the directors considered the major risks to which the charitable company was exposed, which primarily concerned the viability of running Surveillance Studies Network as a going concern. The main risk in this respect concerns competition. As it is the first formal academic organization in this field of study (Surveillance Studies) it does not have any direct competitors. As a trans-disciplinary sub-discipline of sociology, geography, criminology, law, organization theory, political science, art, literature, film studies and international studies (among others), it is not envisaged that we are in competition for membership with larger academic associations (such as the British Sociological Association, or the British Society of Criminology, for example). Campaigning organizations such as Privacy International or the Electronic Privacy Information Centre (EPIC) are not our direct competitors as their core activities concern activism rather than education.

Future financial stability remains a point of concern. At present the principal forms of income are the ongoing grant from the Canadian Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council for the journal, member subscriptions, registrations for the biennial SSN conference and licensing.

Becoming a charitable company is itself a risk management strategy for the journal and its editors in two significant ways. First, it gives the journal independent legal status which protects it from being sold to publishing houses, thereby ensuring that it remains free to access for the general public. Second, it protects the editors from personal legal liability in the event of any dispute surrounding the content of the journal.

## **Organisational Structure**

The organisational structure of Surveillance Studies Network is derived from the following:

- It has two classes of member: ordinary members and executive members
- It has two broad streams of activity: administration of the charitable company and production of its journal

Executive Members comprise the directors and the members of the Network and Editorial Board. Executive members have various responsibilities regarding the management of the charitable company's activities, and are entitled to vote at annual general meetings. Ordinary members pay a biennial subscription and as part of their membership are entitled to:

- The opportunity to stand for election to the board of Surveillance Studies Network and Surveillance & Society
- Discounts on all SSN-sponsored conferences and events
- Approval and sponsorship of their research bids and events about surveillance
- Access to a member's area on the website, containing network and knowledge building opportunities
- Member discount with Routledge Publishing House
- Optional entry onto a list of media experts

The Executive Board, which is constituted by its four directors and a treasurer, collectively deal with overall matters of governance and policy relating to the charitable company and govern the charitable company.

The day-to-day running of the journal is completed by the Network and Editorial Board, where the directors and other executive members work together on journal production. The relationship between the two boards is shown in the diagram below. The diagram also shows the content of our two websites – one relating to the charitable company (surveillance-studies.net) and one containing our journal (surveillance-and-society.org) – and how they inter-relate.

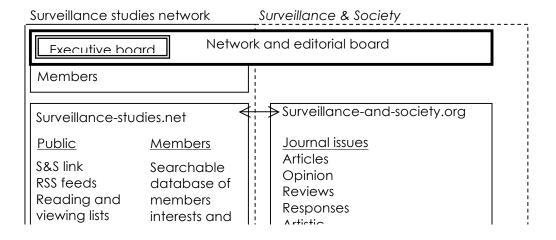


Figure 1: Governance structure of Surveillance Studies Network, incorporating our two websites Surveillance-Studies.net and Surveillance-and-Society.org

During most of 2015-2016 the Network and Editorial Board operated at near-full capacity with 24 members. Six new NEB members were nominated and elected during 2015-6 – Mark Andrejevic, Rachel Dubrofsky, Bill Staples, Emmeline Taylor, and Kevin Walby –, with all appointments taking effect in January 2016. These appointments are made for an initial period of three years. To conform with Canadian funding council SSHRC support for the journal we aim to staff a third of the NEB with members from that country (currently eight members). The aim is to have as many areas of the world represented as possible, cutting across as many disciplines and areas of expertise relevant to surveillance studies. So far the disciplines represented are: Sociology; Human Geography; Criminology; Urban Studies; Law; Science and Technology Studies; Organization Studies; Political Science; Media and Communication Studies; Cultural Studies; Gender Studies. The countries represented are: Australia, Brazil, Canada, England, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, Switzerland, and the US.

During 2015-6 SSN also held elections for two Associate Member Representatives to the board. Megan Wood and Alana Saulnier were elected to these posts for a period of two years.

There are a few specific mandates for board members, but individual roles are still emerging. General responsibilities for board members are:

- Generating proposals for new issues based on their own research and expertise; or pressing issues within the field
- Identifying potential guest editors and reviewers
- Suggesting journal content which is representative of their geographical area or region
- Attendance at and contribution to decisions and discussion items at board meetings
- Suggesting fundraising ideas

Specific responsibilities which have emerged so far include:

- Communications editor: responsible for website development
- Book Review Editor
- Debates Editor
- Awards committees
- Biennial conference organising committee
- Associate Editors of the journal, formally appointed from the Network and Editorial Board, to take a more active role in journal production activities

Plans were made to develop a number of formal committees, each with assigned membership and responsibilities, to be initiated during the 2016-17 reporting period.

