

MARGARET BROWN TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 1002967

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1991-05-17

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: GENERAL CHARITABLE PURPOSES

Activities: To apply capital and income for charitable purposes as the Trustees see fit.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations
- **What:** The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives
- **Who:** People With Disabilities

Geography

- Cambridgeshire
- Leicestershire
- Lincolnshire
- Nottinghamshire
- Rutland

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-05	£66,101	£79,639	-	-
2024-04-05	£58,145	£43,851	-	-
2023-04-05	£59,875	£44,405	-	-
2022-04-05	£51,343	£82,856	-	-
2021-04-05	£45,014	£92,364	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
CHRISTOPHER VERNON ROBERT SKELTON	Chair	
Michelle Rebecca Bettine Wright		2021-03-10
NICHOLAS EDWARD WADE		

MARGARET BROWN TRUST

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Accounts

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THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST
STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
5 APRIL 2025

THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025**

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THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

OFFICERS AND AGENTS

Trustees	C V R Skelton N E Wade Mrs M R B Wright
Bankers	HSBC Bank PLC 88 Westgate Grantham Lincolnshire NG31 6LF
Stockbrokers	Evelyn Partners 45 Gresham Street London EC2V 7BG
Solicitors	Roythornes Limited Enterprise Way Pinchbeck Spalding Lincolnshire PE11 3YR
Independent Examiner	Messrs. Moore Thompson Chartered Accountants Bank House Broad Street Spalding Lincolnshire PE11 1TB
Principal Address	3 Castlegate Grantham Lincolnshire NG31 6SF

THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025

The Trustees present their report and the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 5 April 2025. The Trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

Objectives and activities

The object of the Trust is to apply capital and income for charitable purposes as the Trustees see fit. Such purposes include:

1. The provision of guide dogs for the blind;
2. Cancer research;
3. The provision of kidney machines and allied equipment; and
4. The provision of specialist medical equipment for Huntly Hospital, Huntly.

Since the Trust makes individual significant donations, rather than funding long term projects, the Trustees consider that the return on investments is the only major risk to which the Charity is exposed. This risk is controlled by setting appropriate policies as referred to below.

Achievements and performance

Donations towards charitable causes in the local area during the year are shown in note 5.

During the year, the Trustees have considered applications for charitable donations and have approved projects which are in line with the Charity's objectives.

Donations made and agreed during the year amounted to £55,916 and comprised £18,000 donated to Magpas Air Ambulance for medical equipment, £16,291 donated to the Caythorpe & Ancaster Medical Equipment Trust for healthcare and other medical equipment and £21,625 to Sue Ryder for medical equipment at Thorpe Hall Hospice, Peterborough.

Subsequent to 5 April 2025, the Trustees have agreed donations amounting £45,122 for medical equipment.

The Trustees have considered the Charity Commissions' guidance on public benefit and the main activities are in line with this guidance.

THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025

Financial review including reserves policy

The Trustees aim to maintain the capital value of the Trust in real terms through capital growth from financial investments. Subject to retaining sufficient funds to cover administration costs, the Trustees aim to apply all the income received for charitable purposes.

The Charity is funded by investment income, primarily administered by Evelyn Partners. These investments are made to achieve a balance between capital growth and income with low risk. The Trustees have the authority to make any investments they consider appropriate.

Reserves at the year end, in the sum of £2,091,218 (2024 - £2,118,860) are considered by the Trustees to be adequate to service the activities of the Trust.

Structure, governance and management (including reference and administrative details)

The Margaret Brown Trust was constituted by the Will of Miss M.S. Brown, declaration of trust dated 23 April 1991, and is a Registered Charity, no. 1002967.

Principal address: 3 Castlegate, Grantham, Lincolnshire, NG31 6SF
Trustees: Mr C V R Skelton, Mr N E Wade and Mrs M R B Wright

The Trustees who served during the year are shown above. In the event of a Trustee ceasing to hold office, the remaining Trustees have the authority to appoint a replacement. The Trustees manage the affairs of the Trust and give consideration to making distributions, as appropriate. There have been no changes in the policies of the Charity during the year. The Trustees are not paid any remuneration or expenses.

Administration

The administration function is carried out by Duncan & Toplis Limited, 3 Castlegate, Grantham, Lincolnshire, NG31 6SF.

C V R Skelton
on behalf of the Board of Trustees

Date: 26 January 2026

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

Independent Examiner's report to the Trustees of The Margaret Brown Trust

I report to the Charity's Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 5 April 2025 which are set out on pages 5 to 9.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Charity's Trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent Examiner's statement

I have completed my examination.

I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- 1 Accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- 2 the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the accounts do not comply with applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have identified no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in the report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**M A East FCCA
Messrs. Moore Thompson
Chartered Accountants
Bank House
Broad Street
SPALDING
Lincolnshire
PE11 1TB**

Date: 30 January 2026

THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025

	Note	TOTAL FUNDS 2025		TOTAL FUNDS 2024	
		£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:					
Investment income	2		66,101		58,145
TOTAL			<u>66,101</u>		<u>58,145</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Raising funds	5		16,937		16,671
Charitable activities	5		62,702		27,180
TOTAL	5		<u>79,639</u>		<u>43,851</u>
Net (deficit) / income			(13,538)		14,294
Net (losses) / gains on investments			(14,104)		31,737
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS			(27,642)		46,031
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward			<u>2,118,860</u>		<u>2,072,829</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD			<u><u>2,091,218</u></u>		<u><u>2,118,860</u></u>

