

## COMPLETING THE WI FINANCIAL STATEMENT (Mar 23 Excel version)

### Before the end of the financial year

- Pay any outstanding bills.
- Make sure you have collected all money due.
- Pay any cash or cheques into the bank.

### At the end of the financial year:

Ensure you have a bank statement up to the end date of your financial year, and a statement for any savings or o

You will also need a copy of your WI's financial statement for last year. Enter totals from this in the 'Last year' col

### Reconcile the bank statement total to the bank balance figure in the account book

These two figures will not necessarily be the same as some receipts and payments may not have cleared in the b

The formula for the reconciliation is:

<u>Bank statement</u>	closing balance at year end
Plu	Total amounts paid in to the bank but not cleared
Mir	Total cheques written but not cleared
Mir	Total cheques still uncleared from last year, if any
Eq	<u>Bank Balance total in account book</u>

If your WI has more than one current account, (including having a PayPal account or a secondary account of this

Enter the figures above in section B1.2 of the financial statement.

### Financial Statement headings: page 1 of the financial statement:

WI name: is completed automatically on pages 1-4 from row 2 of the Receipts sheet.

Charity number: If your WI is registered with the Charity Commission, enter the registration number.

Federation: Enter the name of your federation.

Period from and to dates: Enter the dates your financial year started and ended, e.g. from 01/04/YY to 31/03/YY.

### Section A: Receipts and Payments

#### A1 and A2:

Most receipts and payments totals for the year will be completed automatically from the Receipts and Payments pages of t  
See page 4 for an explanatory note about funds received and paid as agent.

If you have a savings or deposit account where interest is paid directly into the account, enter this in cell D26.

If your WI owns a hall and keeps separate receipts and payments accounts for the hall, enter the total receipts and paymen

If your WI owns a hall that has a separate set of accounts, enter the total receipts and payments from the hall accounts.

#### A3 and A4 Restricted funds

Charity accounting rules require you to show details of any restricted funds separately. These are funds which must only b  
Enter the total receipts and payments of restricted funds at A3 and A4, if any.

#### A5

Enter the total for cash funds carried forward from last year's financial statement.

#### A6

Total cash funds will be completed automatically. Please note that this should be the same as the total cash funds in sectic

**A7**

If the WI has not spent all restricted funds by the end of the financial year, enter the balance held.

**Section B: Statement of Assets and Liabilities at the year end**

This is in place of a balance sheet. It should give a broad understanding of the type of assets controlled by the WI Committee.

**B1: Cash funds**

**B1.1** The current account balance will be completed automatically from the Receipts and Payments pages of the account book.

**B1.3** If the WI has a deposit or savings account, enter the total balance at the year end.

**B1.4** Enter any petty cash balance at the year end.

**B1.5** If the WI has not yet fully paid over monies collected as agent by the year end, the balance will be here, e.g. any federal grants.

**B1.6** The total cash funds will be calculated automatically.

**B2 – B5** Complete any of these that apply to your WI. Otherwise, leave blank.

**B2 Investments**

If your WI holds investments (in addition to any savings account), you should obtain a statement of the value at the year end.

**B3 Other monetary assets**

Enter the total of any other monetary assets here, e.g. any money owed to the WI at the year end.

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Enter a description of any property or significant equipment; enter the value and original cost if meaningful information is available.

**B5 Liabilities**

Enter any monies owed by the WI either at the year end or at some date in the future, such as a loan.

**Section C: Notes to the financial statement****C1 Funds received and paid as agent**

Receipts and payments will be completed automatically from the Receipts and Payments pages of the account book. This section is for notes only.

**C2 Restricted funds**

Enter a description of any restricted funds the WI had in the year and the receipts and payments for each fund, if more than one.

**C3 Further details of activities / fundraising / other receipts and payments**

Provide a further breakdown of the totals in the A1 and A2, e.g. by type of activity or event.

**Independent Financial Examination**

The WI must appoint an independent financial examiner. This should be an independent person who is reasonably believed to be independent. An independent examiner cannot be:

- A trustee, or custodian trustee, of the charity
- A related party of a trustee or custodian trustee
- The donor of any land to the charity

- The charity's bookkeeper

It is recommended that you use your federation's IFE scheme if they operate one; the federation will allocate an independent examiner. You should provide the independent examiner with the completed financial statement and the supporting paperwork. If the independent examiner may raise matters that can be corrected in the financial statement before it is finalised. If the examiner has significant concerns about the final financial statement, they will issue a qualified report and disclose the

### **Signing the Financial Statement**

When finalised, the financial statement should be signed at the end of page 2 on behalf of all the WI Trustees (Committee

### **Presenting the accounts to WI members at the Annual Meeting**

In accordance with the WI Constitution, the retiring Committee must present to the Annual Meeting a report of the work of the

### **Annual report requirement for WIs registered with the Charity Commission**

All registered charities are also required to produce an annual report with mandatory content. A separate guidance note is

#### ***Printing the Financial Statement***

*Individual printer settings may differ therefore to ensure the financial statement prints correctly on four pages, click 'Page L*

*Check it will print correctly by clicking 'View' in the toolbar then 'Page Break Preview'. Adjust the position of the page break*

## **ACTING AS AGENT**

A WI is acting as agent where a member makes a payment to the WI that she intends to be passed on to the federation or

When the WI acts as agent the funds are not included within the WIs total receipts and payments in the financial statement

The receipts and payments do go through the WI's bank account and are still recorded in the account book under the appropriate

There are three types of receipt /payment that this applies to.

1. The share of the membership subscription that is to be passed on to the federation and the NFWI (i.e. the fee)
2. Payment for bookings by individual members on federation events where members book and pay as individuals
3. Payments for the NFWI or federation raffle tickets that are collected and passed to the raffle operator.

Please note that a WI is not acting as agent in the following situations:

- The WI organises an event or visit for a group of members and charges members a fee. In this case the WI is acting as agent. If you are not sure then you should assume the WI is not acting as agent.
- The WI is paying for members to attend a federation event from WI funds. (Include under activities & events).
- The WI orders and purchases diaries, calendars and other items from the federation and sells to members, w
- The WI raises funds and donates them to another charity. (Include under WI fundraising.)

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ed by the trustees to have the requisite ability and practical experience to carry out a competent examination of the account

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y are not a federation IFE, you should also provide a copy of the WI's constitution.

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Committee is exercising discretion in organising the event and the booking is made in the name of the WI. (Include under a

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