The only selection criteria for NEB membership are that the editorial board member has a record of scholarly research and publication in Surveillance Studies and has strong collegial values. Everyone's contributions to the organization are on a purely voluntary basis. The network and editorial board is supported by an editorial assistant, whose time is currently being paid for by an eJournal grant from the

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada. In future years, it is hoped that enough funding will be raised to pay a small honorarium to a post-graduate student for editorial assistance.

The advisory editors referred to in figure one are external advisors who are not part of the governance structure of the organization, but who are sufficiently experienced in order to advise the journal on technical and academic matters as and when they arise.

# **Objectives and Activities**

The objects for which the Charitable Company is established are to advance education for the public benefit by promoting the study of surveillance as a facet of contemporary social and technological change, and the study of its consequences for individuals, groups, organizations, nations and regions. Pursuant to this overall objective we also:

- Support and promote the free exchange of academic information about surveillance across academic disciplines and cultures
- Promote learning and the sharing of knowledge about surveillance between scholars, students, organisations and the public world-wide;
- Own and publish the journal 'Surveillance & Society' and other online resources devoted to the publication of communications which advance knowledge concerning the study of Surveillance & Society.

The trustees have given due consideration to Charity Commission published guidance on the operation of the public benefit requirement and are satisfied that the charity meets these requirements.

The main objectives for the year 2015 - 2016 concerned continuing to establish Surveillance Studies Network as an organization, which primarily involved:

- Ensuring continuation of funding by running and hosting our biennial conference
- Continued development of SSN communications
- Continuing to publish Surveillance & Society
- Awards and Prizes for both established authors and junior scholars

## **Achievements and Performance**

In this section we report against each objective set for this year, which we regard as pursuant to our overall charitable objectives.

# Ensuring continuation of funding by running our biannual conference

The Surveillance Studies Network/Surveillance & Society biannual conference is the main way to raise funds for two reasons. The first is that it enables members to join the organization, and the second is that a portion of the profits generated by the conference are donated to the organization. The 7<sup>th</sup> Biennial Surveillance and Society Conference "Power, Performance and Trust" was held in Barcelona between 20-23 April and co-hosted by Eticas Research and Consulting and the Surveillance Studies Network. The organising committee consisted of Liliana Arroyo Moliner (Eticas Research and Consulting), Gemma Galdon Clavell (Eticas Research and Consulting), Laura Lahoz Gonzalez (Eticas Research and Consulting), Daniel Trottier (Erasmus University Rotterdam), Rosamunde Van Brakel (Vrije Universiteit Brussel), Dean Wilson (University of Sussex), and Nils Zurawski (University of Hamburg) with additional involvement from Pete Fussey (University of Essex).

Feedback from delegates expresses a widely held view that the conference was a success. 132 academic papers were delivered across 43 panels demonstrating considerable breadth and strength in surveillance studies at present. A guest keynote lecture was delivered by Duncan Campbell and Oscar Gandy received the biennial SSN Outstanding Scholar Award. Professor Gandy's laudatio was scripted by David Lyon and Pete Fussey and delivered by David Lyon. Unlike previous years, there are no plans to dedicate a special issue of Surveillance & Society to SSN conference papers due to existing commitments for scheduled journal issues. Eticas Research and Consultancy produced a short video of the conference, which has been made publically available here:

## https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OWMUJySfwqY#action=share

The conference yielded substantial revenue for SSN via its share of the delegate fees and the recruitment of new networks memberships (see summary of accounts below) and remains vital for the financial sustainability of SSN. Plans are being developed to ensure a high standard of professionalism alongside visible markers of planning progress to ensure the continued success of future biennial conferences.

