

The C T Thomas Trust

England & Wales · Charity number 1036285

Details

Other names	THE COUPE TRUST
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	1994-04-12
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

Address	Crocus Corner Station Close Newnham Bridge Tenbury Wells WR15 8PG
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Activities

Objects: GENERAL CHARITABLE PURPOSES

Activities: Provision of donations for any charitable purpose considered suitable by the trustees

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Overseas Aid/famine Relief, Religious Activities, Amateur Sport, Armed Forces/emergency Service Efficiency, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies

Geography

- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£199,150	£118,833	-	-
2024-03-31	£91,878	£114,875	-	-
2023-03-31	£90,102	£77,125	-	-
2022-03-31	£184,832	£123,260	-	-
2021-03-31	£98,137	£55,065	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Christopher Morley		2021-09-16
Jane Veronica Barbara Newton		2019-03-22
MISS S R COUPE		
MR A J DALE		
NICHOLAS EWEN WALKER		2012-07-28
Nicholas Charles CHAMPION		2024-11-07

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Accounts

**Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025
for
The CT Thomas Trust**

Streets Dyke Ruscoe Ltd
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for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 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

Objectives and aims

The objects of the Trust are to apply the annual income of the Trust Fund to such charities or for such charitable objects, in such shares and in such manner in all respects as the Trustees in their absolute discretion think fit. The charity is constituted as two funds, the General Fund and Lancashire Designated Fund.

It is the present policy of the trustees to make grants to national, international and local charities covering as broad a spectrum of the charitable scene as is possible.

- The beneficiaries of the Trust Fund have changed at various points over the years, while maintaining the spirit of the settlor's original intentions. Grants have been made for the following objects:

- For the advancement of health or saving of lives;
- For the advancement of human rights, equality and diversity;
- For the advancement of citizenship or community development;
- For the advancement of education;
- For the advancement of religion;
- For the prevention or relief of poverty;
- For the advancement of the arts, culture, heritage or science;
- For local charitable purposes;
- For relief of those in need by reason of youth, disability or other disadvantage;
- For support of the armed forces of the Crown and
- Protection of the environment.

The objects of the Lancashire Designated Fund are as for the General Fund but to aid beneficiaries within the Lancashire area.

The trustees are also empowered in their absolute discretion to distribute such of the Trust Fund as is deemed necessary and desirable in the same terms as the income of the Trust. At the present time the policy of the trustees is not to distribute the capital of the Trust Fund except in exceptional circumstances.

Public benefit

The trustees confirm that they have taken the need for public benefit into account when reviewing the Trust's aims and objects and in setting out the grant making policies. The trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and confirm that every effort is made to ensure that donations made are for the public benefit.

The positive social impact anticipated from each grant is considered before a grant is awarded, and monitored. This enables trustees to be confident that the charity has, through its wide range of grantees, achieved significant public benefit for a number of vulnerable groups across the UK.

A diverse range of public benefit is provided by the many charities supported each year, as they work to alleviate need and distress, and help people lead more fulfilling lives.

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Grantmaking

The charity aims to fulfil its objects by providing a sustainable and growing grant-making programme, supporting a wide variety of charitable projects and organisations across the UK.

The trustees regard themselves as a broad, generalist and predominantly reactive grant maker, with a policy of selecting the best projects from applications received in order to achieve the maximum possible beneficial social impact.

To ensure a good level of social impact the trustees prefer to fund organisations which have real difficulty getting funding elsewhere and which demonstrate evidence of effective work meeting a compelling need. For this reason many of the grants are to fund smaller organisations and those without public appeal.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

During the year ended 31 March 2025 total income amounted to £199,150 (2024: £91,878). Distributions totalling £97,750 (2024: £95,250) were made to various charities and £21,083 (2024: £19,625) was used to defray expenses.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

At the year end stock market investments were held of £2,376,475 (2024: £2,450,663) together with investment property valued at £265,500 (2024: £265,500). Cash at bank amounted to £203,810 (2024: £105,999) which covered creditors of £6,297 (2024: £7,010) more than 10 times over. Unrestricted funds available for distribution at the end of the financial year were £2,845,362 (2024: £2,819,611).

Investment policy and objectives

The investment assets are the primary funding source for the charity, so the performance of investments over the long-term is vitally important to the long-term sustainability of the charity, and the impact it can make through the grants it awards.

The charity operates a total return approach to investment, with power to spend income and/or capital.

The charity has power under its Scheme to invest in stocks, shares, funds, securities and other property. The Trustees have appointed professional investment advisors, who in particular advise on investment policy and strategy, asset allocation and the performance of managers.

The investment portfolio has the primary long term objective of maximising sustainable spending from the portfolio in order to support grant-making.

Reserves policy

Given the objectives and aims set out above the trustees consider that there is no need for a reserves policy.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

The CT Thomas Trust was established by way of a lifetime gift from the settlor. The charity was constituted by a Declaration of Trust dated 5 March 1994 and is registered in England and Wales, number 1036285. The Trust is privately funded and does not raise funds from external sources.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

Any new trustees are recruited and appointed by the existing trustees having considered the skills and experience required.

Related parties

There were no other related party transactions.

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**Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

The trustees formally review risk on an annual basis as well as when issues arise.

The trustees have reviewed areas of potential risk for the charity and concluded that there are sufficient controls in place across the organisation.

One of the key risks identified is that of substantial investment losses, which would reduce the amount of money available for grant-making over the longer-term and hence the impact of the charity through the grants it awards; to address this the charity has a diversified investment portfolio and processes in place to monitor cash flow and spending, which should minimise the potential for long term losses. In addition, the trustees take professional advice for investment decisions from regulated stockbrokers.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered charity number:

1036285

Trustees:

Miss S R Coupe
Mr C Morley
Mr A J Dale
Mr N E Walker
Mrs J V B Newton
Mr N C Champion

Charity's principal address :

38 Teme Street
Tenbury Wells
Worcestershire
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Bankers:

TSB Plc
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Worcestershire
WR15 8AA

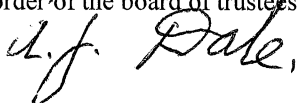
Solicitors:

Norris and Miles
6 Market Square
Tenbury Wells
Worcestershire
WR15 8BW

Stockbrokers:

EFG Harris Allday
Ground Floor
Beech House
Anchorage Avenue
Shrewsbury Business Park SY2 6FG

Approved by order of the board of trustees on8 January 2026... and signed on its behalf by:



.....
A J Dale - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
The CT Thomas Trust**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The CT Thomas Trust

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The CT Thomas Trust (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2025.

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.

S. C. Davies

S C Davies

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Date: 8 January 2026

The CT Thomas Trust

**Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

	Notes	2025 Unrestricted funds £	2024 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	2	101,039	-
Investment income	3	98,111	91,878
Total		<u>199,150</u>	<u>91,878</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	4	14,832	15,709
Charitable activities	5		
Grant funding activities		97,750	95,250
Governance costs		6,251	3,916
Total		<u>118,833</u>	<u>114,875</u>
Net gains/(losses) on investments		<u>(54,566)</u>	<u>(61,779)</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		25,751	(84,776)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		2,819,611	2,904,387
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>2,845,362</u></u>	<u><u>2,819,611</u></u>

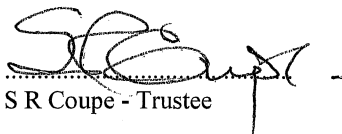
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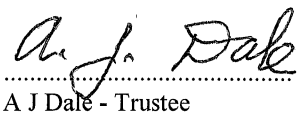
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**Balance Sheet
31 March 2025**

	Notes	2025 Unrestricted funds £	2024 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS			
Investments			
Investments	10	2,376,475	2,450,663
Investment property	11	265,500	265,500
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		2,641,975	2,716,163
 CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	12	5,874	4,459
Cash at bank		203,810	105,999
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		209,684	110,458
 CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	13	(6,297)	(7,010)
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NET CURRENT ASSETS		203,387	103,448
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TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		2,845,362	2,819,611
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NET ASSETS		2,845,362	2,819,611
		<hr/>	<hr/>
FUNDS	14		
Unrestricted funds		2,845,362	2,819,611
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TOTAL FUNDS		2,845,362	2,819,611
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The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on ~~...8...January...2026...~~ and were signed on its behalf by:


S R Coupe - Trustee


A J Dale - Trustee

**Notes to the Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

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, with the exception of investments which are included at market value.

The most significant areas of uncertainty affecting the carrying value of assets held by the Trust are the level of investment return and the performance of investment markets (see the investment policy and performance and risk management sections of the trustees' annual report for more information).

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.

Investment property

Investment property is shown at most recent valuation. Any aggregate surplus or deficit arising from changes in fair value is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Fixed asset investments

Investments are a form of basic financial instrument. Fixed asset investments are initially recognised at their transaction value and are subsequently measured at their fair value (market value) as at the balance sheet date. The Statement of Financial Activities includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluation and disposals throughout the year. Quoted stocks and shares are included in the Balance Sheet at the current market value quoted by the investment analyst, excluding dividend.

