

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1014942

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2024
for
Wise Music Foundation

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for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

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Wise Music Foundation

Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

Wise Music Foundation (Previously known as The Music Sales Charitable Trust), which was set up in 1992 by Deed dated 20th October 1992 with clause 8 as amended by Deed dated 8th April 2009 has continued to operate within its objects as laid down in clause 5 of the 20th October 1992 Deed.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

Following are the main aims and objectives of the Wise Music Foundation (Previously known as The Music Sales Charitable Trust):

To relieve in cases of need hardship, distress, or illness or infirmity (howsoever) of persons resident in the United Kingdom and particularly persons resident in London, Bury St Edmunds and wheresoever the Trustees in their discretion shall decide.

To further the education (including social and physical training) of children attending schools in the United Kingdom and particularly persons resident in London, Bury St Edmunds and wheresoever the Trustees in their discretion shall decide.

Any charitable purposes for the benefit of the inhabitants of London, Bury St Edmunds and wheresoever the Trustees in their discretion shall decide.

The trust's main activity is to ensure that it continues to fulfil its objectives by making donations to relevant operating organisations who will utilize the funding effectively.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

The effectiveness of the Trust's work can be gauged by the continued sequence of appeals it receives and growth of those they assist.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Trust maintains a stable financial position. During the year, it received 3 unrestricted voluntary donations totalling £71,764 (2023: £88,125). Total payments of £42,220 (2023: £90,180) were made in respect of 19 grants and donations (2023: 77). Grants to institutions in excess of £5,000 were made as follows:

Institution	No of donations	£
EAST ANGLIA	1	5,000
MSF	1	5,000
St. Nicholas Hospice Care	1	5,000
Westminster Synagogue	1	5,000
Other under £5,000	15	22,220
Total	19	42,220

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The Trust is governed by Deed and Trustees are elected by Company wide requests for applications to fill vacancies as they arise.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1014942

Principal address

14-15 Berners Street
London
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Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

Trustees

C M Butler
R Wise
M Wise
M Wise
D Stock
N J M Kemp
J A J Welland
Ms R L Tyler

Independent Examiner

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 24 October 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

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D Stock - Trustee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Wise Music Foundation

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Wise Music Foundation

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Wise Music Foundation (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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 Trust'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 Trust 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 the 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 come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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24 October 2025

Wise Music Foundation

Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024


	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		71,765	-	71,765	88,125
Investment income	2	-	-	-	1,493
Total		<u>71,765</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>71,765</u>	<u>89,618</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities	3				
Grants and donations		44,620	-	44,620	90,180
Other		-	-	-	2,400
Total		<u>44,620</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>44,620</u>	<u>92,580</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		27,145	-	27,145	(2,962)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		(20,707)	249,000	228,293	231,255
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>6,438</u>	<u>249,000</u>	<u>255,438</u>	<u>228,293</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

Wise Music Foundation**Statement of Financial Position**
31 December 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Social investments	8	-	249,000	249,000	249,000
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	9	31,238	-	31,238	-
Cash at bank		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(13,307)</u>
		31,238	-	31,238	(13,307)
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	10	(24,800)	-	(24,800)	(7,400)
		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>6,438</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,438</u>	<u>(20,707)</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>6,438</u>	<u>249,000</u>	<u>255,438</u>	<u>228,293</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>6,438</u>	<u>249,000</u>	<u>255,438</u>	<u>228,293</u>
FUNDS	11				
Unrestricted funds:					
General fund				6,438	(20,707)
Restricted funds:					
Restricted fund				<u>249,000</u>	<u>249,000</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>255,438</u>	<u>228,293</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 24 October 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

DocuSigned by:

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D Stock - Trustee

Wise Music Foundation

Notes to the Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, 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 have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end date are noted as a commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

2. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2024	2023
	£	£
Other fixed asset inv - UnFII	-	1,493

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Grant funding of activities (see note 4) £	Support costs (see note 5) £	Totals £
Grants and donations	<u>42,220</u>	<u>2,400</u>	<u>44,620</u>

4. GRANTS PAYABLE

	2024 £	2023 £
Grants and donations	<u>42,220</u>	<u>90,180</u>

The total grants paid to institutions during the year was as follows:

	2024 £	2023 £
General	725	-
Educations & training	5,000	2,400
Medical, health & sickness	19,950	52,530
Disability	2,745	-
Overseas and famine relief	-	27,500
Religion	5,000	-
Art & culture	<u>8,800</u>	<u>7,750</u>
	<u>42,220</u>	<u>90,180</u>

5. SUPPORT COSTS

	Governance costs £
Grants and donations	<u>2,400</u>

6. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2024 nor for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2024 nor for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Wise Music Foundation**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024****7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	88,125	-	88,125
Investment income	<u>1,493</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,493</u>
Total	<u>89,618</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>89,618</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Grants and donations	90,180	-	90,180
Other	<u>2,400</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,400</u>
Total	<u>92,580</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>92,580</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(2,962)	-	(2,962)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	<u>(17,745)</u>	<u>249,000</u>	<u>231,255</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>(20,707)</u>	<u>249,000</u>	<u>228,293</u>

8. SOCIAL INVESTMENTS

	Other investments £
MARKET VALUE	
At 1 January 2024 and 31 December 2024	<u>249,000</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 December 2024	<u>249,000</u>
At 31 December 2023	<u>249,000</u>

9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024 £	2023 £
Other debtors	<u>31,238</u>	<u>-</u>

Wise Music Foundation**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued**
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024**10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	2024	2023
	£	£
Other creditors	<u>24,800</u>	<u>7,400</u>

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.1.24	Net movement in funds	At 31.12.24
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	(20,707)	27,145	6,438
Restricted funds			
Restricted fund	249,000	-	249,000
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>228,293</u>	<u>27,145</u>	<u>255,438</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	71,765	(44,620)	27,145
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>71,765</u>	<u>(44,620)</u>	<u>27,145</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.1.23	Net movement in funds	At 31.12.23
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	(17,745)	(2,962)	(20,707)
Restricted funds			
Restricted fund	249,000	-	249,000
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>231,255</u>	<u>(2,962)</u>	<u>228,293</u>

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for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	89,618	(92,580)	(2,962)
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>89,618</u>	<u>(92,580)</u>	<u>(2,962)</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.1.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	(17,745)	24,183	6,438
Restricted funds			
Restricted fund	249,000	-	249,000
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>231,255</u>	<u>24,183</u>	<u>255,438</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	161,383	(137,200)	24,183
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>161,383</u>	<u>(137,200)</u>	<u>24,183</u>

12. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2024.

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	71,765	88,125
Investment income		
Other fixed asset inv - UnFII	-	1,493
Total incoming resources	71,765	89,618
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Grants to institutions	42,220	90,180
Support costs		
Governance costs		
Accountancy and legal fees	2,400	2,400
Total resources expended	44,620	92,580
Net income/(expenditure)	27,145	(2,962)