### Communication activities

The website is the main vehicle through which we promote our activities and events, and is being developed on an ongoing basis to serve as a networking hub and resource base for our members. The website <a href="www.surveillance-studies.net">www.surveillance-studies.net</a> is running well and is stable, and has been established as the charitable company's digital presence. It is updated regularly and primarily features announcements regarding upcoming conferences, relevant employment opportunities and the activities of SSN. Subsections of the website are updated on a rolling basis – including a reading list, a film list, and other information relevant to these. Rosamunde van Brakel initiated a Twitter account on surveillance, which became linked to the site (<a href="http://twitter.com/SurvStudiesNet">http://twitter.com/SurvStudiesNet</a>) and managed by Megan Wood during the reporting period. There are ambitions to extend the communication of SSN in the future, particularly to our membership but also to the broader public. The website itself is running on the latest version of Wordpress. The members section has now closed due to insufficient traffic. There are ongoing plans for improving the website's functionalities, which are increasingly possible due to improvements in the Wordpress software, and technological developments more generally.

Following approval from the NEB, and in pursuance of our first two charitable objectives (above), SSN committed £300 to support the production of an independent documentary on surveillance entitled *The Haystack*.

# Continuing to publish Surveillance & Society

Publication of the journal Surveillance and Society is the main way that we pursue our charitable objectives. We aim to publish four issues per calendar year. This is the sixth full year of the journal's operation on the 'Open Journal System' (OJS), which is an open source platform specifically for the publication of online academic journals. The OJS enables the streamlining and automation of many aspects of journal production, thus saving time and effort in the publication of issues.

The journal continues to be supported by the Canadian Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) following David Murakami Wood's successful bid to the 2014 Aid to Scholarly Journals competition, which will result in a contribution of almost CAD\$30,000 per annum for three years. This fund is primarily used to pay for the journal's Editorial Assistant, Sarah Cheung, and also enable support for additional publicity work (and thus support the first objective outlined above).

Following agreement at the 2014-15 AGM, discussions between the Editor-in-Chief and the directors, and consultation with the wider NEB we agreed to modify the structure of the journal's editorial

arrangements. This was agreed in order to mitigate, and share, the impact of the increasing workload currently placed on the Editor-in-Chief. These new arrangements initially involve the recruitment of an extended group of Associate Editors. This will be formalized during the 2016-17 reporting period and its success monitored.

Two new book review editors, Anders Albrechtslund and Kevin Walby were also appointed during this year

## **Refereeing Process**

Surveillance and Society accepts submissions in a number of formats:

- Full length peer reviewed article (8000 words)
- Opinion and debate pieces/research notes (3000 words)
- Review article (3000 words)
- Book reviews (1200 words)
- Presentations
- Artistic submissions (images, videos, poetry, performance pieces etc)

Our peer review process is of the highest standard. For each issue of Surveillance and Society, either the editor in chief, one of the Associate Editors, or a set of guest editors are responsible for the review process. In the case of the latter, a member of the editorial board is usually on hand to answer any queries from the guest editors. The editorial assistant deals with administration of each issue and communication with the authors, editors and reviewers.

Upon receiving a submission, the assigned editor reads the submission to decide whether it is to be sent out for review. If not, the submission is rejected, if so, the submission is sent to a minimum of two referees, selected by the editor on the basis of their expertise in the subject matter of the submission. The identity of the author is not revealed to the referees, nor that of the referees to the author. Referees are encouraged not to accept the submission for review if they think they recognize the work.

Referees are provided with a set of detailed guidelines by which to write their reviews. They rate the submission, and then provide separate comments for the authors and the editor of the issue. In each case, the editor in chief or guest editor constructively summarizes the reviews for the authors, and prioritizes the most critical or important revisions.

Surveillance and Society operates a two-stage reviewing process. First editorial sorting takes place to remove any clearly unpublishable or inappropriate articles. Secondly, high quality double-blind peer reviewing occurs, which always results in suggested revisions or full resubmission. We almost never publish a piece as it is, or with only minor corrections. However we also receive a relatively high quality of submissions in the first place.

#### **Directories**

Surveillance & Society is indexed by EBCSO SocINDEX<sup>TM</sup> (and Academic Search<sup>TM</sup>), and both CSA Sociological Abstracts and CSA Worldwide Political Science Abstracts, Scopus, Google Scholar, the International Bibliography of Social Sciences (IBSS), and the Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ). We are also listed by the SocioSite, and OJS journals.

#### Content

In the current reporting year four (4) issues of Surveillance and Society have been published, as follows:

- Vol 13, No 2 (2015): Surveillance and Security Intelligence After Snowden
- Vol 13, No 3/4 (2015): Surveillance Assymetries and Ambiguities

(Double issue) Papers from the Surveillance Studies Network / Surveillance & Society Biennial Conference, Barcelona 2014.