Realised gains and losses

All gains and losses are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities as they arise. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between sales proceeds and opening carrying value (purchase date if later). Unrealised gains and losses are calculated as the difference between the market value at the year end and the opening carrying value (or purchase date if later).

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.

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Debtors

Debtors are amounts owed to the charity. They are reported on the basis of their recoverable amount.

Cash at bank

Cash at bank and in hand is held to meet the day to day running costs of the charity as they fall due.

Creditors

Creditors are amounts owed by the charity. They are reported at the amount that the charity expects to have to pay to settle the debt.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2025	2024
	£	£
Donations	<u>101,039</u>	<u>-</u>

All donations were received from a trustee. The trustees are exercising their statutory exemption not to provide the name of the donor during their lifetime.

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2025	2024
	£	£
Investment income	96,769	90,891
Deposit account interest	794	727
Stockbrokers' deposit interest	548	260
	<u>98,111</u>	<u>91,878</u>

4. RAISING FUNDS

Investment management costs

	2025	2024
	£	£
Portfolio management	14,832	14,798
Property repairs	-	911
	<u>14,832</u>	<u>15,709</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

5. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Grant funding of activities (see note 6) £	Support costs (see note 7) £	Totals £
Grant funding activities	97,750	-	97,750
Governance costs	-	6,251	6,251
	<u>97,750</u>	<u>6,251</u>	<u>104,001</u>

6. GRANTS PAYABLE

	2025 £	2024 £
Advancement of health or saving of lives	53,000	51,250
Advancement of human rights, equality and diversity	11,000	10,000
Advancement of citizenship or community development	8,750	4,500
Advancement of education	1,500	1,500
Advancement or religion	1,000	-
Prevention or relief of poverty	3,000	7,500
Advancement of the arts, culture, heritage or science	3,500	10,000
Gifts for the benefit of a particular locality	2,000	-
Relief of those in need by reason of youth, disability or other disadvantage	11,000	6,000
Support of the armed forces of the Crown	1,000	2,000
Protection of the environment	2,000	2,500
	<u>97,750</u>	<u>95,250</u>

All grants are made to institutions. The trustees are exercising the statutory exemption to not provide names of recipients during the lifetime of the settlor.

7. SUPPORT COSTS

	Governance costs £
Governance costs	<u>6,251</u>

Governance costs consist of independent examination fees of £1,200 (2024: £857), accountancy fees of £3,839 (2024: £1,713), bookkeeping fees of £720 (2024: £768), Solicitors fees of £492 (2024: £NIL) and trustees' remuneration relating to non-trustee duties of £NIL (2024: £578).

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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8. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

No fees are paid to trustees for normal trustee's duties.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2025 nor for the year ended 31 March 2024.

9. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	
Investment income	91,878
EXPENDITURE ON	
Raising funds	15,709
Charitable activities	
Grant funding activities	95,250
Governance costs	3,916
Total	<u>114,875</u>
Net gains/(losses) on investments	<u>(61,779)</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(84,776)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS	
Total funds brought forward	2,904,387
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u><u>2,819,611</u></u>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

10. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

Listed investments

	2025	2024
	£	£
Market value at 31 March 2024	2,450,663	2,539,991
Additions	533,492	316,783
Disposals	(553,114)	(344,332)
Realised gains/(losses) - net	(11,148)	(15,025)
Unrealised gains/(losses) - net	(43,418)	(46,754)
	<u>2,376,475</u>	<u>2,450,663</u>
Market value at 31 March 2025	<u>2,376,475</u>	<u>2,450,663</u>
Historical cost at 31 March 2025	<u>2,075,200</u>	<u>2,103,165</u>

The additions and disposals of investments during the year are stated after adjusting for stockbroker's costs:-

	2025	2024
	£	£
Admin Charges	240	260
Stock Exchange Levy	10	14
	<u>250</u>	<u>274</u>

Investments at market value comprised:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Equities	1,971,326	1,932,250
Fixed interest securities	405,150	518,413
	<u>2,376,476</u>	<u>2,450,663</u>

Overseas invested funds included in the figures above:-

Equities	83,011	88,863
Fixed interest securities	-	-
	<u>83,011</u>	<u>88,863</u>

Listed investments are held 85% in the General fund and 15% in the Lancashire fund, all within unrestricted funds.

11. INVESTMENT PROPERTY

	£
FAIR VALUE	
At 1 April 2024 and 31 March 2025	<u>265,500</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 March 2025	<u>265,500</u>
At 31 March 2024	<u>265,500</u>

The Investment Property is included at an historical valuation from when the property was donated to the Trust. It was valued by a professional surveyor.

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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11. — INVESTMENT PROPERTY - continued

The property is subject to an Agricultural Tenancy with no succession rights. The Trust as landlord is responsible for repairs.

12. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025	2024
	£	£
Investment income debtors	5,874	4,459
	<u>5,874</u>	<u>4,459</u>

13. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025	2024
	£	£
Other creditors	6,297	7,010
	<u>6,297</u>	<u>7,010</u>

14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.24	Net movement in funds	Transfers between funds	At 31.3.25
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	2,375,059	33,936	(26,759)	2,382,236
Lancashire Designated Fund	444,552	(8,185)	26,759	463,126
	<u>2,819,611</u>	<u>25,751</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,845,362</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>2,819,611</u>	<u>25,751</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,845,362</u>

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

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Gains and losses	Movement in funds
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	199,150	(118,833)	(46,381)	33,936
Lancashire Designated Fund	-	-	(8,185)	(8,185)
	<u>199,150</u>	<u>(118,833)</u>	<u>(54,566)</u>	<u>25,751</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>199,150</u>	<u>(118,833)</u>	<u>(54,566)</u>	<u>25,751</u>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.24 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	2,461,406	(75,509)	(10,838)	2,375,059
Lancashire Designated Fund	442,981	(9,267)	10,838	444,552
	<u>2,904,387</u>	<u>(84,776)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,819,611</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>2,904,387</u>	<u>(84,776)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,819,611</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	91,878	(114,875)	(52,512)	(75,509)
Lancashire Designated Fund	-	-	(9,267)	(9,267)
	<u>91,878</u>	<u>(114,875)</u>	<u>(61,779)</u>	<u>(84,776)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>91,878</u>	<u>(114,875)</u>	<u>(61,779)</u>	<u>(84,776)</u>

The unrestricted funds are available to be spent for any of the purposes of the charity.
The Lancashire Designated fund is to specifically aid beneficiaries in Lancashire.

Transfers between funds

In a meeting of the trustees held on 15 November 2018 it was agreed that the Lancashire fund would in future be represented by 15% of the total funds both as to income after management costs but before the payment of grants, and investments at their value at each year end. A transfer between funds of £26,759 (2024: £10,838) has been made to achieve this outcome.

15. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

During the year, Norris & Miles Solicitors undertook some legal work for the Trust for the sum of £492.

Nick Walker, a trustee, is also a partner of Norris & Miles, but, there was no element of remuneration for trustee's duties.

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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16. GOING CONCERN

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue and the financial statements have therefore been prepared on a going concern basis.

The trustees have assessed the charity's cash reserves which are sufficient to enable its activities to continue for twelve months without the receipt of any additional funds.

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**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

	2025 £	2024 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	101,039	-
Investment income		
Investment income	96,769	90,891
Deposit account interest	794	727
Stockbrokers' deposit interest	548	260
	<u>98,111</u>	<u>91,878</u>
Total incoming resources	199,150	91,878
EXPENDITURE		
Investment management costs		
Portfolio management	14,832	14,798
Property repairs	-	911
	<u>14,832</u>	<u>15,709</u>
Charitable activities		
Grants to institutions	97,750	95,250
Support costs		
Governance costs		
Trustees' fees	-	578
Legal fees	492	-
Accountancy	5,039	2,570
Bookkeeping	720	768
	<u>6,251</u>	<u>3,916</u>
Total resources expended	<u>118,833</u>	<u>114,875</u>
Net income/(expenditure) before gains and losses	80,317	(22,997)
Realised recognised gains and losses		
Realised gains/(losses) on fixed asset investments	(11,148)	(15,025)
Net income/(expenditure)	<u>69,169</u>	<u>(38,022)</u>

This page does not form part of the statutory financial statements

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The CT Thomas Trust

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for the Year Ended 31 March 2024**

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024. 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

Objectives and aims

The objects of the Trust are to apply the annual income of the Trust Fund to such charities or for such charitable objects, in such shares and in such manner in all respects as the Trustees in their absolute discretion think fit. The charity is constituted as two funds, the General Fund and Lancashire Designated Fund.

It is the present policy of the trustees to make grants to national, international and local charities covering as broad a spectrum of the charitable scene as is possible.

- The beneficiaries of the Trust Fund have changed at various points over the years, while maintaining the spirit of the settlor's original intentions. Grants have been made for the following objects:

- For the advancement of health or saving of lives;
- For the advancement of human rights, equality and diversity;
- For the advancement of citizenship or community development;
- For the advancement of education;
- For the advancement of religion;
- For the prevention or relief of poverty;
- For the advancement of the arts, culture, heritage or science;
- For local charitable purposes;
- For relief of those in need by reason of youth, disability or other disadvantage;
- For support of the armed forces of the Crown and
- Protection of the environment.

