

The Multiple Sclerosis Society of Ireland

Reports and Consolidated
Financial Statements
for the year ended
31 December 2009

THE MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS SOCIETY OF IRELAND
REPORTS AND CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2009

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THE MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS SOCIETY OF IRELAND

DIRECTORS AND OTHER INFORMATION

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Allen O'Connor (Chairman)
Brian Farrell (Deputy Chairman)
Brian Barrett
Margaret Burke
Joe Cahill
Dr Gemma Donnelly-Cox
Kevin Doyle
Maureen Feeney
Professor Michael Hutchinson
Lorna Mitchell
Gerry Murphy
Sean Murphy
Patrick Power
Manfred Huschka (appointed 27 September 2009)
Bernard Cunningham (appointed 27 September 2009)
Patrick Stronge (appointed 27 September 2009)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE & COMPANY SECRETARY

Anne Winslow

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS

Paul Hogan
William Lonergan
Allen O'Connor

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Martin Nolan (Chairman)
Brian Farrell
Lorna Mitchell
Sean Murphy
Allen O'Connor
Patrick Power
Patrick Stronge
Memory Chipere (in attendance)
Anne Winslow (in attendance)
Stephen O'Kelly (in attendance)

RESEARCH COMMITTEE

Professor Michael Farrell (Chairman)
Alexis Donnelly
Professor Conleth Feighery
Dr. Stanley Hawkins
Professor Michael Hutchinson
Mary Kirk-Allen
Mary Van Lieshout
Dr. Ray Murphy
Dr. Brian Sweeney

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DIRECTORS AND OTHER INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

AUDITORS	Deloitte & Touche Chartered Accountants Deloitte & Touche House Earlsfort Terrace Dublin 2
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PRINCIPAL BANKERS	Bank of Ireland College Green Dublin 2
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SOLICITORS	Joynt & Crawford 8 Anglesea Street Dublin 2
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REGISTERED OFFICE	80 Northumberland Road Dublin 4
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CHARITY NUMBER	CHY 5365
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DATE OF INCORPORATION	8 th October 1999
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YEAR THE SOCIETY WAS FOUNDED	1961
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THE MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS SOCIETY OF IRELAND

DIRECTORS' REPORT

The Directors present their annual report and the audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2009.

In this report the Directors of MS Ireland present its activities, governance, achievements and finances for the year ended 31 December 2009.

THE MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS SOCIETY OF IRELAND MISSION AND OBJECTIVES

Mission Statement

"to enable and empower those affected by MS to live the life of their choice to their fullest potential".

- To facilitate People with MS (hereinafter referred to as "PwMS") to control their lives and environment, to live with dignity and participate in the community;
- To provide support for the families and carers of PwMS;
- To co-operate with the medical, scientific, social and caring professions to promote scientific research into the causes of, cure for and management of MS, and the alleviation of medical and social symptoms;
- To exchange and disseminate information relating to MS;
- To provide an identifiable focal point by developing an efficient, effective and caring organisation to serve the needs of People affected by MS (hereinafter referred to as "PaMS").

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Board

The Society is directed by a voluntary Board which is made up of 17 people with varied backgrounds, some with MS. Its function is to ensure good governance and financial control, formulate effective policies and oversee their implementation.

The Branches, Council and Committees

The Council is the consultative body that represents the views of the 41 Branches around the country. The Council provides a direct link between members, Branches and the Board. The voluntary branches fundraise for and provide local services and programmes. Various committees are appointed by the Board to aid in the internal workings of the Society. A Research Committee is in place, specifically to allocate funding to various research projects relating to MS.

Governance of MS Ireland is conducted in accordance with the Memorandum and Articles adopted in November 1998 and amended up to and including 18th June 2005.

Management

The Chief Executive, to whom day to day management of the charity is delegated, leads a team of 100 individual staff employed in the National Office and in 10 regional offices, plus 44 Community Employment staff employed with the support of FAS.