The notes on pages 7 to 9 form part of these financial statements

THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 5 APRIL 2025**

	Note	2025		2024	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Investments	6		1,892,844		1,906,358
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank and in hand:					
HSBC Bank plc account		174,936		176,175	
Evelyn Partners Dividend account		1,781		-	
Evelyn Partners Investment account		<u>24,081</u>		<u>40,875</u>	
			200,798		217,050
CURRENT LIABILITIES: amounts falling due within one year					
Creditors	7	<u>(2,424)</u>		<u>(4,548)</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			<u>198,374</u>		<u>212,502</u>
NET ASSETS			<u>2,091,218</u>		<u>2,118,860</u>
FUNDS:					
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS:					
CAPITAL FUND					
Opening balance		2,006,736		1,974,999	
Net movement in market value of shares sold in the year		338		(664)	
Net (losses) / gains on revaluation of investments to market value at year end (<i>note 6</i>)		<u>(14,442)</u>	1,992,632	<u>32,400</u>	2,006,736
INCOME FUND					
Opening balance		112,124		97,830	
Net (deficit) / income for the year		<u>(13,538)</u>	<u>98,586</u>	<u>14,294</u>	<u>112,124</u>
TOTAL FUNDS			<u>2,091,218</u>		<u>2,118,860</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 26 January 2026 and were signed on its behalf by:

C V R Skelton - Trustee

The notes on pages 7 to 9 form part of these financial statements

THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025

1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) General information

The Margaret Brown Trust is a charitable trust registered in England and Wales. The Charity's registered number and principal address can be found on the Charity Commission website.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

The financial statements are presented in pounds sterling (£) which is the functional currency of the Charity.

b) Basis of preparing the financial statements

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis.

c) Income recognition

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the Charity is legally entitled to the income after any performance conditions have been met, the amount can be measured reliably and it is probable that the income will be received.

d) Expenditure recognition

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Expenditure is recognised where there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payments to third parties, it is probable that the settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. It is categorised under the following headings:

- Raising funds includes investment management costs; and
- Charitable activities includes donations and support costs

Support costs are those costs incurred that assist the work of the charity and include governance and administrative costs.

e) Investments

Investments are recognised initially at cost, including transaction costs. Subsequently, they are measured at fair value with changes recognised in 'net gains / (losses) on investments' in the SoFA if the shares are publicly traded or their fair value can otherwise be measured reliably.

f) Debtors and creditors receivable/payable within one year

Debtors and creditors with no stated interest rate and receivable or payable within one year are recorded at transaction price. Any losses arising from impairments are recognised in expenditure.

THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025

1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

g) Funds

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

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the Charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund.

In the opinion of the Trustees, all of the Trust's assets are unrestricted and available for distribution. The 'Capital' and 'Income' funds are separated to assist the Trustees in considering distributions of the Trust's income and capital.

2 INVESTMENT INCOME

	2025	2024
	£	£
UK dividends	22,537	28,232
UK Unit trust dividends	8,487	5,019
Overseas dividends	16,002	10,751
UK interest	7,010	5,583
Non-UK interest	12,065	8,560
	<u>66,101</u>	<u>58,145</u>

3 EMPLOYEES

The charity has no employees and therefore no employee remuneration was paid in the year (2024 - £nil).

4 TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

The Trustees neither received nor waived any remuneration during the year ended 5 April 2025 (2024 - £nil)

The Trustees did not have any expenses reimbursed during the year ended 5 April 2025 (2024 - £nil)

5 EXPENDITURE

	2025	2024
	£	£
Raising funds - investment management stockbrokers fees	16,937	16,671
Donations - see schedule below	55,916	19,284
Governance costs:		
Accountancy and administration costs	5,820	6,960
Independent examiner's fees	966	936
	<u>79,639</u>	<u>43,851</u>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025**

	2025	2024
	£	£
Donations made to institutions:		
05-May-23 - St Barnabas Hospice Trust	-	11,232
06-Sep-23 - Ancaster & Caythorpe Medical Equipment Trust	-	8,052
27-Aug-24 - Magpas Air Ambulance	18,000	-
31-Mar-25 - Ancaster & Caythorpe Medical Equipment Trust	16,291	-
02-Apr-25 - Sue Ryder	21,625	-
	<u>55,916</u>	<u>19,284</u>

The Trustees consider that the grants made fulfil the objects of the Trust.

6 INVESTMENTS

	£	£
Valuation at 6 April 2024	1,906,358	1,829,746
Additions at cost	32,278	121,081
Disposals at cost/valuation at 6 April 2024	(31,350)	(76,869)
Revaluation	(14,442)	32,400
	<u>1,892,844</u>	<u>1,906,358</u>
Valuation at 5 April 2025	<u>1,892,844</u>	<u>1,906,358</u>

Included within the above are the following investments which represent more than 5% of the total value:

	£	£
Fil Inv Svcs UK Global Dividend W Inc NAV	95,084	-
3I Infrastructure	122,521	125,598
Finsbury Growth & Income Trust plc	132,900	129,600
Fundsmith LLP	121,070	129,512
Whitbread	-	112,345

7 CREDITORS

	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	<u>2,424</u>	<u>4,548</u>

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**THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST
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5 APRIL 2024**

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Donations towards charitable causes in the local area during the year are shown in note 5.

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Subsequent to 5 April 2024, a donation of £18,000 has been made to the Magpas Air Ambulance for medical equipment.

The Trustees have considered the Charity Commissions' guidance on public benefit and the main activities are in line with this guidance.

THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2024

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on behalf of the Board of Trustees

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**H J Bright BA. FCA.
Messrs. Moore Thompson
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Bank House
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Date: 31 January 2025

THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2024

	Note	TOTAL FUNDS 2024		TOTAL FUNDS 2023	
		£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:					
Investment income	2		58,145		59,875
TOTAL			<u>58,145</u>		<u>59,875</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Raising funds	5		16,671		16,940
Charitable activities	5		27,180		27,465
TOTAL	5		<u>43,851</u>		<u>44,405</u>
Net income			14,294		15,470
Net gains / (losses) on investments			31,737		(79,748)
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS			46,031		(64,278)
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward			<u>2,072,829</u>		<u>2,137,107</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD			<u><u>2,118,860</u></u>		<u><u>2,072,829</u></u>

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THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 5 APRIL 2024**

		2024		2023	
	Note	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Investments	6		1,906,358		1,829,746
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank and in hand:					
HSBC Bank plc account		176,175		142,410	
Evelyn Partners Dividend account		-		2,044	
Evelyn Partners Investment account		<u>40,875</u>		<u>102,265</u>	
			217,050		246,719
CURRENT LIABILITIES: amounts falling due within one year					
Creditors	7	<u>(4,548)</u>		<u>(3,636)</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			<u>212,502</u>		<u>243,083</u>
NET ASSETS			<u>2,118,860</u>		<u>2,072,829</u>
FUNDS:					
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS:					
CAPITAL FUND					
Opening balance		1,974,999		2,054,747	
Net movement in market value of shares sold in the year		(664)		(7,975)	
Net gains / (losses) on revaluation of investments to market value at year end (<i>note 6</i>)		<u>32,400</u>	2,006,736	<u>(71,773)</u>	1,974,999
INCOME FUND					
Opening balance		97,830		82,360	
Net income for the year		<u>14,294</u>	<u>112,124</u>	<u>15,470</u>	<u>97,830</u>
TOTAL FUNDS			<u>2,118,860</u>		<u>2,072,829</u>

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C V R Skelton - Trustee

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2024

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In the opinion of the Trustees, all of the Trust's assets are unrestricted and available for distribution. The 'Capital' and 'Income' funds are separated to assist the Trustees in considering distributions of the Trust's income and capital.

2 INVESTMENT INCOME

	2024	2023
	£	£
UK dividends	28,232	36,103
UK Unit trust dividends	5,019	5,612
Overseas dividends	10,751	12,157
UK interest	5,583	809
Non-UK interest	8,560	5,194
	<u>58,145</u>	<u>59,875</u>

3 EMPLOYEES

The charity has no employees and therefore no employee remuneration was paid in the year (2023 - £nil).

4 TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

The Trustees neither received nor waived any remuneration during the year ended 5 April 2024 (2023 - £nil)

The Trustees did not have any expenses reimbursed during the year ended 5 April 2024 (2023 - £nil)

5 EXPENDITURE

	2024	2023
	£	£
Raising funds - investment management stockbrokers fees	16,671	16,940
Donations - see schedule below	19,284	19,707
Governance costs:		
Accountancy and administration costs	6,960	6,804
Independent examiner's fees	936	954
	<u>43,851</u>	<u>44,405</u>

THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2024**

		2024	2023
		£	£
Donations made to institutions:			
May-22	- St John's Medical Centre	-	537
Jun-22	- Magpas Air Ambulance	-	16,300
Jan-23	- Burton Le Coggles PC	-	1,070
May-23	- St Barnabas Hospice Trust	11,232	-
Sep-23	- Ancaster & Caythorpe Medical Equipment Trust	8,052	-
		<u>19,284</u>	<u>17,907</u>
Donations made to individuals:			
June 2022	- Mr J Fry, re a defibrillator for Brick Kiln Place, Grantham	-	1,800
		<u>19,284</u>	<u>19,707</u>

The Trustees consider that the grants made fulfil the objects of the Trust.

6 INVESTMENTS

	£	£
Valuation at 6 April 2023	1,829,746	1,991,468
Additions at cost	121,081	13,234
Disposals at cost/valuation at 6 April 2023	(76,869)	(103,183)
Revaluation	32,400	(71,773)
Valuation at 5 April 2024	<u>1,906,358</u>	<u>1,829,746</u>

Included within the above are the following investments which represent more than 5% of the total value:

	£	£
3I Infrastructure	125,598	120,405
Finsbury Growth & Income Trust plc	129,600	135,000
Fundsmith LLP	129,512	169,140
Whitbread	112,345	101,259

7 CREDITORS

	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	<u>4,548</u>	<u>3,636</u>

MARGARET BROWN TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1002967

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THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST
STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
5 APRIL 2023

THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

OFFICERS AND AGENTS

Trustees	CVR Skelton NE Wade Mrs M RB Wright
Bankers	HSBC Bank PLC 88 Westgate Grantham Lincolnshire NG31 6LF
Stockbrokers	Evelyn Partners 45 Gresham Street London EC2V 7BG
Solicitors	Roythornes Limited Enterprise Way Pinchbeck Spalding Lincolnshire PE11 3YR
Independent Examiner	Messrs. Moore Thompson Chartered Accountants Bank House Broad Street Spalding Lincolnshire PE11 1TB
Principal Address	3 Castlegate Grantham Lincolnshire NG31 6SF

THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023

The Trustees present their report and the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 5 April 2023. The Trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

Objectives and activities

The object of the Trust is to apply capital and income for charitable purposes as the Trustees see fit. Such purposes include:

1. The provision of guide dogs for the blind;
2. Cancer research;
3. The provision of kidney machines and allied equipment; and
4. The provision of specialist medical equipment for Huntly Hospital, Huntly.

Since the Trust makes individual significant donations, rather than funding long term projects, the Trustees consider that the return on investments is the only major risk to which the Charity is exposed. This risk is controlled by setting appropriate policies as referred to below.

Achievements and performance

Donations towards charitable causes in the local area during the year are shown in note 5.

During the year, the Trustees have considered applications for charitable donations and have approved projects which are in line with the Charity's objectives.

Donations made and agreed during the year amounted to £19,707 and included £16,300 and £538 donated to Magpas Air Ambulance and the St John's Medical Centre in Grantham respectively, as funding for medical equipment.

Donations totalling £2,869 were also made in respect of the provision of defibrillators in the local area.

The Trustees have considered the Charity Commissions' guidance on public benefit and the main activities are in line with this guidance.

THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (continued)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023

Financial review including reserves policy

The Trustees aim to maintain the capital value of the Trust in real terms through capital growth from financial investments. Subject to retaining sufficient funds to cover administration costs, the Trustees aim to apply all the income received for charitable purposes.

The Charity is funded by investment income, primarily administered by Evelyn Partners. These investments are made to achieve a balance between capital growth and income with low risk. The Trustees have the authority to make any investments they consider appropriate.

Reserves at the year end, in the sum of £2,072,829 (2022 - £2,137,107) are considered by the Trustees to be adequate to service the activities of the Trust.

Structure, governance and management (including reference and administrative details)

The Margaret Brown Trust was constituted by the Will of Miss M.S. Brown, declaration of trust dated 23 April 1991, and is a Registered Charity, no. 1002967.

Principal address: 3 Castlegate, Grantham, Lincolnshire, NG31 6SF
Trustees: Mr CVR Skelton, Mr NE Wade and Mrs MRB Wright

The Trustees who served during the year are shown above. In the event of a Trustee ceasing to hold office, the remaining Trustees have the authority to appoint a replacement. The Trustees manage the affairs of the Trust and give consideration to making distributions, as appropriate. There have been no changes in the policies of the Charity during the year. The Trustees are not paid any remuneration or expenses.

Administration

The administration function is carried out by Duncan & Toplis Limited, 3 Castlegate, Grantham, Lincolnshire, NG31 6SF.

CVR Skelton
on behalf of the Board of Trustees

5 February 2024.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

Independent Examiner's report to the Trustees of The Margaret Brown Trust

I report to the Charity's Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 5 April 2023 which are set out on pages 5 to 9.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Charity's Trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent Examiner's statement

I have completed my examination.

I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- 1 Accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- 2 the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the accounts do not comply with applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have identified no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in the report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

HJ Bright BA, FCA
Messrs. Moore Thompson
Chartered Accountants
Bank House
Broad Street
SPALDING
Lincolnshire
PE11 1TB

5 February 2024

THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023**

		TOTAL FUNDS 2023		TOTAL FUNDS 2022	
	Note	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:					
Investment income	2		59,875		51,343
TOTAL			<u>59,875</u>		<u>51,343</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Raising funds	5		16,940		17,647
Charitable activities	5		27,465		65,209
TOTAL	5		<u>44,405</u>		<u>82,856</u>
Net income / (expenditure)			15,471		(31,512)
Net (losses) / gains on investments			(79,748)		53,950
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS			(64,278)		22,437
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward			<u>2,137,107</u>		<u>2,114,670</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD			<u>2,072,829</u>		<u>2,137,107</u>

The notes on pages 7 to 9 form part of these financial statements

THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 5 APRIL 2023**

	Note	2023		2022	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Investments	6		1,829,746		1,991,468
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank and in hand:					
HSBC Bank plc account		142,410		109,305	
Evelyn Partners Dividend account		2,044		2,270	
Evelyn Partners Investment account		102,265		37,231	
			<u>246,719</u>		<u>148,807</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES: amounts falling due within one year					
Creditors	7		<u>(3,636)</u>		<u>(3,168)</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS			<u>243,083</u>		<u>145,639</u>
NET ASSETS			<u><u>2,072,829</u></u>		<u><u>2,137,107</u></u>
FUNDS:					
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS:					
CAPITAL FUND					
Opening balance		2,054,747		2,000,797	
Net movement in market value of shares sold in the year		(7,975)		4,957	
Net gains on revaluation of investments to market value at year end (<i>note 6</i>)		<u>(71,773)</u>	1,974,999	<u>48,992</u>	2,054,747
INCOME FUND					
Opening balance		82,360		113,873	
Net income / (expenditure) for the year		<u>15,471</u>	<u>97,831</u>	<u>(31,512)</u>	<u>82,360</u>
TOTAL FUNDS			<u><u>2,072,829</u></u>		<u><u>2,137,107</u></u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 5 February 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:

C V R Skelton - Trustee

The notes on pages 7 to 9 form part of these financial statements

THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023

1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) General information

The Margaret Brown Trust is a charitable trust registered in England and Wales. The Charity's registered number and principal address can be found on the Charity Commission website.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

The financial statements are presented in pounds sterling (£) which is the functional currency of the Charity.

b) Basis of preparing the financial statements

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis.

c) Income recognition

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the Charity is legally entitled to the income after any performance conditions have been met, the amount can be measured reliably and it is probable that the income will be received.

d) Expenditure recognition

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Expenditure is recognised where there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payments to third parties, it is probable that the settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. It is categorised under the following headings:

- Raising funds includes investment management costs; and
- Charitable activities includes donations and support costs

Support costs are those costs incurred that assist the work of the charity and include governance and administrative costs.

e) Investments

Investments are recognised initially at cost, including transaction costs. Subsequently, they are measured at fair value with changes recognised in 'net gains / (losses) on investments' in the SoFA if the shares are publicly traded or their fair value can otherwise be measured reliably.

f) Debtors and creditors receivable/payable within one year

Debtors and creditors with no stated interest rate and receivable or payable within one year are recorded at transaction price. Any losses arising from impairments are recognised in expenditure.

THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023**

1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

g) Funds

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

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the Charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund.

In the opinion of the Trustees, all of the Trust's assets are unrestricted and available for distribution. The 'Capital' and 'Income' funds are separated to assist the Trustees in considering distributions of the Trust's income and capital.

2 INVESTMENT INCOME

	2023	2022
	£	£
UK dividends	36,103	38,432
UK Unit trust dividends	5,612	1,461
Overseas dividends	12,157	9,469
UK interest	809	1,033
Non-UK interest	5,194	948
	<u>59,875</u>	<u>51,343</u>

3 EMPLOYEES

The charity has no employees and therefore no employee remuneration was paid in the year (2022 - £nil).