The objects of the Lancashire Designated Fund are as for the General Fund but to aid beneficiaries within the Lancashire area.

The trustees are also empowered in their absolute discretion to distribute such of the Trust Fund as is deemed necessary and desirable in the same terms as the income of the Trust. At the present time the policy of the trustees is not to distribute the capital of the Trust Fund except in exceptional circumstances.

Public benefit

The trustees confirm that they have taken the need for public benefit into account when reviewing the Trust's aims and objects and in setting out the grant making policies. The trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and confirm that every effort is made to ensure that donations made are for the public benefit.

The positive social impact anticipated from each grant is considered before a grant is awarded, and monitored. This enables trustees to be confident that the charity has, through its wide range of grantees, achieved significant public benefit for a number of vulnerable groups across the UK.

A diverse range of public benefit is provided by the many charities supported each year, as they work to alleviate need and distress, and help people lead more fulfilling lives.

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Grantmaking

The charity aims to fulfil its objects by providing a sustainable and growing grant-making programme, supporting a wide variety of charitable projects and organisations across the UK.

The trustees regard themselves as a broad, generalist and predominantly reactive grant maker, with a policy of selecting the best projects from applications received in order to achieve the maximum possible beneficial social impact.

To ensure a good level of social impact the trustees prefer to fund organisations which have real difficulty getting funding elsewhere and which demonstrate evidence of effective work meeting a compelling need. For this reason many of the grants are to fund smaller organisations and those without public appeal.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

During the year ended 31 March 2024 total income amounted to £91,878 (2023: £90,102). Distributions totalling £95,250 (2023: £55,743) were made to various charities and £19,625 (2023: £21,382) was used to defray expenses.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

At the year end stock market investments were held of £2,450,663 (2023: £2,539,991) together with investment property valued at £265,500 (2023: £265,500). Cash at bank amounted to £105,999 (2023: £98,087) which covered creditors of £7,010 (2023: £4,441) more than 10 times over. Unrestricted funds available for distribution at the end of the financial year were £2,819,611 (2023: £2,904,387).

Investment policy and objectives

The investment assets are the primary funding source for the charity, so the performance of investments over the long-term is vitally important to the long-term sustainability of the charity, and the impact it can make through the grants it awards.

The charity operates a total return approach to investment, with power to spend income and/or capital.

The charity has power under its Scheme to invest in stocks, shares, funds, securities and other property. The Trustees have appointed professional investment advisors, who in particular advise on investment policy and strategy, asset allocation and the performance of managers.

The investment portfolio has the primary long term objective of maximising sustainable spending from the portfolio in order to support grant-making.

Reserves policy

Given the objectives and aims set out above the trustees consider that there is no need for a reserves policy.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

The CT Thomas Trust was established by way of a lifetime gift from the settlor. The charity was constituted by a Declaration of Trust dated 5 March 1994 and is registered in England and Wales, number 1036285. The Trust is privately funded and does not raise funds from external sources.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

Any new trustees are recruited and appointed by the existing trustees having considered the skills and experience required.

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**Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024**

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Related parties

During the year, Mr A J Dale, one of the trustees has been paid £578 for administration services.

There were no other related party transactions.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

The trustees formally review risk on an annual basis as well as when issues arise.

The trustees have reviewed areas of potential risk for the charity and concluded that there are sufficient controls in place across the organisation.

One of the key risks identified is that of substantial investment losses, which would reduce the amount of money available for grant-making over the longer-term and hence the impact of the charity through the grants it awards; to address this the charity has a diversified investment portfolio and processes in place to monitor cash flow and spending, which should minimise the potential for long term losses. In addition, the trustees take professional advice for investment decisions from regulated stockbrokers.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered charity number:

1036285

Trustees:

Miss S R Coupe
Mr C Morley
Mr A J Dale
Mr N E Walker
Mrs J V B Newton

Charity's principal address :

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Tenbury Wells
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Solicitors:

Norris and Miles
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Tenbury Wells
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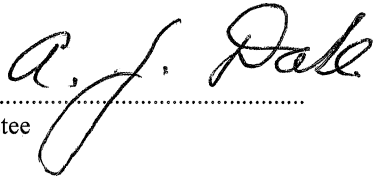
Stockbrokers:

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Ground Floor
Beech House
Anchorage Avenue
Shrewsbury Business Park SY2 6FG

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**Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024**

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 13 February 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "A. J. Dale". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal dotted line.

A J Dale - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
The CT Thomas Trust**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The CT Thomas Trust

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The CT Thomas Trust (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 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.



S C Davies

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Date: 13 February 2025

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**Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024**

		2024 Unrestricted funds £	2023 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Investment income	2	91,878	88,377
Other income		-	1,725
Total		<u>91,878</u>	<u>90,102</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	3	15,709	16,252
Charitable activities	4		
Grant funding activities		95,250	55,743
Governance costs		3,916	5,130
Total		<u>114,875</u>	<u>77,125</u>
Net gains/(losses) on investments		<u>(61,779)</u>	<u>(159,416)</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(84,776)	(146,439)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		2,904,387	3,050,826
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>2,819,611</u></u>	<u><u>2,904,387</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

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**Balance Sheet
31 March 2024**

		2024 Unrestricted funds £	2023 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS	Notes		
Investments			
Investments	9	2,450,663	2,539,991
Investment property	10	265,500	265,500
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		2,716,163	2,805,491
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	11	4,459	5,250
Cash at bank		105,999	98,087
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		110,458	103,337
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	12	(7,010)	(4,441)
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NET CURRENT ASSETS		103,448	98,896
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		2,819,611	2,904,387
NET ASSETS		<hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/>
		2,819,611	2,904,387

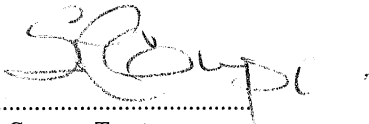
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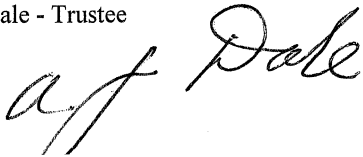
FUNDS	13		
Unrestricted funds		<u>2,819,611</u>	<u>2,904,387</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u><u>2,819,611</u></u>	<u><u>2,904,387</u></u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on ~~13 February 2025~~ and were signed on its behalf by:



.....
S R Coupe - Trustee

.....
A J Dale - Trustee



**Notes to the Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 March 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, with the exception of investments which are included at market value.

The most significant areas of uncertainty affecting the carrying value of assets held by the Trust are the level of investment return and the performance of investment markets (see the investment policy and performance and risk management sections of the trustees' annual report for more information).

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.

Investment property

Investment property is shown at most recent valuation. Any aggregate surplus or deficit arising from changes in fair value is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Fixed asset investments

Investments are a form of basic financial instrument. Fixed asset investments are initially recognised at their transaction value and are subsequently measured at their fair value (market value) as at the balance sheet date. The Statement of Financial Activities includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluation and disposals throughout the year. Quoted stocks and shares are included in the Balance Sheet at the current market value quoted by the investment analyst, excluding dividend.

Realised gains and losses

All gains and losses are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities as they arise. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between sales proceeds and opening carrying value (purchase date if later). Unrealised gains and losses are calculated as the difference between the market value at the year end and the opening carrying value (or purchase date if later).

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.

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

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Debtors

Debtors are amounts owed to the charity. They are reported on the basis of their recoverable amount.

Cash at bank

Cash at bank and in hand is held to meet the day to day running costs of the charity as they fall due.

Creditors

Creditors are amounts owed by the charity. They are reported at the amount that the charity expects to have to pay to settle the debt.

2. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2024	2023
	£	£
Investment income	90,891	88,081
Deposit account interest	727	248
Stockbrokers' deposit interest	260	48
	<u>91,878</u>	<u>88,377</u>

3. RAISING FUNDS

Investment management costs

	2024	2023
	£	£
Portfolio management	14,798	15,551
Property repairs	911	701
	<u>15,709</u>	<u>16,252</u>

4. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Grant funding of activities (see note 5) £	Support costs (see note 6) £	Totals £
Grant funding activities	95,250	-	95,250
Governance costs	-	3,916	3,916
	<u>95,250</u>	<u>3,916</u>	<u>99,166</u>

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

5. GRANTS PAYABLE

	2024	2023
	£	£
Advancement of health or saving of lives	51,250	21,500
Advancement of human rights, equality and diversity	10,000	-
Advancement of citizenship or community development	4,500	9,493
Advancement of education	1,500	3,000
Advancement or religion	-	3,000
Prevention or relief of poverty	7,500	-
Advancement of the arts, culture, heritage or science	10,000	4,000
Gifts for the benefit of a particular locality	-	3,250
Relief of those in need by reason of youth, disability or other disadvantage	6,000	10,500
Support of the armed forces of the Crown	2,000	1,000
Protection of the environment	2,500	-
	<u>95,250</u>	<u>55,743</u>

All grants are made to institutions. The trustees are exercising the statutory exemption to not provide names of recipients during the lifetime of the settlor.