National Office is the base for the overall administrative and support services of the Society, including Finance, IT, HR, Communications and HelpLine. Regional offices provide services to PaMS and support to the network of branches throughout the country. Service development and operations currently sit within the remit of the Chief Executive & Services Manager.

The Board of MS Ireland met on 6 occasions during the year. Seven Sub Committees assisted with the work of the Board during 2009.

REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES

The principal activities of the Group in 2009 included:

- The provision of support, community rehabilitation, health promotion, coping strategies and well being services to PwMS and their families on a regional basis through a development programme (community development work) and individual and family support work (casework and counselling).
- The provision of information and advice, individually and in groups to PwMS & health professionals through regional outlets, website and the MS HelpLine Telephone 1850 233 233.
- The provision of respite care, MS Nurse specialism and therapy services in the 12 bed MS Care Centre.
- The provision of welfare and financial assistance services nationally and through branches.
- Branch services including support groups, social activities, therapies and welfare supported by voluntary fundraising locally.
- Issues/concerns affecting PwMS and their carers individually and collectively were presented on an on-going basis in submissions to Government/State agencies and in public awareness campaigns.
- The results of Getting the Balance Right research were launched at our National Conference in Galway by Minister O'Cuiv. We continued the theme of rehabilitation at the conference in Galway with a range of international speakers from Europe and the USA. Over 400 people attended the conference. It featured numerous workshops and therapies, rehabilitative devices, an adaption fair and a gala dinner where the MS National Awards were presented.
- The Pringle lecture as part of World MS Day was delivered in Cork by Alastair Coles. He spoke about his research into Alemtuzumab which is a potential new MS drug.
- MSI actively participated in European and international MS fora.
- MSI participated at a national level on the Board of Disability Federation of Ireland and Neurological Alliance of Ireland.
- A range of fundraising activities.
- The Care Centre was accredited by Excellence Ireland Quality Association (EIQA) and furthermore won the European Foundation for Quality Management (EFQM) Committed to Excellence category in the National Quality and Excellence Awards for 2009.

A more detailed review of the Group's activities is included in the 2009 Annual Report.

MAJOR RISKS FACING THE GROUP

The Board are responsible for ensuring that the major risks facing the Company are appropriately managed. This is a continuous process reflecting the changing priorities and circumstances facing the Company. During the year the major risks facing the Company as defined by the Board and the management team have been reviewed and their potential impact assessed. In particular, cost cutting measures were applied across all areas of expenditure to reflect the decrease in statutory funding and the uncertainty of fundraising income. There remains uncertainty with regard to all income. Strategies and controls aimed at managing each risk appropriately have been agreed, many of which are already in place and effective; others are being developed further especially with regard to uncertainty around income. In many cases the control processes are subject to continuous improvement. Given the objectives of the Company, and the nature of the activities by which it furthers them, some of the risks have to be accepted: it is not possible for the company to eliminate them. However, appropriate steps have been taken to mitigate them where possible.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

In 2010 we will continue to work towards the achievement of our goals and objectives. The Board of MSI is committed to building an MS Society which is effective, outcome-driven and accountable.

The Strategic Plan for 2009-2012 is being implemented by the Board and we are working towards the achievement and objectives outlined in the Plan. The Plan follows a sequence from the general or fundamental objectives of the organisation to the specific (the programmes and activities to be implemented over the five years), covering the organisation's mission statement, vision, goals and strategies along the way. Department/regional/individual plans have been prepared for the different divisions of the organisation, staff and volunteers.

The key goals are as follows:

- To provide appropriate quality nationwide services based on individual and family needs
- To effect change in policy and services with respect to people affected by MS and to ensure equitable access to services and programmes throughout Ireland
- To support, promote and advocate for all aspects of research beneficial to people living with MS and to disseminate research findings
- To enable MS Ireland to be at the forefront of good organisational practice and governance and to maximise its capacity to deliver on organisational objectives and value to its stakeholders.
- To increase levels of funding to deliver on the organisation's objectives.