• Vol 14, No 1 (2016): Open Issue

In these 4 issues, there were 66 published pieces (and increase in range and number (50) from 2014-15:

- 29 peer-reviewed articles
- 30 opinion and debate pieces
- 3 book reviews
- 1 presentation
- 1 research note
- 2 editorials

## Readership

As of January 2017 and according to Queen's University real-time usage metrics for journals published via their OJS platform there were 60 144 full text and abstract views of Surveillance and Society items during the reporting year.

#### Citation Metrics

Please note that metrics do not correlate exactly to the reporting year but refer to the calendar year. There is no way of calculating metrics for the reporting year.

#### Impact Factor

Editor-in Chief Dr David Murakami Wood has undertaken analysis of a two-year cycle of citations and calculated a 2016 citation index (CI) for Surveillance and Society to be its highest ever, **2.22**, almost double the 2014 CI. One of the reasons for this particularly high score is one specific article by Van Dijk on Datafication in the Big Data Surveillance issue, which received 39 citations in 2016 on its own. However, even if this paper were removed, the *Surveillance and Society* citation index would still be 1.54, remaining the highest ever. Previous impact scores - 2014: 1.38; 2013: 1.1; 2012: 1.2; 2011: 1.33; 2010: 1.11, 2009: 1.1 and 2008: 0.75).

This is a very strong impact factor for a social science journal. If the journal were to be included by Thomson Reuters, 2.22 would place it higher than any equivalent new media / transdisciplinary social science journal and far above interdisciplinary social science journals like *Identity in the Information Society (IDIS)*, *Media, Culture and Society, Economy and Society, Urban Studies* and *Theory, Culture and Society*.

This impact factor was calculated using the same method used by Thompson Reuters, but based on Google Scholar figures: number of citations (in any peer-reviewed journal articles) of peer-reviewed articles published by Surveillance & Society in the two previous years, 2014 and 2015, divided by the total number of peer-reviewed articles published by Surveillance & Society in those two years. This was interpreted as meaning Issue 12(1) to 13(3 / 4) (although 14(1) was also within the reporting period).

#### h5-index

Google Scholar H5-index for 2016 (which relates to citations and publications over a longer, 5-year period) is 18, up from 15 in 2014 and 11 in 2012.

82% of articles published in Surveillance and Society get cited, which is above the social science average that seems to be below 40%, with 62% qualifying for the CI.

#### **Awards and Prizes**

Having identified new funding sources in the previous reporting year, stemming from membership, conference profits, book royalties and copyright, the directors devised ways of using this money to achieve SSN's charitable objects. It was decided that SSN would fund a number of different activities.

- Small grants
- Surveillance Studies Summer Seminar (SSSS) global surveillance studies scholar awards
- Surveillance & Society Annual Paper Prize
- SSN Surveillance Studies Book Prize
- Outstanding Scholar Award

Small grants are now available, on an ad hoc basis, although none were awarded in the current reporting year.

Up to four annual paper prizes can be awarded to the best papers published by Early Career Researchers in *Surveillance & Society*. Announcements of prize recipients will be made by the AGM each year, if not before.

SSN Surveillance Studies Book Prize

The SSN Surveillance Studies Book Prize is awarded to monographs brought to press during the preceeding year. The 2015 SSN Surveillance Book Prize was shared between two

Staples, William G. 2014. Everyday Surveillance: Vigilance and Visibility in Postmodern Life. 2nd ed. Lanham, Md.: Rowman & Littlefield Publishers.

The prize committee commented,

"Accessible and engaging, Staples' 'Everyday Surveillance' is an excellent introduction to surveillance studies. It provides insight into the micro-politics of 'postmodern surveillance practices' in everyday life, noting the sheer volume of techniques that now envelop even those who might have previously been immune. Staples breaks down some of the taken for granted frameworks and concepts in the field, and applies them to an impressive range of examples and scenarios to expose the often hidden mechanisms and consequences of 'everyday surveillance'."

McCahill, Michael, and Rachel L. Finn. 2014. Surveillance, Capital and Resistance: Theorizing the Surveillance Subject. New York: Routledge.

The prize committee commented,

"Moving beyond Orwell and Foucault, 'Surveillance, Capital and Resistance' offers new frames and concepts for grappling with the ways in which surveillance is experienced, contested and resisted. Drawing upon Bourdieu's forms of capital, McCahill and Finn provide alternative readings of surveillance, and although careful not to 'claim to speak on behalf of the surveillance subjects' that appear in the book, they provide vital insights into the lives of individuals who 'find themselves at the heart of the "field of struggle" (p.9). Such individuals include protesters and offenders who are subject to enhanced surveillance from a variety of public and private entities."