6. SUPPORT COSTS

	Governance costs
	£
Governance costs	<u>3,916</u>

Governance costs consist of independent examination fees of £857 (2023: £883), accountancy fees of £1,713 (2023: £1,765), bookkeeping fees of £768 (2023: £1,782) and trustees' remuneration of £578 (2023: £700).

7. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

During the year, Mr A J Dale, one of the trustees has been paid £578 for administration services.

No fees are paid to trustees for normal trustee's duties.

Trustees' expenses

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

8. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds
	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	
Investment income	88,377
Other income	1,725
Total	<u>90,102</u>
EXPENDITURE ON	
Raising funds	16,252

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

8. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued

	Unrestricted funds £
Charitable activities	
Grant funding activities	55,743
Governance costs	5,130
Total	<u>77,125</u>
Net gains/(losses) on investments	<u>(159,416)</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(146,439)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS	
Total funds brought forward	3,050,826
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u><u>2,904,387</u></u>

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

9. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

Listed investments

	2024	2023
	£	£
Market value at 31 March 2023	2,539,991	2,685,267
Additions	316,783	180,794
Disposals	(344,332)	(166,656)
Realised gains/(losses) - net	(15,025)	223
Unrealised gains/(losses) - net	(46,754)	(159,638)
	<u>2,450,663</u>	<u>2,539,991</u>
Market value at 31 March 2024	<u>2,450,663</u>	<u>2,539,991</u>
Historical cost at 31 March 2024	<u>2,103,165</u>	<u>2,234,513</u>

The additions and disposals of investments during the year are stated after adjusting for stockbroker's costs:-

	2024	2023
	£	£
Admin Charges	260	220
Stock Exchange Levy	14	10
	<u>274</u>	<u>230</u>

Investments at market value comprised:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Equities	1,932,250	2,180,176
Fixed interest securities	518,413	359,814
	<u>2,450,663</u>	<u>2,539,991</u>

Overseas invested funds included in the figures above:-

Equities	88,863	195,315
Fixed interest securities	-	-
	<u>88,863</u>	<u>195,315</u>

Listed investments are held 85% in the General fund and 15% in the Lancashire fund, all within unrestricted funds.

10. INVESTMENT PROPERTY

	£
FAIR VALUE	
At 1 April 2023 and 31 March 2024	<u>265,500</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 March 2024	<u>265,500</u>
At 31 March 2023	<u>265,500</u>

The Investment Property is included at an historical valuation from when the property was donated to the Trust. It was valued by a professional surveyor.

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

10. INVESTMENT PROPERTY - continued

The property is subject to an Agricultural Tenancy with no succession rights. The Trust as landlord is responsible for repairs.

11. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
Investment income debtors	4,459	5,250
	<u>4,459</u>	<u>5,250</u>

12. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
Other creditors	7,010	4,441
	<u>7,010</u>	<u>4,441</u>

13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.23	Net movement in funds	Transfers between funds	At 31.3.24
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	2,461,406	(75,509)	(10,838)	2,375,059
Lancashire Designated Fund	442,981	(9,267)	10,838	444,552
	<u>2,904,387</u>	<u>(84,776)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,819,611</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>2,904,387</u>	<u>(84,776)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,819,611</u>

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

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Gains and losses	Movement in funds
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	91,878	(114,875)	(52,512)	(75,509)
Lancashire Designated Fund	-	-	(9,267)	(9,267)
	<u>91,878</u>	<u>(114,875)</u>	<u>(61,779)</u>	<u>(84,776)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>91,878</u>	<u>(114,875)</u>	<u>(61,779)</u>	<u>(84,776)</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.22 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.23 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	2,594,175	(122,526)	(10,243)	2,461,406
Lancashire Designated Fund	456,651	(23,913)	10,243	442,981
	<u>3,050,826</u>	<u>(146,439)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,904,387</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>3,050,826</u>	<u>(146,439)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,904,387</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	90,102	(77,125)	(135,503)	(122,526)
Lancashire Designated Fund	-	-	(23,913)	(23,913)
	<u>90,102</u>	<u>(77,125)</u>	<u>(159,416)</u>	<u>(146,439)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>90,102</u>	<u>(77,125)</u>	<u>(159,416)</u>	<u>(146,439)</u>

The unrestricted funds are available to be spent for any of the purposes of the charity.
The Lancashire Designated fund is to specifically aid beneficiaries in Lancashire.

Transfers between funds

In a meeting of the trustees held on 15 November 2018 it was agreed that the Lancashire fund would in future be represented by 15% of the total funds both as to income after management costs but before the payment of grants, and investments at their value at each year end. A transfer between funds of £10,838 (2023: £10,243) has been made to achieve this outcome.

14. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

During the year, Mr A J Dale, one of the trustees has been paid £578 for administration services.

There were no other related party transactions.

15. GOING CONCERN

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue and the financial statements have therefore been prepared on a going concern basis.

The trustees have assessed the charity's cash reserves which are sufficient to enable its activities to continue for twelve months without the receipt of any additional funds.

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**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024**

	2024 £	2023 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Investment income		
Investment income	90,891	88,081
Deposit account interest	727	248
Stockbrokers' deposit interest	260	48
	<u>91,878</u>	<u>88,377</u>
Other income		
Sundry receipts	-	1,673
Other interest	-	52
	<u>-</u>	<u>1,725</u>
Total incoming resources	91,878	90,102
EXPENDITURE		
Investment management costs		
Portfolio management	14,798	15,551
Property repairs	911	701
	<u>15,709</u>	<u>16,252</u>
Charitable activities		
Grants to institutions	95,250	55,743
Support costs		
Governance costs		
Trustees' fees	578	700
Accountancy	2,570	2,648
Bookkeeping	768	1,782
	<u>3,916</u>	<u>5,130</u>
Total resources expended	<u>114,875</u>	<u>77,125</u>
Net (expenditure)/income before gains and losses	(22,997)	12,977
Realised recognised gains and losses		
Realised gains/(losses) on fixed asset investments	(15,025)	222
Net (expenditure)/income	<u>(38,022)</u>	<u>13,199</u>

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The C T Thomas Trust

England & Wales - Charity number 1036285

Accounts

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1036285

**Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023
for
The CT Thomas Trust**

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The trustees are also empowered in their absolute discretion to distribute such of the Trust Fund as is deemed necessary and desirable in the same terms as the income of the Trust. At the present time the policy of the trustees is not to distribute the capital of the Trust Fund except in exceptional circumstances.

Public benefit

The trustees confirm that they have taken the need for public benefit into account when reviewing the Trust's aims and objects and in setting out the grant making policies. The trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and confirm that every effort is made to ensure that donations made are for the public benefit.

The positive social impact anticipated from each grant is considered before a grant is awarded, and monitored. This enables trustees to be confident that the charity has, through its wide range of grantees, achieved significant public benefit for a number of vulnerable groups across the UK.

A diverse range of public benefit is provided by the many charities supported each year, as they work to alleviate need and distress, and help people lead more fulfilling lives.

The CT Thomas Trust

Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Grantmaking

The charity aims to fulfil its objects by providing a sustainable and growing grant-making programme, supporting a wide variety of charitable projects and organisations across the UK.

The trustees regard themselves as a broad, generalist and predominantly reactive grant maker, with a policy of selecting the best projects from applications received in order to achieve the maximum possible beneficial social impact.

To ensure a good level of social impact the trustees prefer to fund organisations which have real difficulty getting funding elsewhere and which demonstrate evidence of effective work meeting a compelling need. For this reason many of the grants are to fund smaller organisations and those without public appeal.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

During the year ended 31 March 2023 total income amounted to £90,102 (2022: £184,832). Distributions totalling £55,743 (2022: £103,182) were made to various charities and £21,382 (2022: £20,078) was used to defray expenses.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

At the year end stock market investments were held of £2,539,991 (2022: £2,685,267) together with investment property valued at £265,500 (2022: £265,500). Cash at bank amounted to £98,087 (2022: £77,363) which covered creditors of £4,441 (2022: £5,540) more than 10 times over. Unrestricted funds available for distribution at the end of the financial year were £2,904,837 (2022: £3,050,826).

Investment policy and objectives

The investment assets are the primary funding source for the charity, so the performance of investments over the long-term is vitally important to the long-term sustainability of the charity, and the impact it can make through the grants it awards.

The charity operates a total return approach to investment, with power to spend income and/or capital.

The charity has power under its Scheme to invest in stocks, shares, funds, securities and other property. The Trustees have appointed professional investment advisors, who in particular advise on investment policy and strategy, asset allocation and the performance of managers.

The investment portfolio has the primary long term objective of maximising sustainable spending from the portfolio in order to support grant-making.

Reserves policy

Given the objectives and aims set out above the trustees consider that there is no need for a reserves policy.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

The CT Thomas Trust was established by way of a lifetime gift from the settlor. The charity was constituted by a Declaration of Trust dated 5 March 1994 and is registered in England and Wales, number 1036285. The Trust is privately funded and does not raise funds from external sources.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

Any new trustees are recruited and appointed by the existing trustees having considered the skills and experience required.

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Related parties

During the year, Mr A J Dale, one of the trustees has been paid £700 for administration services.