In 2010 we will commence:

- Reviewing, updating and development of fundraising practices/measures
- Development of suite of services
- Regional worker training in casework
- Continue to develop our assessment programme at the Care Centre
- Continue to develop and enhance the role of the MS specialist nurses at the Care Centre
- Continue to develop our role of support to health and personal social service professionals
- Implementation of communications and the plan
- Development of MS Ireland's proactive position in the neurological pathway.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The consolidated results for the year are set out on page 13.

Incoming resources

Income totalled €9m which represents a decrease of €804,000 (8%).

Resources expended

During the year €9.2m was spent on the provision of services to PaMS, reflecting a decrease of 11%. This decrease in expenditure directly impacted on the quality of life for PwMS and their carers.

Financial position at the end of the year

The fund balances totalled €7.4m at the end of the year, which is a decrease of 2.2%. These funds include the Tesco Charity of the Year for 2006 contribution which will underpin continued physiotherapy service for PaMS over the next year.

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DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)

DIRECTORS

The present membership of the Board is set out on page 2 under the heading Board of Directors. Art Cosgrove resigned on 18 July 2009. Deirdre Dolly, Mary Keane and Louise Wardell retired on 27 September 2009. Bernard Cunningham, Manfred Huschka and Patrick Stronge were appointed to the Board on 27 September 2009.

SUBSIDIARY UNDERTAKINGS

The information required by the Companies Act, 1963 in relation to subsidiary undertakings is presented in Note 5 to the financial statements.

BOOKS OF ACCOUNT

To ensure that proper books and accounting records are kept in accordance with Section 202 of the Companies Act, 1990, the directors have employed appropriately qualified accounting personnel and have maintained appropriate computerised accounting systems. The books of account are located at 80 Northumberland Road, Dublin 4.

AUDITORS

The auditors, Deloitte & Touche, Chartered Accountants, continue in office in accordance with Section 160 (2) of the Companies Act 1963.

Signed on behalf of the Board:

Director

Director

Date

THE MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS SOCIETY OF IRELAND

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

Irish company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the group and of the financial activities of the group for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies for the Group and the Parent Company Financial Statements and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper books of account which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements are prepared in accordance with accounting standards generally accepted in Ireland and comply with Irish statute comprising the Companies Acts, 1963 to 2009. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS SOCIETY OF IRELAND

We have audited the financial statements of The Multiple Sclerosis Society of Ireland for the year ended 31 December 2009 which comprise the Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities, the Consolidated Balance Sheet, the Company Balance Sheet, the Consolidated Cashflow Statement, the Statement of Accounting Policies and the related notes 1 to 19. These financial statements have been prepared under the accounting policies set out in the Statement of Accounting Policies.

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 193 of the Companies Act, 1990. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors are responsible for preparing the financial statements, as set out in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities in accordance with applicable law and accounting standards issued by the Accounting Standards Board and published by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Ireland (Generally Accepted Accounting Practice in Ireland).

Our responsibility, as independent auditor, is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland).

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view, in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice in Ireland, and are properly prepared in accordance with Irish statute comprising the Companies Acts, 1963 to 2009. We also report to you whether in our opinion: proper books of account have been kept by the company; proper returns adequate for our audit have been received from branches of the company not visited by us; and whether the information given in the Directors' Report is consistent with the financial statements. In addition, we state whether we have obtained all the information and explanations necessary for the purpose of our audit and whether the company's balance sheet and statement of financial activities are in agreement with the books of account and returns.

We also report to you if, in our opinion, any information specified by law regarding directors' remuneration and directors' transactions is not disclosed and, where practicable, include such information in our report.

We read the Directors' Report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatement within it. Our responsibilities do not extend to other information.

Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS SOCIETY OF IRELAND

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements:

- (i) give a true and fair view, in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice in Ireland, of the state of affairs of the company and the group as at 31 December 2009 and of the net outgoing resources of the Group for the year then ended; and
- (ii) have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Acts, 1963 to 2009.