4 TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

The Trustees neither received nor waived any remuneration during the year ended 5 April 2023 (2022 - £nil)

The Trustees did not have any expenses reimbursed during the year ended 5 April 2023 (2022 - £nil)

5 EXPENDITURE

	2023	2022
	£	£
Raising funds - investment management stockbrokers fees	16,940	17,647
Donations - see schedule below	19,707	59,803
Governance costs:		
Accountancy and administration costs	6,804	4,560
Independent examiner's fees	954	846
	<u>44,405</u>	<u>82,856</u>

THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023**

		2023	2022
		£	£
Donations made to institutions:			
April 2021	- Ancaster & Caythorpe Medical Equipment Trust	-	(1,804)
March 2022	- The Guide Dogs for the Blind Association	-	34,200
March 2022	- Lincolnshire Showground	-	15,932
May-22	- St John's Medical Centre	537	-
Jun-22	- Magpas Air Ambulance	16,300	-
Jan-23	- Burton Le Coggles PC	1,069	-
		<u>17,907</u>	<u>48,328</u>
Donations made to individuals:			
June 2021	- Mr B Flatters	-	11,475
June 2022	- Mr J Fry, re a defibrillator for Brick Kiln Place, Grantham	1,800	-
		<u>19,707</u>	<u>59,803</u>

The Trustees consider that the grants made fulfil the objects of the Trust.

6 INVESTMENTS

	£	£
Valuation at 6 April 2022	1,991,468	1,940,244
Additions at cost	13,234	61,384
Disposals at cost/valuation at 6 April 2022	(103,183)	(59,151)
Revaluation	(71,773)	48,992
	<u>1,829,746</u>	<u>1,991,468</u>

Included within the above are the following investments which represent more than 5% of the total value:

	£	£
3I Infrastructure	120,405	133,676
Finsbury Growth & Income Trust plc	135,000	124,950
Fundsmith LLP	169,140	165,972
Whitbread	101,259	96,852
Reckitt Benckiser Group	92,370	87,480

7 CREDITORS

	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	<u>3,636</u>	<u>3,168</u>

MARGARET BROWN TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1002967

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**THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST
STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
5 APRIL 2022**

THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

OFFICERS AND AGENTS

Trustees	C V R Skelton N E Wade Mrs M R B Wright
Bankers	HSBC Bank PLC 88 Westgate Grantham Lincolnshire NG31 6LF
Stockbrokers	Evelyn Partners Limited 45 Gresham Street London EC2V 7BG
Solicitors	Roythornes Limited Enterprise Way Pinchbeck Spalding Lincolnshire PE11 3YR
Independent Examiner	Messrs. Moore Thompson Chartered Accountants Bank House Broad Street Spalding Lincolnshire PE11 1TB
Principal Address	3 Castlegate Grantham Lincolnshire NG31 6SF

THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2022

The Trustees present their report and the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 5 April 2022. The Trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

Objectives and activities

The object of the Trust is to apply capital and income for charitable purposes as the Trustees see fit. Such purposes include:

1. The provision of guide dogs for the blind;
2. Cancer research;
3. The provision of kidney machines and allied equipment; and
4. The provision of specialist medical equipment for Huntly Hospital, Huntly.

Since the Trust makes individual significant donations, rather than funding long term projects, the Trustees consider that the return on investments is the only major risk to which the Charity is exposed. This risk is controlled by setting appropriate policies as referred to below.

Achievements and performance

Donations towards charitable causes in the local area during the year are shown in note 5.

During the year, the Trustees have considered applications for charitable donations and have approved projects which are in line with the Charity's objectives.

Donations made and agreed during the year amounted to £61,607 and included £34,200 donated to The Guide Dogs for the Blind Association.

A donation of £11,475 was made to an individual in respect of equipment which provides mobility support in their home, and £15,932 was donated to Lincolnshire Showground in respect of changing places equipment.

The Trustees have considered the Charity Commissions' guidance on public benefit and the main activities are in line with this guidance.

THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2022

Financial review including reserves policy

The Trustees aim to maintain the capital value of the Trust in real terms through capital growth from financial investments. Subject to retaining sufficient funds to cover administration costs, the Trustees aim to apply all the income received for charitable purposes.

The Charity is funded by investment income, primarily administered by Smith & Williamson Investment Management Limited (now known as Evelyn Partners following a business merger). These investments are made to achieve a balance between capital growth and income with low risk. The Trustees have the authority to make any investments they consider appropriate.

Reserves at the year end, in the sum of £2,137,107 (2021 - £2,114,670) are considered by the Trustees to be adequate to service the activities of the Trust.

Structure, governance and management (including reference and administrative details)

The Margaret Brown Trust was constituted by the Will of Miss M.S. Brown, declaration of trust dated 23 April 1991, and is a Registered Charity, no. 1002967.

Principal address: 3 Castlegate, Grantham, Lincolnshire, NG31 6SF
Trustees: Mr C V R Skelton, Mr N E Wade and Mrs M R B Wright

The Trustees who served during the year are shown above. In the event of a Trustee ceasing to hold office, the remaining Trustees have the authority to appoint a replacement. The Trustees manage the affairs of the Trust and give consideration to making distributions, as appropriate. There have been no changes in the policies of the Charity during the year. The Trustees are not paid any remuneration or expenses.

Administration

The administration function is carried out by Duncan & Toplis Limited, 3 Castlegate, Grantham, Lincolnshire, NG31 6SF.

C V R Skelton
on behalf of the Board of Trustees

04 January 2023

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

Independent Examiner's report to the Trustees of The Margaret Brown Trust

I report to the Charity's Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 5 April 2022 which are set out on pages 5 to 9.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Charity's Trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent Examiner's statement

I have completed my examination.