There were no other related party transactions.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

The trustees formally review risk on an annual basis as well as when issues arise.

The trustees have reviewed areas of potential risk for the charity and concluded that there are sufficient controls in place across the organisation.

One of the key risks identified is that of substantial investment losses, which would reduce the amount of money available for grant-making over the longer-term and hence the impact of the charity through the grants it awards; to address this the charity has a diversified investment portfolio and processes in place to monitor cash flow and spending, which should minimise the potential for long term losses. In addition, the trustees take professional advice for investment decisions from regulated stockbrokers.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered charity number:	1036285
Trustees:	Miss S R Coupe Mr C Morley Mr A J Dale Mr N E Walker Mrs J V B Newton
Charity's principal address :	38 Teme Street Tenbury Wells Worcestershire WR15 8AA
Bankers:	TSB Plc 71 Teme Street Tenbury Wells Worcestershire WR15 8AQ
Solicitors:	Norris and Miles 6 Market Square Tenbury Wells Worcestershire WR15 8BW
Stockbrokers:	EFG Harris Allday Ground Floor Beech House Anchorage Avenue Shrewsbury Business Park SY2 6FG

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**Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 2 April 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "A J Dale". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

A J Dale - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
The CT Thomas Trust**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The CT Thomas Trust

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The CT Thomas Trust (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2023.

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').

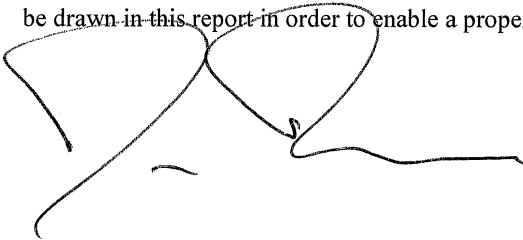
I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under Section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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.



P K Reynolds

Dyke Ruscoe & Hayes Ltd
Chartered Certified Accountants
110 Corve Street
Ludlow
SHROPSHIRE
SY8 1DJ

2 April 2024

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**Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

		2023 Unrestricted funds £	2022 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	Notes		
Donations and legacies	2	-	106,250
Investment income	3	88,377	78,582
Other income		1,725	-
Total		<u>90,102</u>	<u>184,832</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	4	16,252	16,634
Charitable activities	5		
Grant funding activities		55,743	103,182
Governance costs		5,130	3,444
Total		<u>77,125</u>	<u>123,260</u>
Net gains/(losses) on investments		<u>(159,416)</u>	<u>177,629</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		<u>(146,439)</u>	<u>239,201</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		3,050,826	2,811,625
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>2,904,387</u></u>	<u><u>3,050,826</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

The CT Thomas Trust

**Balance Sheet
31 March 2023**

	Notes	2023 Unrestricted funds £	2022 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS			
Investments			
Investments	10	2,539,991	2,685,267
Investment property	11	265,500	265,500
		<u>2,805,491</u>	<u>2,950,767</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	12	5,250	28,236
Cash at bank		98,087	77,363
		<u>103,337</u>	<u>105,599</u>
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	13	(4,441)	(5,540)
		<u>98,896</u>	<u>100,059</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS			
		<u>98,896</u>	<u>100,059</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			
		<u>2,904,387</u>	<u>3,050,826</u>
NET ASSETS			
		<u><u>2,904,387</u></u>	<u><u>3,050,826</u></u>

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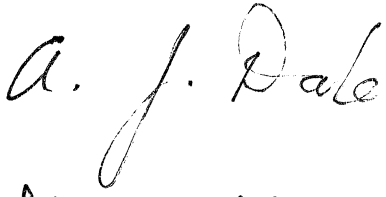
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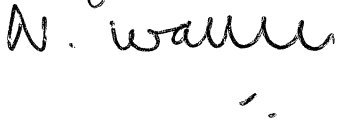
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31 March 2023

FUNDS	14		
Unrestricted funds		2,904,387	3,050,826
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>2,904,387</u>	<u>3,050,826</u>


The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 2 April 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:

S R Coupe - Trustee 

A J Dale - Trustee 

N E Walker - Trustee 

J V B Newton - Trustee 

C Morley - Trustee 

The CT Thomas Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

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, with the exception of investments which are included at market value.

The most significant areas of uncertainty affecting the carrying value of assets held by the Trust are the level of investment return and the performance of investment markets (see the investment policy and performance and risk management sections of the trustees' annual report for more information).

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.

Investment property

Investment property is shown at most recent valuation. Any aggregate surplus or deficit arising from changes in fair value is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Fixed asset investments

Investments are a form of basic financial instrument. Fixed asset investments are initially recognised at their transaction value and are subsequently measured at their fair value (market value) as at the balance sheet date. The Statement of Financial Activities includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluation and disposals throughout the year. Quoted stocks and shares are included in the Balance Sheet at the current market value quoted by the investment analyst, excluding dividend.

Realised gains and losses

All gains and losses are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities as they arise. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between sales proceeds and opening carrying value (purchase date if later). Unrealised gains and losses are calculated as the difference between the market value at the year end and the opening carrying value (or purchase date if later).

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.

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Debtors

Debtors are amounts owed to the charity. They are reported on the basis of their recoverable amount.

Cash at bank

Cash at bank and in hand is held to meet the day to day running costs of the charity as they fall due.

Creditors

Creditors are amounts owed by the charity. They are reported at the amount that the charity expects to have to pay to settle the debt.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2023	2022
	£	£
Donations	-	85,000
Gift aid	-	21,250
	<u>-</u>	<u>106,250</u>

All donations were received from a trustee. The trustees are exercising their statutory exemption not to provide the name of the donor during their lifetime.

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2023	2022
	£	£
Investment income	88,081	78,457
Deposit account interest	248	125
Stockbrokers' deposit interest	48	-
	<u>88,377</u>	<u>78,582</u>

4. RAISING FUNDS

Investment management costs

	2023	2022
	£	£
Portfolio management	15,551	15,902
Property repairs	701	732
	<u>16,252</u>	<u>16,634</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

5. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Grant funding of activities (see note 6) £	Support costs (see note 7) £	Totals £
Grant funding activities	55,743	-	55,743
Governance costs	-	5,130	5,130
	<u>55,743</u>	<u>5,130</u>	<u>60,873</u>

6. GRANTS PAYABLE

	2023 £	2022 £
Advancement of health or saving of lives	21,500	26,500
Advancement of human rights, equality and diversity	-	25,000
Advancement of citizenship or community development	9,493	-
Advancement of education	3,000	6,500
Advancement or religion	3,000	-
Prevention or relief of poverty	-	5,000
Advancement of the arts, culture, heritage or science	4,000	4,000
Gifts for the benefit of a particular locality	3,250	10,682
Relief of those in need by reason of youth, disability or other disadvantage	10,500	21,500
Support of the armed forces of the Crown	1,000	4,000
Protection of the environment	-	-
	<u>55,743</u>	<u>103,182</u>

All grants are made to institutions. The trustees are exercising the statutory exemption to not provide names of recipients during the lifetime of the settlor.

7. SUPPORT COSTS

	Governance costs £
Governance costs	<u>5,130</u>

Governance costs consist of independent examination fees of £883 (2022: £685), accountancy fees of £1,765 (2022: £1,370), bookkeeping fees of £1,782 (2022: £nil) and trustees' remuneration of £700 (2022: £1,388).

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

8. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

During the year, Mr A J Dale, one of the trustees has been paid £700 for administration services.

No fees are paid to trustees for normal trustee's duties.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2023 nor for the year ended 31 March 2022.

9. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	
Donations and legacies	106,250
Investment income	78,582
Total	<u>184,832</u>
EXPENDITURE ON	
Raising funds	16,634
Charitable activities	
Grant funding activities	103,182
Governance costs	3,444
Total	<u>123,260</u>
Net gains on investments	<u>177,629</u>
NET INCOME	239,201
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS	
Total funds brought forward	2,811,625
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u><u>3,050,826</u></u>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

10. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

Listed investments	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£
Market value at 31 March 2022	2,685,267	2,392,872
Additions	180,794	264,723
Disposals	(166,656)	(149,957)
Realised gains/(losses) - net	223	31,127
Unrealised gains/(losses) - net	(159,638)	146,502
Market value at 31 March 2023	<u>2,539,991</u>	<u>2,685,267</u>
Historical cost at 31 March 2023	<u>2,234,513</u>	<u>2,208,398</u>
The additions and disposals of investments during the year are stated after adjusting for stockbroker's costs:-	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Admin charges	220	300
Stock Exchange levy	10	14
Third party charges	-	-
	<u>230</u>	<u>314</u>
Investments at market value comprised:	2023	2022
	£	£
Equities	2,180,176	2,282,723
Fixed interest securities	359,814	402,544
	<u>2,539,991</u>	<u>2,685,267</u>
Overseas invested funds included in the figures above:-		
Equities	195,315	189,715
Fixed interest securities	-	-
	<u>195,315</u>	<u>189,715</u>

Listed investments are held 85% in the General fund and 15% in the Lancashire fund, all within unrestricted funds.