We have obtained all the information and explanations we considered necessary for the purpose of our audit. In our opinion proper books of account have been kept by the company and proper returns adequate for our audit have been received from branches of the company not visited by us. The company's balance sheet is in agreement with the books of account.

In our opinion the information given in the Directors' Report is consistent with the financial statements.

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors
Dublin

Date

THE MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS SOCIETY OF IRELAND

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF PREPARATION

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with accounting standards generally accepted in Ireland and Irish statute comprising the Companies Acts 1963 to 2009 and under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of current asset investments. The accruals basis of accounting has been adopted, with the exception of member subscriptions, which are taken to revenue in the period in which they are received. The financial statements have also been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities (Revised 2005)".

BASIS OF CONSOLIDATION

The consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of The Multiple Sclerosis Society of Ireland (the parent undertaking) and its subsidiary undertakings, The Multiple Sclerosis C.E.P. Company Limited and MS Ireland Housing Association Limited. Transactions between the national office, care centre (including The Multiple Sclerosis C.E.P. Company Limited and MS Ireland Housing Association Limited) and branches have been eliminated.

INCOMING RESOURCES

All income is accounted for when the Society has entitlement, there is certainty of receipt and the amount is measurable.

Grants from statutory bodies are credited to income in the year to which they relate.

Member subscriptions are taken to revenue in the period in which they are received.

Gifts of assets are included in income at a reasonable estimate of their value, at the date received. These assets are treated as either tangible fixed assets or current assets depending on whether the gift is to be disposed of or retained for use by the Group. Gifts for fundraising purposes are accounted for when realised.

DEFERRED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

Funds received and expenditure incurred by the Group for fundraising events to be held in the future are treated as deferred income and expenditure.

STOCKS

Stocks, which comprise fundraising materials, are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

FIXED ASSETS AND DEPRECIATION

Fixed assets are recorded at cost less accumulated depreciation.

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of the assets over their estimated useful lives. The rates and methods of depreciation are as follows:-

Freehold Premises	2% straight line
Office Equipment	10% reducing balance
Computer Equipment	33% straight line
Furniture and Fittings	20% straight line
Branch Members' Equipment	10% reducing balance
Motor Vehicles/Mobile Homes	20% reducing balance

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STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

GRANTS

Where grants are related to performance and specific deliverables, they are accounted for as the charity earns the right to consideration by its performance. Where the grant is received in advance, its recognition is deferred and included in creditors. Where entitlement occurs before income is received, it is accrued in debtors. Capital grants are accounted for as income as soon as they are receivable.

LEASED ASSETS

All leases entered into by the Group are operating leases. Operating lease costs are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

PENSION COSTS

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Retirement benefits to employees of the Group are funded by contributions from the Group and the employees. Payments are made to pension trusts which are financially separate from the Group. These payments, which are made in accordance with periodic calculations by consulting actuaries, are charged in the Statement of Financial Activities of the period in which they become payable.

INVESTMENTS

Listed investments held as current assets are stated at market value. Gains and losses on the revaluation of investments are included in the Statement of Financial Activities.

RESEARCH

Expenditure on research projects is charged to the Statement of Financial Activities as incurred.

FUND ACCOUNTING

The following are the categories of funds maintained:

Restricted funds:

Restricted funds represent grants, donations and legacies which can only be used for the particular purposes specified by the donors. Such purposes are within the overall objectives of the Group.

Unrestricted funds:

General funds represent amounts which are expendable at the discretion of the National Executive Committee, in furtherance of the objectives of the Group.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2009