I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- 1 Accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- 2 the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the accounts do not comply with applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have identified no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in the report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**K J Maggs BA FCA
Messrs. Moore Thompson
Chartered Accountants
Bank House
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PE11 1TB**

18 January 2023

THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2022

	Note	TOTAL FUNDS 2022		TOTAL FUNDS 2021	
		£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:					
Investment income	2		51,343		45,014
TOTAL			<u>51,343</u>		<u>45,014</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Raising funds	5		17,647		15,452
Charitable activities	5		65,209		76,912
TOTAL	5		<u>82,856</u>		<u>92,364</u>
Net expenditure			(31,512)		(47,350)
Net gains on investments			53,950		356,283
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS			22,437		308,933
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward			<u>2,114,670</u>		<u>1,805,737</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD			<u><u>2,137,107</u></u>		<u><u>2,114,670</u></u>

The notes on pages 7 to 9 form part of these financial statements

THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 5 APRIL 2022

	Note	2022		2021	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Investments	6		1,991,468		1,940,244
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank and in hand:					
HSBC Bank plc account		109,305		149,499	
Evelyn Partners Dividend account		2,270		2,364	
Evelyn Partners Investment account		<u>37,231</u>		<u>52,153</u>	
		148,807		204,016	
CURRENT LIABILITIES: amounts falling due within one year					
Creditors	7	<u>(3,168)</u>		<u>(29,590)</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			<u>145,639</u>		<u>174,426</u>
NET ASSETS			<u>2,137,107</u>		<u>2,114,670</u>
FUNDS:					
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS:					
CAPITAL FUND					
Opening balance		2,000,797		1,644,514	
Net movement in market value of shares sold in the year		-		1,908	
Net gains on revaluation of investments to market value at year end (<i>note 6</i>)		<u>53,950</u>	2,054,747	<u>354,375</u>	2,000,797
INCOME FUND					
Opening balance		113,873		161,223	
Net expenditure for the year		<u>(31,512)</u>	<u>82,360</u>	<u>(47,350)</u>	<u>113,873</u>
TOTAL FUNDS			<u>2,137,107</u>		<u>2,114,670</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 4 January 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:

C V R Skelton - Trustee

The notes on pages 7 to 9 form part of these financial statements

THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2022

1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) General information

The Margaret Brown Trust is a charitable trust registered in England and Wales. The Charity's registered number and principal address can be found on the Charity Commission website.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

The financial statements are presented in pounds sterling (£) which is the functional currency of the Charity.

b) Basis of preparing the financial statements

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis.

c) Income recognition

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the Charity is legally entitled to the income after any performance conditions have been met, the amount can be measured reliably and it is probable that the income will be received.

d) Expenditure recognition

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Expenditure is recognised where there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payments to third parties, it is probable that the settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. It is categorised under the following headings:

- Raising funds includes investment management costs; and
- Charitable activities includes donations and support costs

Support costs are those costs incurred that assist the work of the charity and include governance and administrative costs.

e) Investments

Investments are recognised initially at cost, including transaction costs. Subsequently, they are measured at fair value with changes recognised in 'net gains / (losses) on investments' in the SoFA if the shares are publicly traded or their fair value can otherwise be measured reliably.

f) Debtors and creditors receivable/payable within one year

Debtors and creditors with no stated interest rate and receivable or payable within one year are recorded at transaction price. Any losses arising from impairments are recognised in expenditure.

THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2022

1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

g) Funds

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

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the Charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund.

In the opinion of the Trustees, all of the Trust's assets are unrestricted and available for distribution. The 'Capital' and 'Income' funds are separated to assist the Trustees in considering distributions of the Trust's income and capital.

2 INVESTMENT INCOME

	2022	2021
	£	£
UK dividends	38,432	24,249
UK Unit trust dividends	1,461	7,058
Overseas dividends	9,469	4,153
UK interest	1,033	8,396
Non-UK interest	948	1,158
	<u>51,343</u>	<u>45,014</u>

3 EMPLOYEES

The charity has no employees and therefore no employee remuneration was paid in the year (2021 - £nil).

4 TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

The Trustees neither received nor waived any remuneration during the year ended 5 April 2022 (2021 - £nil)

The Trustees did not have any expenses reimbursed during the year ended 5 April 2022 (2021 - £nil)

5 EXPENDITURE

	2022	2021
	£	£
Raising funds - investment management stockbrokers fees	17,647	15,452
Donations - see schedule below	59,803	69,568
Governance costs:		
Accountancy and administration costs	4,560	5,940
Independent examiner's fees	846	804
Professional fees	-	600
	<u>82,856</u>	<u>92,364</u>

THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2022**

		2022	2021
		£	£
Donations made to institutions:			
July 2020	- G.R.O.W.	-	854
September 2020	- British Red Cross	-	6,012
September 2020/April 2021/March 2020	- St Barnabas Hospice Trust	-	12,340
October 2020	- Lincs & Notts Air Ambulance	-	22,104
April 2021	- Great Gonerby PC	-	1,800
April 2021	- St. John's Medical Centre	-	4,283
April 2021	- Brant Broughton Parish Council	-	1,800
April 2021	- Ancaster & Caythorpe Medical Equipment Trust	(1,804)	10,703
March 2022	- The Guide Dogs for the Blind Association	34,200	-
March 2022	- Lincolnshire Showground	15,932	-
		<u>48,328</u>	<u>59,896</u>
Donations made to individuals:			
July 2020	- Mr Andrew Sheardown	-	9,672
June 2021	- Mr B Flatters	11,475	-
		<u>59,803</u>	<u>69,568</u>

The Trustees consider that the grants made fulfil the objects of the Trust.

A donation of £10,703 to the Caythorpe & Ancaster Medical Equipment Trust was agreed by the Trustees before 5 April 2021. The actual costs of the medical equipment of £8,899 paid for in the year to 5 April 2022 was less than the original quote and has been adjusted for as shown above.