11. INVESTMENT PROPERTY

	£
FAIR VALUE	
At 1 April 2022 and 31 March 2023	<u>265,500</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 March 2023	<u>265,500</u>
At 31 March 2022	<u>265,500</u>

The Investment Property is included at an historical valuation from when the property was donated to the Trust. It was valued by a professional surveyor. The property is subject to an Agricultural Tenancy with no succession rights. The Trust as landlord is responsible for repairs.

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

12. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR.

	2023	2022
	£	£
Investment income debtors	5,250	6,986
Other debtors	-	21,250
	<u>5,250</u>	<u>28,236</u>

13. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023	2022
	£	£
Other creditors	4,441	5,540
	<u>4,441</u>	<u>5,540</u>

14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.22	Net movement in funds	Transfers between funds	At 31.3.23
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	2,594,175	(122,526)	(10,243)	2,461,406
Lancashire Designated Fund	456,651	(23,913)	10,243	442,981
	<u>3,050,826</u>	<u>(146,439)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,904,387</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>3,050,826</u>	<u>(146,439)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,904,387</u>

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

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Gains and losses	Movement in funds
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	90,102	(77,125)	(135,503)	(122,526)
Lancashire Designated Fund	-	-	(23,913)	(23,913)
	<u>90,102</u>	<u>(77,125)</u>	<u>(159,416)</u>	<u>(146,439)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>90,102</u>	<u>(77,125)</u>	<u>(159,416)</u>	<u>(146,439)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.21	Net movement in funds	Transfers between funds	At 31.3.22
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	2,417,337	214,278	(37,440)	2,594,175
Lancashire Designated Fund	394,288	24,923	37,440	456,651
	<u>2,811,625</u>	<u>239,201</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,050,826</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>2,811,625</u>	<u>239,201</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,050,826</u>

The CT Thomas Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	184,832	(121,539)	150,985	214,278
Lancashire Designated Fund	-	(1,721)	26,644	24,923
	<u>184,832</u>	<u>(123,260)</u>	<u>177,629</u>	<u>239,201</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>184,832</u>	<u>(123,260)</u>	<u>177,629</u>	<u>239,201</u>

The unrestricted funds are available to be spent for any of the purposes of the charity.
The Lancashire Designated fund is to specifically aid beneficiaries in Lancashire.

Transfers between funds

In a meeting of the trustees held on 15 November 2018 it was agreed that the Lancashire fund would in future be represented by 15% of the total funds both as to income after management costs but before the payment of grants, and investments at their value at each year end. A transfer between funds of £10,243 (2022: £37,440) has been made to achieve this outcome.

15. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

During the year, Mr A J Dale, one of the trustees has been paid £700 for administration services.

There were no other related party transactions.

16. GOING CONCERN

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue and the financial statements have therefore been prepared on a going concern basis.

The trustees have assessed the charity's cash reserves which are sufficient to enable its activities to continue for twelve months without the receipt of any additional funds.

The C T Thomas Trust

England & Wales - Charity number 1036285

Accounts

**Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 March 2022
for
The CT Thomas Trust**

Dyke Ruscoe & Hayes Ltd
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Tenbury Wells
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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2022

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 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

Objectives and aims

The objects of the Trust are to apply the annual income of the Trust Fund to such charities or for such charitable objects, in such shares and in such manner in all respects as the Trustees in their absolute discretion think fit. The charity is constituted as two funds, the General Fund and Lancashire Designated Fund.

It is the present policy of the trustees to make grants to national, international and local charities covering as broad a spectrum of the charitable scene as is possible.

- The beneficiaries of the Trust Fund have changed at various points over the years, while maintaining the spirit of the settlor's original intentions. Grants have been made for the following objects:

- For the advancement of health or saving of lives;
- For the advancement of human rights, equality and diversity;
- For the advancement of citizenship or community development;
- For the advancement of education;
- For the advancement of religion;
- For the prevention or relief of poverty;
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FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

At the year end stock market investments were held of £2,685,267 (2021: £2,392,872) together with investment property valued at £265,500 (2021: £265,500). Cash at bank amounted to £77,363 (2021: £146,383) which covered creditors of £5,540 (2021: £6,927) more than 10 times over. Unrestricted funds available for distribution at the end of the financial year were £3,050,825 (2021: £2,811,625).

Investment policy and objectives

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Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

Any new trustees are recruited and appointed by the existing trustees having considered the skills and experience required.

The CT Thomas Trust

**Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 March 2022**

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Risk management

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1036285

Trustees:

Miss S R Coupe
Mr C Morley
Mr A J Dale
Mr N E Walker
Mrs J V B Newton

Charity's principal address :

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Bankers:

TSB Plc
71 Teme Street
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Solicitors:

Norris and Miles
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Tenbury Wells
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WR15 8BW

Stockbrokers:

EFG Harris Allday
Ground Floor
Beech House
Anchorage Avenue
Shrewsbury Business Park SY2 6FG

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 22 February 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

A J Dale - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
The CT Thomas Trust**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The CT Thomas Trust

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The CT Thomas Trust (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2022.

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').

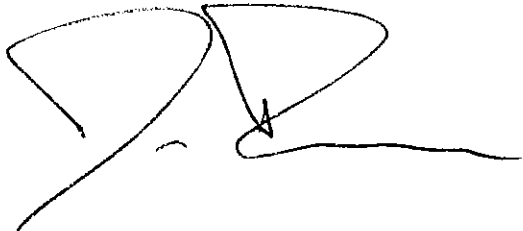
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22 February 2023

The CT Thomas Trust

**Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2022**

		2022 Unrestricted funds £	2021 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	Notes		
Donations and legacies	2	106,250	29,999
Investment income	3	78,582	68,138
Total		<u>184,832</u>	<u>98,137</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	4	16,634	13,978
Charitable activities	5		
Grant funding activities		103,182	39,000
Governance costs		3,444	2,087
Total		<u>123,260</u>	<u>55,065</u>
Net gains on investments		<u>177,629</u>	<u>392,872</u>
NET INCOME		239,201	435,944
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		2,811,625	2,375,681
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>3,050,826</u></u>	<u><u>2,811,625</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

The CT Thomas Trust

**Balance Sheet
31 March 2022**

	Notes	2022 Unrestricted funds £	2021 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS			
Investments			
Investments	10	2,685,267	2,392,872
Investment property	11	265,500	265,500
		<hr/>	<hr/>
		2,950,767	2,658,372
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	12	28,236	13,797
Cash at bank		77,363	146,383
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		105,599	160,180
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	13	(5,540)	(6,927)
		<hr/>	<hr/>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		100,059	153,253
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		3,050,826	2,811,625
NET ASSETS		<hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/>
		3,050,826	2,811,625

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The CT Thomas Trust

Balance Sheet - continued
31 March 2022

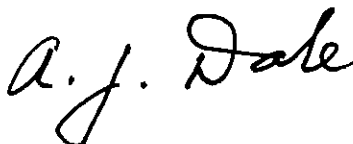
FUNDS	14		
Unrestricted funds		<u>3,050,826</u>	<u>2,811,625</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u><u>3,050,826</u></u>	<u><u>2,811,625</u></u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 22 February 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:

S R Coupe - Trustee



A J Dale - Trustee



N E Walker - Trustee



J V B Newton - Trustee

C Morley - Trustee

**Notes to the Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 March 2022**

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, with the exception of investments which are included at market value.

The most significant areas of uncertainty affecting the carrying value of assets held by the Trust are the level of investment return and the performance of investment markets (see the investment policy and performance and risk management sections of the trustees' annual report for more information).

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.

Investment property

Investment property is shown at most recent valuation. Any aggregate surplus or deficit arising from changes in fair value is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Fixed asset investments

Investments are a form of basic financial instrument. Fixed asset investments are initially recognised at their transaction value and are subsequently measured at their fair value (market value) as at the balance sheet date. The Statement of Financial Activities includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluation and disposals throughout the year. Quoted stocks and shares are included in the Balance Sheet at the current market value quoted by the investment analyst, excluding dividend.

Realised gains and losses

All gains and losses are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities as they arise. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between sales proceeds and opening carrying value (purchase date if later). Unrealised gains and losses are calculated as the difference between the market value at the year end and the opening carrying value (or purchase date if later).

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.

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2022**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Debtors

Debtors are amounts owed to the charity. They are reported on the basis of their recoverable amount.

Cash at bank

Cash at bank and in hand is held to meet the day to day running costs of the charity as they fall due.

Creditors

Creditors are amounts owed by the charity. They are reported at the amount that the charity expects to have to pay to settle the debt.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2022	2021
	£	£
Donations	85,000	29,999
Gift aid	21,250	-
	<u>106,250</u>	<u>29,999</u>

All donations were received from a trustee. The trustees are exercising their statutory exemption not to provide the name of the donor during their lifetime.