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds 2009 €	Restricted Funds 2009 €	Total Funds 2009 €	Total Funds 2008 €
INCOMING RESOURCES	1				
Incoming resources from generated funds:					
Voluntary Income					
- Donations and fundraising		4,206,722	-	4,206,722	4,581,490
- Research			3,195	3,195	18,964
- Subscriptions		2,551	-	2,551	5,540
Activities for generating funds					
- Trading		91,128	-	91,128	81,466
Incoming resources from charitable activities					
- Fees received		389,838	-	389,838	418,128
- Grants and other service contract income		-	3,469,981	3,469,981	3,626,789
- Government schemes		-	698,983	698,983	906,135
- Other income		156,413	-	156,413	184,106
Total incoming resources		4,846,652	4,172,159	9,018,811	9,822,618
RESOURCES EXPENDED	1				
Costs of generating funds					
Costs of generating voluntary income					
- Fundraising		1,182,147	-	1,182,147	1,517,594
Charitable activities					
- Community services		12,934	2,979,801	2,992,735	3,161,977
- Respite care services		802,194	843,381	1,645,575	1,779,442
- Research		64,501	30,846	95,347	15,340
- Government schemes		-	707,426	707,426	864,821
- Local MS services		2,432,488	5,030	2,437,518	2,854,586
Other resources expended					
- Trading		61,470	-	61,470	62,770
Governance costs		62,177	-	62,177	70,163
Total resources expended		4,617,911	4,566,484	9,184,395	10,326,693
Net outgoing resources	2	228,741	(394,325)	(165,584)	(504,075)
Total funds brought forward at 1 January 2009		5,598,797	2,014,644	7,613,441	8,117,516
Total funds carried forward at 31 December 2009		5,827,538	1,620,319	7,447,857	7,613,441

All gains and losses arose from continuing activities and are included in the Statement of Financial Activities for the current and prior year.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on and signed on its behalf by:

Director

Director

THE MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS SOCIETY OF IRELAND

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2009

	Notes	2009 €	2008 €
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible fixed assets	4	7,256,592	7,430,716
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks		6,297	12,688
Debtors	6	322,874	739,930
Investments	7	21,138	70,664
Cash at bank and in hand	8	3,934,358	3,571,996
		4,284,667	4,395,278
CREDITORS: (Amounts falling due within one year)	9	(1,251,218)	(1,438,018)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		3,033,449	2,957,260
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		10,290,041	10,387,976
CREDITORS: (Amounts falling due after more than one year)	10	(2,842,184)	(2,774,535)
NET ASSETS		7,447,857	7,613,441
FUNDED BY:			
Restricted funds	11	1,620,319	2,014,644
Unrestricted funds	11	5,827,538	5,598,797
FUNDS		7,447,857	7,613,441

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on and signed on its behalf by:

Director

Director

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COMPANY BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2009

	<i>Notes</i>	2009 €	2008 €
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible fixed assets	4	7,256,592	7,430,716
Investment in subsidiary undertaking	5	1	1
		<u>7,256,593</u>	<u>7,430,717</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks		6,297	12,688
Debtors	6	328,583	731,628
Investments	7	21,138	70,664
Cash at bank and in hand	8	3,891,887	3,529,150
		<u>4,247,905</u>	<u>4,344,130</u>
CREDITORS: (Amounts falling due within one year)	9	(1,214,457)	(1,386,871)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>3,033,448</u>	<u>2,957,259</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>10,290,041</u>	<u>10,387,976</u>
CREDITORS: (Amounts falling due after more than one year)	10	(2,842,184)	(2,774,535)
NET ASSETS		<u><u>7,447,857</u></u>	<u><u>7,613,441</u></u>
FUNDED BY:			
Restricted funds	11	1,620,319	2,014,644
Unrestricted funds	11	5,827,538	5,598,797
FUNDS		<u><u>7,447,857</u></u>	<u><u>7,613,441</u></u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on and signed on its behalf by:

Director

Director

THE MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS SOCIETY OF IRELAND

CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2009

	<i>Notes</i>	2009 €	2008 €
NET CASH INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	<i>12(i)</i>	449,386	89,399
RETURNS ON INVESTMENTS AND SERVICING OF FINANCE			
Interest received		14,038	38,356
Interest paid		(153,271)	(168,070)
		<u>(139,233)</u>	<u>(129,714)</u>
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE AND FINANCIAL INVESTMENT			
Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets		(84,558)	(62,771)
Proceeds on disposal of tangible fixed assets		1,720	10,000
NET CASH INFLOW/(OUTFLOW) BEFORE MANAGEMENT OF LIQUID RESOURCES AND FINANCING		<u>227,315</u>	<u>(93,086)</u>
MANAGEMENT OF LIQUID RESOURCES			
Proceeds from sale of investments		70,156	-
FINANCING			
Movement in bank term loan	<i>10</i>	64,891	632,830
INCREASE IN CASH	<i>12(iii)</i>	<u><u>362,362</u></u>	<u><u>539,744</u></u>