6 INVESTMENTS

	2022	2021
	£	£
Valuation at 6 April 2021	1,940,244	1,616,545
Additions at cost	61,384	66,726
Disposals at cost/valuation at 6 April 2021	(59,151)	(97,402)
Revaluation	48,992	354,375
Valuation at 5 April 2022	<u>1,991,468</u>	<u>1,940,244</u>

Included within the above are the following investments which represent more than 5% of the total value:

	2022	2021
	£	£
3I Infrastructure	133,676	114,058
Finsbury Growth & Income Trust plc	124,950	129,300
Fundsmith LLP	165,972	152,058
Whitbread	96,852	116,141

7 CREDITORS

	2022	2021
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	<u>3,168</u>	<u>29,590</u>

MARGARET BROWN TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1002967

Accounts

THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST
STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
5 APRIL 2021

THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

OFFICERS AND AGENTS

Trustees	C V R Skelton N E Wade J D Andrew (Retired 10/03/2021) Mrs M R B Wright (Appointed 10/03/2021)
Bankers	HSBC Bank PLC 88 Westgate Grantham Lincolnshire NG31 6LF
Stockbrokers	Smith & Williamson Investment Management Limited 25 Moorgate London EC2R 6AY
Solicitors	Roythornes Limited Enterprise Way Pinchbeck Spalding Lincolnshire PE11 3YR
Independent Examiner	Messrs. Moore Thompson Chartered Accountants Bank House Broad Street Spalding Lincolnshire PE11 1TB
Principal Address	3 Castlegate Grantham Lincolnshire NG31 6SF

THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2021

The Trustees present their report and the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 5 April 2021. The Trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

Objectives and activities

The object of the Trust is to apply capital and income for charitable purposes as the Trustees see fit. Such purposes include:

1. The provision of guide dogs for the blind;
2. Cancer research;
3. The provision of kidney machines and allied equipment; and
4. The provision of specialist medical equipment for Huntly Hospital, Huntly.

Since the Trust makes individual significant donations, rather than funding long term projects, the Trustees consider that the return on investments is the only major risk to which the Charity is exposed. This risk is controlled by setting appropriate policies as referred to below.

Achievements and performance

Donations towards charitable causes in the local area during the year are shown in note 5.

During the year, the Trustees have considered applications for charitable donations and have approved projects which are in line with the Charity's objectives.

Donations made and agreed during the year amounted to £69,568 and included £22,104 donated to the Lincs & Notts Air Ambulance in respect of onboard medical equipment.

A donation of £6,012 was made to the British Red Cross in Grantham for heavy duty wheelchairs, £4,960 was donated to St Barnabas Hospice in respect of IT equipment for their in-patient unit, £854 to the G.R.O.W. charity in respect of items for the garden project at Grantham Hospital and £9,672 for the provision of medical equipment to someone within the local community.

The following donations, which were agreed by the Trustees during the year, have been paid since 5 April 2021:

£4,283 to St John's Medical Centre in Grantham for blood pressure monitoring equipment;
£7,380 to St Barnabas Hospice for medical observation equipment;
£3,600 to local parish councils for the provision of defibrillators; and
£10,703 to Ancaster & Caythorpe Medical Equipment Trust for micro-suction ear cleaning equipment.

Subsequent to the year end, the Trustees made a donation of £11,476 in respect of equipment which provides support for someone in their home.

The Trustees have considered the Charity Commissions' guidance on public benefit and the main activities are in line with this guidance.

THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2021

Financial review including reserves policy

The Trustees aim to maintain the capital value of the Trust in real terms through capital growth from financial investments. Subject to retaining sufficient funds to cover administration costs, the Trustees aim to apply all the income received for charitable purposes.

The Charity is funded by investment income, primarily administered by Smith & Williamson Investment Management Limited. These investments are made to achieve a balance between capital growth and income with low risk. The Trustees have the authority to make any investments they consider appropriate.

As reported in the accounts for the previous year, the value of the Trust's investments recovered subsequent to 5 April 2020 following a significant decrease due to the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on the global economy.

Reserves at the year end, in the sum of £2,114,670 (2020 - £1,805,737) are considered by the Trustees to be adequate to service the activities of the Trust.

Structure, governance and management (including reference and administrative details)

The Margaret Brown Trust was constituted by the Will of Miss M.S. Brown, declaration of trust dated 23 April 1991, and is a Registered Charity, no. 1002967.

Principal address: 3 Castlegate, Grantham, Lincolnshire, NG31 6SF
Trustees: Mr C V R Skelton, Mr N E Wade and Mrs M R B Wright (appointed 10 March 2021), Mr J D Andrew (retired 10 March 2021)

The Trustees who served during the year are shown above. In the event of a Trustee ceasing to hold office, the remaining Trustees have the authority to appoint a replacement. The Trustees manage the affairs of the Trust and give consideration to making distributions, as appropriate. There have been no changes in the policies of the Charity during the year. The Trustees are not paid any remuneration or expenses.

Administration

The administration function is carried out by Duncan & Toplis Limited, 3 Castlegate, Grantham, Lincolnshire, NG31 6SF.

C V R Skelton
on behalf of the Board of Trustees

30 November 2021

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

Independent Examiner's report to the Trustees of The Margaret Brown Trust

I report to the Charity's Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 5 April 2021 which are set out on pages 5 to 9.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Charity's Trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent Examiner's statement

I have completed my examination.