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2022	2021
	£	£
Investment income	78,457	67,309
Deposit account interest	125	829
	<u>78,582</u>	<u>68,138</u>

4. RAISING FUNDS

Investment management costs

	2022	2021
	£	£
Portfolio management	15,902	13,378
Property repairs	732	600
	<u>16,634</u>	<u>13,978</u>

The CT Thomas Trust

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2022**

5. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Grant funding of activities (see note 6) £	Support costs (see note 7) £	Totals £
Grant funding activities	103,182	-	103,182
Governance costs	-	3,444	3,444
	<u>103,182</u>	<u>3,444</u>	<u>106,626</u>

6. GRANTS PAYABLE

	2022 £	2021 £
Advancement of health or saving of lives	26,500	10,000
Advancement of human rights, equality and diversity	25,000	500
Advancement of citizenship or community development	-	6,000
Advancement of education	6,500	-
Advancement or religion	-	7,000
Prevention or relief of poverty	5,000	-
Advancement of the arts, culture, heritage or science	4,000	2,000
Gifts for the benefit of a particular locality	10,682	2,500
Relief of those in need by reason of youth, disability or other disadvantage	21,500	7,000
Support of the armed forces of the Crown	4,000	-
Protection of the environment	-	4,000
	<u>103,182</u>	<u>39,000</u>

All grants are made to institutions. The trustees are exercising the statutory exemption to not provide names of recipients during the lifetime of the settlor.

7. SUPPORT COSTS

	Governance costs £
Governance costs	<u>3,444</u>

Governance costs consist of independent examination fees of £685 (2021: £597), accountancy fees of £1,370 (2020: £299) and trustees' remuneration of £1,388 (2021: £1,191).

The CT Thomas Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2022

8. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

During the year, Mr A J Dale, one of the trustees has been paid £1,388 for administration services.

No fees are paid to trustees for normal trustee's duties.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2022 nor for the year ended 31 March 2021.

9. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds £
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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2022**

10. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

Listed investments	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Market value at 31 March 2021	2,392,872	1,967,818
Additions	264,723	202,626
Disposals	(149,957)	(170,444)
Realised gains/(losses) - net	31,127	31,628
Unrealised gains/(losses) - net	146,502	361,244
	<u>2,685,267</u>	<u>2,392,872</u>
Market value at 31 March 2022	<u>2,685,267</u>	<u>2,392,872</u>
Historical cost at 31 March 2022	<u>2,208,398</u>	<u>2,080,654</u>
The additions and disposals of investments during the year are stated after adjusting for stockbroker's costs:-	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Admin charges	300	200
Stock Exchange levy	14	9
Third party charges	-	-
	<u>314</u>	<u>209</u>
Investments at market value comprised:	2022 £	2021 £
Equities	2,282,723	1,899,864
Fixed interest securities	402,544	493,008
	<u>2,685,267</u>	<u>2,392,872</u>
Overseas invested funds included in the figures above:-		
Equities	189,715	163,062
Fixed interest securities	-	-
	<u>187,715</u>	<u>163,062</u>

Listed investments are held 85% in the General fund and 15% in the Lancashire fund, all within unrestricted funds.

11. INVESTMENT PROPERTY

	£
FAIR VALUE	
At 1 April 2021 and 31 March 2022	<u>265,500</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 March 2022	<u>265,500</u>
At 31 March 2021	<u>265,500</u>

The Investment Property is included at an historical valuation from when the property was donated to the Trust. It was valued by a professional surveyor. The property is subject to an Agricultural Tenancy with no succession rights. The Trust as landlord is responsible for repairs.

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2022

12. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2022	2021
	£	£
Investment income debtors	6,986	6,297
Other debtors	21,250	7,500
	<u>28,236</u>	<u>13,797</u>

13. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2022	2021
	£	£
Other creditors	<u>5,540</u>	<u>6,927</u>

14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.21	Net movement in funds	Transfers between funds	At 31.3.22
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	2,417,337	214,278	(37,440)	2,594,175
Lancashire Designated Fund	394,288	24,923	37,440	456,651
	<u>2,811,625</u>	<u>239,201</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,050,826</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>2,811,625</u>	<u>239,201</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,050,826</u>

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

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Gains and losses	Movement in funds
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	184,832	(121,539)	150,985	214,278
Lancashire Designated Fund	-	(1,721)	26,644	24,923
	<u>184,832</u>	<u>(123,260)</u>	<u>177,629</u>	<u>239,201</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>184,832</u>	<u>(123,260)</u>	<u>177,629</u>	<u>239,201</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.20	Net movement in funds	At 31.3.21
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	2,038,324	379,013	2,417,337
Lancashire Designated Fund	337,357	56,931	394,288
	<u>2,375,681</u>	<u>435,944</u>	<u>2,811,625</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>2,375,681</u>	<u>435,944</u>	<u>2,811,625</u>

The CT Thomas Trust

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2022**

14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	98,137	(53,065)	333,941	379,013
Lancashire Designated Fund	-	(2,000)	58,931	56,931
	<u>98,137</u>	<u>(55,065)</u>	<u>392,872</u>	<u>435,944</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>98,137</u>	<u>(55,065)</u>	<u>392,872</u>	<u>435,944</u>

The unrestricted funds are available to be spent for any of the purposes of the charity.
The Lancashire Designated fund is to specifically aid beneficiaries in Lancashire.

Transfers between funds

In a meeting of the trustees held on 15 November 2018 it was agreed that the Lancashire fund would in future be represented by 15% of the total funds both as to income after management costs but before the payment of grants, and investments at their value at each year end. A transfer between funds of £25,129 (2021: £nil) has been made to achieve this outcome.

15. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

All donations were received from a trustee.

16. GOING CONCERN

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue and the financial statements have therefore been prepared on a going concern basis.

The trustees have assessed the charity's cash reserves which are sufficient to enable its activities to continue for twelve months without the receipt of any additional funds.

The C T Thomas Trust

England & Wales - Charity number 1036285

Accounts

Please sign and return

**Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 March 2021
for
The CT Thomas Trust**

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The CT Thomas Trust

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for the Year Ended 31 March 2021**

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2021

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 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

Objectives and aims

The objects of the Trust are to apply the annual income of the Trust Fund to such charities or for such charitable objects, in such shares and in such manner in all respects as the Trustees in their absolute discretion think fit. The charity is constituted as two funds, the General Fund and Lancashire Designated Fund.

It is the present policy of the trustees to make grants to national, international and local charities covering as broad a spectrum of the charitable scene as is possible.

- The beneficiaries of the Trust Fund have changed at various points over the years, while maintaining the spirit of the settlor's original intentions. Grants have been made for the following objects:

- For the advancement of health or saving of lives;
- For the advancement of human rights, equality and diversity;
- For the advancement of citizenship or community development;
- For the advancement of education;
- For the advancement of religion;
- For the prevention or relief of poverty;
- For the advancement of the arts, culture, heritage or science;
- For local charitable purposes;
- For relief of those in need by reason of youth, disability or other disadvantage; and
- For support of the armed forces of the Crown.
- Protection of the environment

The objects of the Lancashire Designated Fund are as for the General Fund but to aid beneficiaries within the Lancashire area.

The trustees are also empowered in their absolute discretion to distribute such of the Trust Fund as is deemed necessary and desirable in the same terms as the income of the Trust. At the present time the policy of the trustees is not to distribute the capital of the Trust Fund except in exceptional circumstances.

Public benefit

The trustees confirm that they have taken the need for public benefit into account when reviewing the Trust's aims and objects and in setting out the grant making policies. The trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and confirm that every effort is made to ensure that donations made are for the public benefit.

The positive social impact anticipated from each grant is considered before a grant is awarded, and monitored. This enables trustees to be confident that the charity has, through its wide range of grantees, achieved significant public benefit for a number of vulnerable groups across the UK.

A diverse range of public benefit is provided by the many charities supported each year, as they work to alleviate need and distress, and help people lead more fulfilling lives.

The CT Thomas Trust

Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2021

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Grantmaking

The charity aims to fulfil its objects by providing a sustainable and growing grant-making programme, supporting a wide variety of charitable projects and organisations across the UK.

The trustees regard themselves as a broad, generalist and predominantly reactive grant maker, with a policy of selecting the best projects from applications received in order to achieve the maximum possible beneficial social impact.

To ensure a good level of social impact the trustees prefer to fund organisations which have real difficulty getting funding elsewhere and which demonstrate evidence of effective work meeting a compelling need. For this reason many of the grants are to fund smaller organisations and those without public appeal.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

During the year ended 31 March 2021 total income amounted to £98,137 (2020: £469,253) which included donations and gift aid of £29,999 (2020: £398,022). Distributions totalling £39,000 (2020: £77,050) were made to various charities and £16,065 (2020: £17,668) was used to defray expenses.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

At the year end stock market investments were held of £2,392,872 (2020: £1,967,819) together with investment property valued at £265,500 (2020: £265,500). Cash at bank amounted to £146,383 (2020: £34,831) which covered creditors of £6,927 (2020: £4,540) more than twenty times over. Unrestricted funds available for distribution at the end of the financial year were £2,811,625 (2020: £2,375,681).

Investment policy and objectives

The investment assets are the primary funding source for the charity, so the performance of investments over the long-term is vitally important to the long-term sustainability of the charity, and the impact it can make through the grants it awards.

The charity operates a total return approach to investment, with power to spend income and/or capital.

The charity has power under its Scheme to invest in stocks, shares, funds, securities and other property. The Trustees have appointed professional investment advisors, who in particular advise on investment policy and strategy, asset allocation and the performance of managers.