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NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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1. INCOMING RESOURCES/RESOURCES EXPENDED	2009	2008
	€	€
INCOMING RESOURCES		
National office/Care Centre	7,607,263	8,036,578
Branches	1,408,353	1,767,076
National office - Research	3,195	18,964
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	9,018,811	9,822,618
RESOURCES EXPENDED		
National office/Care Centre	7,598,386	8,576,896
Branches	1,490,662	1,734,457
National office - Research	95,347	15,340
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED	9,184,395	10,326,693
NET OUTGOING RESOURCES	(165,584)	(504,075)
2. NET OUTGOING RESOURCES	2009	2008
	€	€
The net outgoing resources for the year are stated after charging:		
Depreciation and amortisation	256,962	261,137
Interest payable and similar charges	153,271	168,070
Auditor's remuneration - group	28,552	28,552
- branches	22,867	28,861
Directors' remuneration	-	-
Operating lease rentals	100,135	98,661
Loss on disposal of tangible fixed assets	-	22,854
and after crediting:		
Interest received	(14,038)	(38,356)

Board member's travel and subsistence expenses in attending meetings in 2009 were €11,392 (2008: €15,184). No emoluments are paid to Board members.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
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3. EMPLOYEES AND REMUNERATION

The average number of persons employed by the Group in the financial year was 99 (2008:102), analysed into the following categories:

	2009 No.	2008 No.
Regional services	34	36
Administration	19	20
Fundraising activities	9	9
Care	31	30
Sessional	2	3
Services	4	4
	<u>99</u>	<u>102</u>

The numbers shown above are exclusive of 44 (2008: 64) persons employed under the FÁS Community Employment Scheme and persons contracted on a consultancy basis to provide counselling and fundraising services.

	2009 €	2008 €
Total staff costs were comprised of the following:		
Wages and Salaries	3,308,861	3,456,894
Sessional Staff fees	59,022	76,609
Employer social welfare costs	328,815	343,971
Employer pension contributions	138,315	128,387
	<u>3,835,013</u>	<u>4,005,861</u>

The Group also receives significant support from voluntary workers.

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4. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

GROUP AND COMPANY

	Freehold Premises €	Office Equipment €	Computer Equipment €	Furniture & Fittings €	Motor Vehicles €	Branch Equipment Motor Vehicles & Mobile Homes €	Total €
Cost:							
At 1 January 2009	8,046,543	219,114	353,496	320,295	32,907	251,117	9,223,472
Additions	-	6,498	7,522	45,290	-	25,248	84,558
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-	(6,333)	(6,333)
At 31 December 2009	8,046,543	225,612	361,018	365,585	32,907	270,032	9,301,697
Depreciation:							
At 1 January 2009	1,005,307	86,714	329,970	214,301	28,802	127,662	1,792,756
Charge for the year	160,950	13,650	17,365	45,631	822	18,544	256,962
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-	(4,613)	(4,613)
At 31 December 2009	1,166,257	100,364	347,335	259,932	29,624	141,593	2,045,105
Net Book Value:							
At 31 December 2009	6,880,286	125,248	13,683	105,653	3,283	128,439	7,256,592
At 31 December 2008	7,041,236	132,400	23,526	105,994	4,105	123,455	7,430,716

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5. INVESTMENT IN SUBSIDIARY UNDERTAKING	2009	2008
	€	€
COMPANY		
Cost:		
Balance at beginning and end of year	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

The Multiple Sclerosis Society of Ireland through its wholly owned subsidiary undertaking, The Multiple Sclerosis C.E.P. Company Limited, operates a Community Employment Scheme at 65 Bushy Park Road, Rathgar, Dublin 6. The registered office of the subsidiary is 80 Northumberland Road, Dublin 4.