The Surveillance Studies Book Prize Committee 2015 was: Emmeline Taylor, Australian National University, Australia (chair) Megan Wood, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, USA The 2015 Surveillance & Society Annual Paper Prize is awarded for for the best paper published by an early career scholar in the journal during the previous year (2014). Two prizes were awarded in 2015:

- Reigeluth, Tyler Butler. 2014. Why data is not enough: Digital traces as control of self and self-control. *Surveillance & Society* 12(2), 243-254.
- Monaghan, Jeffrey. 2014. Security traps and discourses of radicalization: Examining surveillance practices targeting Muslims in Canada. *Surveillance & Society* 12(4), 485-501.

The Surveillance & Society Annual Paper Prize committee was: Alana Saulnier, University of Illinois at Chicago, USA (chair) David Murakami Wood, Queen's University, Canada

#### **Financial Review**

The Surveillance Studies Network has successfully reached a modest though robust financial position over the course of the 2015/16 financial year. These resources are invaluable in facilitating SSN to pursue its charitable objectives.

### **Principal Funding Sources**

All of the work undertaken for the charitable company by the directors and the editorial board of *Surveillance & Society* are on a voluntary basis. SSN has been very fortunate to secure, through the initiative of the Editor-In-Chief of *Surveillance & Society*, David Murakami Wood, funding from the Canadian Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council to support the journal including the employment of an editorial assistant. The biannual conference continues to produce a profit, and membership fees and conference surplus remain the principal sources of funding for the Network. While this funding has previously been used primarily to cover support costs, SSN is now generating sufficient surplus to enable it to expand its activities – be that in newly evolving activities or the augmentation of existing ones. The modest extra income derived from royalties and copyright has enabled SSN to offer prizes, awards and research pump priming grants to members. The capacity to engage in such activities is now enhanced.

## **Investment Policy**

For the first time since the inception of SSN, the reserves are sufficient to consider the development of an investment policy, which would potentially secure a more robust financial platform for the company to pursue its charitable objectives. The company is legally permitted to pursue investments – provided they are consistent with its charitable objectives – while maintaining tax exempt status on any profit generated as a result.

### **Reserves Policy**

As the amount held by the charitable company in reserves has to date been small, the only policy currently is that they be held as a buffer in case of any unexpected start up and support costs. Given the growth of reserves, it may be advisable for the Board to consider the development of a clearer policy in relation to reserves.

#### Plans for future periods

The charitable company plans to continue its activities outlined above in future years subject to satisfactory funding arrangements. SSN continues to prioritise the production and dissemination of the journal as a key charitable objective. It is of fundamental importance that the journal remain free to access online and as such journal production remains core business for SSN and is likely to remain so in the forthcoming years. The current relative financial strength of SSN should also facilitate the further development of charitable objectives — including prizes, awards and public and membership communication and community building — in the upcoming period.

Charity number: 1117449

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(England and Wales)

**Surveillance Studies Network** 

**Report of the Trustees and Unaudited Financial Statements** 

For the year ended 30 April 2016

The Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 30<sup>th</sup> April 2016

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## Surveillance Studies Network Report of the Trustees For the year ended 30 April 2016

The Trustees, who are also directors for the purposes of company law, have pleasure in presenting their report and the financial statements for the charitable company for the year ended 30 April 2016.

#### REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Charity registration number 1117449

Company registration number 05794137

Principal address 60 Leyspring Road

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Trustees Dr Nils Zurawski

Professor Dean Wilson Professor Pete Fussey

(Appointed: 01 August 2015)

Dr Torin Monahan

(Appointed: 14 June 2015)

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#### STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

#### **Governing document**

The charity is governed by it's Memorandum and Articles of Association and was incorporated on 25 April 2006 as amended by special resolution dated 19 September 2006.

Every member undertakes, if the Company is wound up or dissolved while he/she remains a member or within 12 months after ceasing to be a member, to contribute up to the sum of one pound (£1) towards the liabilities incurred by the Company while the contributor was a member and the costs of winding up or dissolution.

#### Recruitment and appointment of trustees

The recruitment and appointment of trustees is laid out in full within our Articles of Association available at Companies House.

#### STATEMENT ON PUBLIC BENEFIT

The charity advances education in surveillance studies by promoting its purpose to the wider public.

The trustees have had due regard to the charity commission's public benefit guidance when exercising any powers or duties to which the guidance is relevant.