The investment portfolio has the primary long term objective of maximising sustainable spending from the portfolio in order to support grant-making.

Reserves policy

Given the objectives and aims set out above the trustees consider that there is no need for a reserves policy.

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Date:

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EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	4	13,978	13,960
Charitable activities	5		
Grant funding activities		39,000	77,050
Governance costs		2,087	3,688
Other		-	20
Total		<u>55,065</u>	<u>94,718</u>
Net gains/(losses) on investments		392,872	(306,730)
NET INCOME		<u>435,944</u>	<u>67,805</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		2,375,681	2,307,876
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>2,811,625</u></u>	<u><u>2,375,681</u></u>

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**Balance Sheet
31 March 2021**

	Notes	2021 Unrestricted funds £	2020 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS			
Investments			
Investments	10	2,392,872	1,967,819
Investment property	11	265,500	265,500
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		2,658,372	2,233,319
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	12	13,797	112,071
Cash at bank		146,383	34,831
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		160,180	146,902
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	13	(6,927)	(4,540)
		<hr/>	<hr/>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		153,253	142,362
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TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		2,811,625	2,375,681
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NET ASSETS		<u>2,811,625</u>	<u>2,375,681</u>

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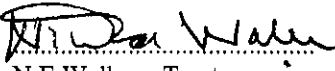
Balance Sheet - continued
31 March 2021

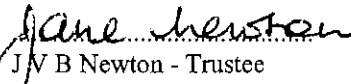
FUNDS	14		
Unrestricted funds		<u>2,811,625</u>	<u>2,375,681</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u><u>2,811,625</u></u>	<u><u>2,375,681</u></u>

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


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S R Coupe - Trustee


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A J Dale - Trustee


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N E Walker - Trustee


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J V B Newton - Trustee

Notes to the Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 March 2021

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, with the exception of investments which are included at market value.

The most significant areas of uncertainty affecting the carrying value of assets held by the Trust are the level of investment return and the performance of investment markets (see the investment policy and performance and risk management sections of the trustees' annual report for more information).

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.

Investment property

Investment property is shown at most recent valuation. Any aggregate surplus or deficit arising from changes in fair value is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Fixed asset investments

Investments are a form of basic financial instrument. Fixed asset investments are initially recognised at their transaction value and are subsequently measured at their fair value (market value) as at the balance sheet date. The Statement of Financial Activities includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluation and disposals throughout the year. Quoted stocks and shares are included in the Balance Sheet at the current market value quoted by the investment analyst, excluding dividend.

Realised gains and losses

All gains and losses are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities as they arise. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between sales proceeds and opening carrying value (purchase date if later). Unrealised gains and losses are calculated as the difference between the market value at the year end and the opening carrying value (or purchase date if later).

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.

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2021

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Debtors

Debtors are amounts owed to the charity. They are reported on the basis of their recoverable amount.

Cash at bank

Cash at bank and in hand is held to meet the day to day running costs of the charity as they fall due.

Creditors

Creditors are amounts owed by the charity. They are reported at the amount that the charity expects to have to pay to settle the debt.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2021	2020
	£	£
Donations	29,999	348,022
Gift aid	-	50,000
	<u>29,999</u>	<u>398,022</u>

All donations were received from a trustee. The trustees are exercising their statutory exemption not to provide the name of the donor during their lifetime.

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2021	2020
	£	£
Investment income	67,309	70,893
Deposit account interest	829	338
	<u>68,138</u>	<u>71,231</u>

4. RAISING FUNDS

Investment management costs

	2021	2020
	£	£
Portfolio management	13,378	13,501
Property repairs	600	459
	<u>13,978</u>	<u>13,960</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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5. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Grant funding of activities (see note 6) £	Support costs (see note 7) £	Totals £
Grant funding activities	39,000	-	39,000
Governance costs	-	2,087	2,087
	<u>39,000</u>	<u>2,087</u>	<u>41,087</u>

6. GRANTS PAYABLE

	2021 £	2020 £
Advancement of health or saving of lives	10,000	5,500
Advancement of human rights, equality and diversity	500	30,000
Advancement of citizenship or community development	6,000	5,000
Advancement of education	-	1,500
Advancement or religion	7,000	250
Prevention or relief of poverty	-	7,000
Advancement of the arts, culture, heritage or science	2,000	2,000
Gifts for the benefit of a particular locality	2,500	300
Relief of those in need by reason of youth, disability or other disadvantage	7,000	22,500
Support of the armed forces of the Crown	-	3,000
Protection of the environment	4,000	-
	<u>39,000</u>	<u>77,050</u>

All grants are made to institutions. The trustees are exercising the statutory exemption to not provide names of recipients during the lifetime of the settlor.

7. SUPPORT COSTS

	Governance costs £
Governance costs	<u>2,087</u>

Governance costs consist of independent examination fees of £597 (2020: £2,459), accountancy fees of £299 (2020: £1,229) and trustees' remuneration of £1,191 (2020: £Nil).

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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8. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

During the year, Mr A J Dale, one of the trustees has been paid £1,191 for administration services.

No fees are paid to trustees for normal trustee's duties.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2021 nor for the year ended 31 March 2020.

9. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	
Donations and legacies	398,022
Investment income	71,231
Total	<u>469,253</u>
EXPENDITURE ON	
Raising funds	13,960
Charitable activities	
Grant funding activities	77,050
Governance costs	3,688
Other	20
Total	<u>94,718</u>
Net gains/(losses) on investments	<u>(306,730)</u>
NET INCOME	67,805
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS	
Total funds brought forward	2,307,876
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u><u>2,375,681</u></u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2021

10. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

Listed investments	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Market value at 31 March 2020	1,967,818	1,924,307
Additions	202,626	837,423
Disposals	(170,444)	(487,183)
Realised gains/(losses) - net	31,628	101
Unrealised gains/(losses) - net	361,244	(306,830)
Market value at 31 March 2021	<u>2,392,872</u>	<u>1,967,818</u>

Historical cost at 31 March 2021	<u>2,080,654</u>	<u>2,137,934</u>
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The additions and disposals of investments during the year are stated after adjusting for stockbroker's costs:-	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Admin charges	200	560
Stock Exchange levy	9	20
Third party charges	-	87
	<u>209</u>	<u>667</u>

Investments at market value comprised:	2021 £	2020 £
Equities	1,899,864	1,525,313
Fixed interest securities	493,008	442,505
	<u>2,392,872</u>	<u>1,967,818</u>

Overseas invested funds included in the figures above:-		
Equities	163,062	153,534
Fixed interest securities	-	-
	<u>163,062</u>	<u>153,534</u>

Listed investments are held 85% in the General fund and 15% in the Lancashire fund, all within unrestricted funds.

11. INVESTMENT PROPERTY

FAIR VALUE

At 1 April 2020
and 31 March 2021

£
265,500

NET BOOK VALUE

At 31 March 2021

265,500

At 31 March 2020

265,500

The Investment Property is included at an historical valuation from when the property was donated to the Trust. It was valued by a professional surveyor. The property is subject to an Agricultural Tenancy with no succession rights. The Trust as landlord is responsible for repairs.

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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12. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2021	2020
	£	£
Investment income debtors	6,297	8,321
Other debtors	7,500	103,750
	<u>13,797</u>	<u>112,071</u>

13. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2021	2020
	£	£
Other creditors	6,927	4,540
	<u>6,927</u>	<u>4,540</u>

14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.20	Net movement in funds	At 31.3.21
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	2,038,324	379,013	2,417,337
Lancashire Designated Fund	337,357	56,931	394,288
	<u>2,375,681</u>	<u>435,944</u>	<u>2,811,625</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>2,375,681</u>	<u>435,944</u>	<u>2,811,625</u>

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

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Gains and losses	Movement in funds
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	98,137	(53,065)	333,941	379,013
Lancashire Designated Fund	-	(2,000)	58,931	56,931
	<u>98,137</u>	<u>(55,065)</u>	<u>392,872</u>	<u>435,944</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>98,137</u>	<u>(55,065)</u>	<u>392,872</u>	<u>435,944</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.19	Net movement in funds	Transfers between funds	At 31.3.20
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	1,985,247	120,815	(67,738)	2,038,324
Lancashire Designated Fund	322,629	(53,010)	67,738	337,357
	<u>2,307,876</u>	<u>67,805</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,375,681</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>2,307,876</u>	<u>67,805</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,375,681</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	469,253	(87,718)	(260,720)	120,815
Lancashire Designated Fund	-	(7,000)	(46,010)	(53,010)
	<u>469,253</u>	<u>(94,718)</u>	<u>(306,730)</u>	<u>67,805</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>469,253</u>	<u>(94,718)</u>	<u>(306,730)</u>	<u>67,805</u>

The unrestricted funds are available to be spent for any of the purposes of the charity.
The Lancashire Designated fund is to specifically aid beneficiaries in Lancashire.

15. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

All donations were received from a trustee.

16. GOING CONCERN

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue and the financial statements have therefore been prepared on a going concern basis.

The trustees have assessed the charity's cash reserves which are sufficient to enable its activities to continue for twelve months without the receipt of any additional funds.