MS Ireland Housing Association Limited is also a subsidiary of the Multiple Sclerosis Society of Ireland. MS Ireland Housing Association Limited is a company limited by guarantee and does not have a share capital. It did not trade during the year. The registered office of the company is 80 Northumberland Road, Dublin 4.

6. DEBTORS	2009	2008
	€	€
GROUP		
Amounts due from fundraising activities	121,869	100,937
Prepayments	113,197	167,729
Pobal grant	-	276,921
HSE grants	8,645	54,550
Residents fees	20,537	57,849
Deferred fundraising expenditure	8,987	18,178
Community Employment Scheme	49,639	63,766
	<u>322,874</u>	<u>739,930</u>
COMPANY		
Amounts due from fundraising activities	121,869	100,937
Prepayments	113,197	167,729
Pobal grant	-	276,921
HSE grants	8,645	54,550
Residents fees	20,537	57,849
Deferred fundraising expenditure	8,987	18,178
Community Employment Scheme	31,861	31,484
Amount due from subsidiary	23,487	23,980
	<u>328,583</u>	<u>731,628</u>

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7. INVESTMENTS	Group and Company €	
Carrying value at 1 January 2009		70,664
Additions (bequest)		24,077
Disposals (at carrying value)		(70,156)
Loss on revaluation		(3,447)
Carrying value at 31 December 2009		21,138
8. CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND	2009	2008
	€	€
GROUP		
National and Regional services	2,033,072	1,541,114
CEP Company	42,471	42,846
Branches	1,858,815	1,988,036
	3,934,358	3,571,996
COMPANY		
National and Regional services	2,033,072	1,541,114
Branches	1,858,815	1,988,036
	3,891,887	3,529,150
9. CREDITORS: (Amounts falling due within one year)	2009	2008
	€	€
GROUP		
Trade creditors and accruals	643,691	842,503
Deferred income	117,639	98,241
Bank term loan (note 10)	300,000	302,758
PAYE/PRSI	85,345	94,529
Community Employment Scheme	104,543	99,987
	1,251,218	1,438,018
COMPANY		
Trade creditors and accruals	643,691	842,503
Deferred income	117,639	98,241
Bank term loan (note 10)	300,000	302,758
PAYE/PRSI	85,345	94,529
Community Employment Scheme	67,782	48,840
	1,214,457	1,386,871

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10. CREDITORS: (Amounts falling due after more than one year)	2009	2008
	€	€
GROUP AND COMPANY		
Bank term loan	2,842,184	2,774,535

The loan is repayable by monthly instalments of approximately €25,000. As at 31 December 2009 the balance remaining on the loan was €3,142,184 of which an amount of €2,289,000 was fixed at an interest rate of 5.4%.

The maturity analysis of the bank loan at 31 December is as set out below:

	2009	2008
	€	€
Within one year	300,000	302,758
Within two to five years	1,200,000	1,200,000
After more than five years	1,642,184	1,574,535
	3,142,184	3,077,293

The borrowings are secured against the Society's premises at 65 Bushy Park Road, Rathgar, Dublin 6.

There is an undrawn facility of €230,000 (2008: €430,000) at year end.

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11. FUNDS

GROUP	Restricted Funds €	Unrestricted Funds €	Total Funds €
Funds at beginning of year	2,014,644	5,598,797	7,613,441
Movement during year	(394,325)	228,741	(165,584)
Funds at end of year	1,620,319	5,827,538	7,447,857

The movement in restricted funds in the year was as follows:

Restricted fund	Fund balance at beginning of year €	Movements during year €	Fund balance at end of year €
Capital grants	1,091,743	(29,360)	1,062,383
Other	863,212	(332,645)	530,567
J.P. MacManus	32,038	(4,669)	27,369
Research	27,651	(27,651)	-
Total	2,014,644	(394,325)	1,620,319

The restricted funds are represented by fixed assets €1,062,383 (2008: €1,091,743) and net current assets of €557,936 (2008: €922,901).