I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- 1 Accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- 2 the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the accounts do not comply with applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have identified no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in the report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**K J Maggs BA FCA
Messrs. Moore Thompson
Chartered Accountants
Bank House
Broad Street
SPALDING
Lincolnshire
PE11 1TB**

31 January 2022

THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2021

	Note	TOTAL FUNDS 2021		TOTAL FUNDS 2020	
		£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:					
Investment income	2		45,014		61,375
			<u>45,014</u>		<u>61,375</u>
TOTAL			<u>45,014</u>		<u>61,375</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Raising funds	5		15,452		16,947
Charitable activities	5		76,912		27,114
			<u>92,364</u>		<u>44,061</u>
TOTAL	5		<u>92,364</u>		<u>44,061</u>
Net (expenditure)/income			(47,350)		17,314
Net gains/(losses) on investments			356,283		(215,111)
			<u>308,933</u>		<u>(197,797)</u>
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS			<u>308,933</u>		<u>(197,797)</u>
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward			<u>1,805,737</u>		<u>2,003,534</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD			<u><u>2,114,670</u></u>		<u><u>1,805,737</u></u>

The notes on pages 7 to 9 form part of these financial statements

THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 5 APRIL 2021

	Note	2021		2020	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Investments	6		1,940,244		1,616,545
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank and in hand:					
HSBC Bank plc account		149,499		154,976	
S&W Dividend account		2,364		3,587	
S&W Investment account		<u>52,153</u>		<u>35,021</u>	
		204,016		193,584	
CURRENT LIABILITIES: amounts falling due within one year					
Creditors	7	<u>(29,590)</u>		<u>(4,392)</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			<u>174,426</u>		<u>189,192</u>
NET ASSETS			<u>2,114,670</u>		<u>1,805,737</u>
FUNDS:					
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS:					
CAPITAL FUND					
Opening balance		1,644,514		1,859,625	
Net movement in market value of shares sold in the year		1,908		16,981	
Net gains/(losses) on revaluation of investments to market value at year end (<i>note 6</i>)		<u>354,375</u>	2,000,797	<u>(232,092)</u>	1,644,514
INCOME FUND					
Opening balance		161,223		143,909	
Net (expenditure)/income for the year		<u>(47,350)</u>	<u>113,873</u>	<u>17,314</u>	<u>161,223</u>
TOTAL FUNDS			<u>2,114,670</u>		<u>1,805,737</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 30 November 2021 and were signed on its behalf by:

C V R Skelton - Trustee

The notes on pages 7 to 9 form part of these financial statements

THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2021

1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) General information

The Margaret Brown Trust is a charitable trust registered in England and Wales. The Charity's registered number and principal address can be found on the Charity Commission website.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

The financial statements are presented in pounds sterling (£) which is the functional currency of the Charity.

b) Basis of preparing the financial statements

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis.

c) Income recognition

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the Charity is legally entitled to the income after any performance conditions have been met, the amount can be measured reliably and it is probable that the income will be received.

d) Expenditure recognition

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Expenditure is recognised where there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payments to third parties, it is probable that the settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. It is categorised under the following headings:

- Raising funds includes investment management costs; and
- Charitable activities includes donations and support costs

Support costs are those costs incurred that assist the work of the charity and include governance and administrative costs.

e) Investments

Investments are recognised initially at cost, including transaction costs. Subsequently, they are measured at fair value with changes recognised in 'net gains / (losses) on investments' in the SoFA if the shares are publicly traded or their fair value can otherwise be measured reliably.

f) Debtors and creditors receivable/payable within one year

Debtors and creditors with no stated interest rate and receivable or payable within one year are recorded at transaction price. Any losses arising from impairments are recognised in expenditure.

THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2021

1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

g) Funds

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

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the Charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund.

In the opinion of the Trustees, all of the Trust's assets are unrestricted and available for distribution. The 'Capital' and 'Income' funds are separated to assist the Trustees in considering distributions of the Trust's income and capital.

2 INVESTMENT INCOME

	2021	2020
	£	£
UK dividends	24,249	37,025
UK Unit trust dividends	7,058	10,694
Overseas dividends	4,153	4,283
UK interest	8,396	7,882
Non-UK interest	1,158	1,491
	<u>45,014</u>	<u>61,375</u>

3 EMPLOYEES

The charity has no employees and therefore no employee remuneration was paid in the year (2020 - £nil).

4 TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

The Trustees neither received nor waived any remuneration during the year ended 5 April 2021 (2020 - £nil)

The Trustees did not have any expenses reimbursed during the year ended 5 April 2021 (2020 - £nil)

5 EXPENDITURE

	2021	2020
	£	£
Raising funds - investment management stockbrokers fees	15,452	16,947
Donations - see schedule below	69,568	20,610
Governance costs:		
Accountancy and administration costs	5,940	5,724
Independent examiner's fees	804	780
Professional fees	600	-
	<u>92,364</u>	<u>44,061</u>

THE MARGARET BROWN TRUST

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2021**

	2021	2020
	£	£
Donations made to institutions:		
June 2019	-	1,400
August 2019	-	500
September 2019	-	1,600
February 2020	-	1,600
March 2020	-	1,600
March 2020	-	1,600
July 2020	854	-
July 2020	9,672	-
September 2020	6,012	-
September 2020/April 2021/March 2020	12,340	12,310
October 2020	22,104	-
April 2021	1,800	-
April 2021	4,283	-
April 2021	1,800	-
April 2021	10,703	-
	<u>69,568</u>	<u>20,610</u>

The Trustees consider that the grants made fulfil the objects of the Trust.

6 INVESTMENTS

	2021	2020
	£	£
Valuation at 6 April 2020	1,616,545	1,856,042
Additions at cost	66,726	19,503
Disposals at cost/valuation at 6 April 2020	(97,402)	(26,908)
Revaluation	<u>354,375</u>	<u>(232,092)</u>
Valuation at 5 April 2021	<u>1,940,244</u>	<u>1,616,545</u>

Included within the above are the following investments which represent more than 5% of the total value:

	2021	2020
	£	£
3I Infrastructure	114,058	95,208
Finsbury Growth & Income Trust plc	129,300	114,000
Fundsmith LLP	152,058	117,789
Reckitt Benckiser Group plc	97,470	92,250
Whitbread	116,141	68,478

7 CREDITORS

	2021	2020
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	<u>29,590</u>	<u>4,392</u>