#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

The objects for which the charity is established are the advancement of education for the public benefit by the promotion of the study of surveillance as a facet of contemporary social and technological change and its consequences for individuals, groups, organisations, nations and regions by;

- 1. Supporting and promoting the free exchange of academic information about surveillance across academic disciplines and cultures.
- 2. Promoting learning and the sharing of knowledge about surveillance between scholars, students, organisations and the public world wide
- 3. Owning and publishing a journal known as Surveillance and Society and other online resources devoted to the publication of communications which advance knowledge concerning the study of surveillance and society.

## Surveillance Studies Network Report of the Trustees Continued For the year ended 30 April 2016

#### **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

At the beginning of the year the Charity's reserves stood at £24,723. Incoming resources in the year amounted to £2,576 being mainly made up of membership fees with a small amount of bank interest. Outgoing resources in the year were £1,301. Reserves at the year end were £25,998

The trustees aim to maintain sufficient unrestricted funds to cover the charity's liabilities and provide a reserve of £20,000

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to companies subject to the small companies regime within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

Approved by the Board and signed on its behalf by:			
Professor Dean Wilson Trustee	30 January 2017		

# Surveillance Studies Network Statement of Financial Activities (including Income and Expenditure account) For the year ended 30 April 2016

	Notes	Unrestricted funds	2015
		£	£
Income and endowments from:			
Donations and legacies	2	2,333	3,403
Investments	3	243	23
Total		2,576	3,426
Expenditure on:			
Raising funds	4	<del>-</del>	(1,000)
Charitable activities	5/6/7	(1,301)	(1,416)
Total		(1,301)	(2,416)
Net income		1,275	1,010
Reconciliation of funds			
Total funds brought forward		24,723	23,713
Total funds carried forward		25,998	24,723

Registered Number:

05794137

## **Surveillance Studies Network Balance Sheet** As at 30 April 2016

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	Notes	2016	2015
		£	£
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		27,106	26,644
		27,106	26,644
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	9	(1,108)	(1,921)
Net current assets		25,998	24,723
Total assets less current liabilities		25,998	24,723
Net assets		25,998	24,723
The funds of the charity			
Unrestricted income funds	10	25,998	24,723
Total funds		25,998	24,723

For the year ended 30 April 2016 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section
- The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

These financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board and signed on its behalf by:

Professor Dean Wilson

Trustee

30 January 2017

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## Surveillance Studies Network Notes to the Financial Statements For the year ended 30 April 2016

#### 1. Accounting Policies

#### **Basis of accounting**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for investments which are included at market value and the revaluation of certain fixed assets and in accordance with applicable United Kingdom accounting standards, the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORPtype) and the Companies Act 2006

#### Going concern

Subscriptions

The accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis and the trustees believe there to be no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

#### **Funds**

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objects of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

#### 2. Income from donations and legacies

2. Income from donations and legacies		
	2016	2015
	£	£
Unrestricted funds		
Subscriptions received	2,333	3,403
	2,333	3,403
3. Investment income		
	2016	2015
	£	£
Unrestricted funds		
UK bank interest receivable	243	23
	243	23
4. Expenditure on generating donations and legacies		
	2016	2015
	£	£

# Surveillance Studies Network Notes to the Financial Statements Continued For the year ended 30 April 2016

5. Costs of charitable activities by fund type		
	2016	2015
	£	£
Unrestricted funds		
Promotion of surveillance education	731	983
6. Costs of charitable activities by activity type		
	2016	2015
	£	£
Promotion of surveillance education	731	983
7. Governance costs	0040	2245
	2016 £	2015 £
Accountancy fees	420	420
Legal fees	150	13
	570	433
8. Net income/(expenditure) for the year		
This is stated after charging/(crediting):		
	2016	2015
	£	£
Accountancy fees	420	420
9. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		
	2016	2015
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	1,108	1,921
	1,108	1,921

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#### 10. Movement in funds

#### **Unrestricted Funds**

	Balance at 01/05/2015 £	Incoming resources	Outgoing resources £	Balance at 30/04/2016
General				
General	24,723	2,576	(1,301)	25,998
	24,723	2,576	(1,301)	25,998

#### **Purpose of Unrestricted Funds**

## General

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objects of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes. General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objects of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

#### 11. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Net current assets / (liabilities)	Net Assets
	£	£
Unrestricted funds		
General		
General	25,998	25,998
	25,998	25,998