The J.P. MacManus Fund is restricted to expenditure in the Limerick region, and the research fund is restricted to expenditure on research projects. The Other restricted fund includes funds received in respect of Tesco Charity of the Year for 2006.

COMPANY

	Restricted Funds €	Unrestricted Funds €	Total Funds €
Funds at beginning of year	2,014,644	5,598,797	7,613,441
Movement during year	(394,325)	228,741	(165,584)
Funds at end of year	1,620,319	5,827,538	7,447,857

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12. NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

(i) RECONCILIATION OF CHANGES IN RESOURCES TO NET
CASH INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2009 €	2008 €
Net outgoing resources	(165,584)	(504,075)
Interest received	(14,038)	(38,356)
Interest payable	153,271	168,070
Depreciation and amortisation	256,962	261,137
Decrease in stocks	6,391	7,557
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	417,056	(109,465)
(Decrease)/increase in creditors	(184,042)	281,677
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	-	22,854
Non-cash donation received (investments)	(24,077)	-
Loss on revaluation of investments	3,447	-
Net cash inflow from operating activities	<u>449,386</u>	<u>89,399</u>

(ii) RECONCILIATION OF NET CASH FLOW
TO MOVEMENT IN NET CASH

	2009 €	2008 €
Increase in cash in year	362,362	539,744
Cash flow from debt financing	(64,891)	(632,830)
Change in net cash	<u>297,471</u>	<u>(93,086)</u>
Net cash at beginning of year	494,703	587,789
Net cash at end of year	<u>792,174</u>	<u>494,703</u>

(iii) ANALYSIS OF NET CASH

	2008 €	Cash Flow	2009 €
Cash at bank and in hand	3,571,996	362,362	3,934,358
Debt due within one year	(302,758)	2,758	(300,000)
Debt due after one year	(2,774,535)	(67,649)	(2,842,184)
	<u>494,703</u>	<u>297,471</u>	<u>792,174</u>

13. TAXATION

The company has been granted charitable status, and accordingly no charges to corporation tax arise by virtue of Section 208 of the Taxes Consolidation Act, 1997.

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14. GIFTS IN KIND

The Group receives financial support through the provision of services at reduced costs, from its advertisers, architects, printers, solicitors and other suppliers. The value of this support was approximately €50,000 in 2009 (2008: €130,000).

15. PENSIONS

The Group operates a defined contribution insured pension scheme for employees. The employer pension cost for the year was €138,315 (2008: €128,387) and the balance outstanding at the end of the year was €22,204 (2008: €473).

16. FUNDRAISING

The Group has a fundraising department and engages consultants for certain projects. Consultants are paid on the basis of achievement. Commissions in general are not paid for any fundraising activities.

17. LEASE COMMITMENTS

Operating Leases:

Premises

Annual lease commitments at 31 December 2009 amount to €100,310 (2008: €104,529) and relate to leases which expire.

	2009 €	2008 €
- Within one year	59,980	14,400
- Within two to five years	31,580	44,829
- After more than five years	8,750	45,300
	<u>100,310</u>	<u>104,529</u>

18. OTHER COMMITMENTS

In certain circumstances grants received could become repayable by the Group.

There were no significant capital commitments contracted for by the company or authorised by the directors but not yet contracted for at 31 December 2009 or 31 December 2008 other than the approval for the purchase of a new premises in Killarney which to date has not yet been finalised.

19. LEGAL STATUS

By virtue of Section 24 of the Companies Act 1963 the company is exempt from including the word "Limited" in its name. The company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital. The amount of the guarantee is limited to €1.27 per member.

As permitted by Section 3(2) of the Companies (Amendment) Act, 1986 the Statement of Financial Activities of the parent undertaking is not presented as part of these financial statements. The net outgoing resources dealt within the financial statements of the Company were €165,584 (2008: €504,075).