

Charity Registration No. 1039663

ALICE NOAKES MEMORIAL CHARITABLE TRUST
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

ALICE NOAKES MEMORIAL CHARITABLE TRUST

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees	DW Whipps JF Hulme S Van Poucke N Oldacre LJ Bensusan M Cornell	(Appointed 13 July 2023)
Charity number	1039663	
Principal address	Bocking End Braintree Essex CM7 9AJ	
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TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

The Trustees present their annual report and the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 of the accounts and comply with the charity's trust deed, the Charities Act 2011 and 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.

Objectives and activities

The object of the Trust is the advancement of animal welfare through the making of grants to appropriate institutions and individuals.

The terms of the Trust are such that the Trustees have wide discretionary powers for the distribution of capital and income.

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Trust's aims and objectives and setting the grant making policy for the year.

The Trust carries out these objects by:

- a) Funding research, teaching, treatment and care related to the advancement of animal welfare. The Trust funds the acquisition of medical and other equipment that will further the objects of the charity.
- b) Funding individuals, including bursaries to students, where the individual's area of interest furthers the objects of the charity.

The Trustees seek to identify projects and individuals worthy of support at their annual meetings. The Trustees set no maximum or minimum level of grant. Applications for grants fitting the Trust's objectives should be sent to the Trustees at the charity's registered office.

Achievements and performance

The Trustees assess the achievements of the objectives of the Trust against certain benchmarks which have been agreed by the Trustees. These benchmarks are:

- i) maintenance of capital and income levels;
- ii) maintenance of administration cost levels;
- iii) maintenance of funding in terms of numbers of organisations and the total amount of money given; and
- iv) maintenance of funding in terms of diversity of organisations funded.

This year the Trust has seen an increase in its income levels and a decrease in overall costs. During the year to 31 March 2024 grants totalling £61,500 (2023: £80,550) were made to 29 institutions (2023: 31 institutions) concerned with animal welfare. The Trust has maintained the diversity of the organisations it has funded during the year - see note 8.

The Trust receives dividends from a listed share portfolio and interest on money held on deposit. Total income generated during the year was £74,098 (2023: £47,800).

The results for the year are set out in the statement of financial activities on page 6.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

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Financial review

The ability of the Trust to make grants is dependent upon its investment income arising from its equity investments, which comprise the bulk of its reserves. These reserves are, therefore, necessary to support the programme of grants at the level the Trustees have chosen to provide.

The Trust had total reserves at 31 March 2024 of £3,331,266 (2023: £3,135,375), of which £20,011 (2023: £37,390) was distributable at the year end.

Reverend HI Noakes' estate was invested in equity investments. These are managed by the investment advisors Brewin Dolphin, the aim being to maximise capital growth and dividend income to support future grant payments.

The market value of the investments at 31 March 2024 was £3,311,255 (2023: £3,101,985).

The level of reserves required have been set at 6 months of total expenditure which is £51,861.

Structure, governance and management

The Alice Noakes Memorial Charitable Trust is registered with the Charity Commission with a registration number of 1039663.

The Trust is recognised as a charitable trust by HM Revenue and Customs within the definitions of S506 ICTA 1988 resulting in a tax exemption for income and gains.

The address of the principal office of the charity and the names of the Trustees are shown on the information page.

The Trust was created under the will of the late Reverend HI Noakes who died on 28 September 1993.

The administration period of the estate of Reverend HI Noakes was completed on 5 May 1995 at which date the residue of the estate was transferred to the Trustees of the Alice Noakes Memorial Charitable Trust.

New Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Trust Deed. The Trustees meet twice yearly and all decisions are reached by unanimous agreement.

The Trustees have considered the major risks to which the charity is exposed and have reviewed those risks and established procedures to manage those risks.

The Trustees consider the risk of loss to capital and the risk of a fall in income to be the charity's major financial risks. The recent volatility in world stock markets has demonstrated these risks.

To manage these risks the Trust's investments are managed by professional investment managers. Those managers are subject to ongoing review. They provide quarterly valuations and are asked to attend at least one of the Trustees' meetings every year to provide a verbal review of the Trust's investments.

The Trustees' investment policy aims to maximise capital and income and, in the interests of preserving capital and the charity's long term contribution to animal welfare, the Trustees look to matching their grant making and other expenditure with the Trust income.

The Trustees consider their main operational risk to be the extent to which the grants they make effectively promote animal welfare and advance knowledge and practice in the care of animals, both in this country and abroad.

The Trustees manage this risk by retaining Trustees with sufficient skill and expertise to participate in considering all grant applications, considering reports provided by successful applicants and the Trustees' inspection of projects funded.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

The Trustees who served during the year were as follows:

DW Whipps

JH Simpson

(resigned 13 July 2023)

JF Hulme

M Cornell

N Oldacre

LJ Bensusan

M Cornell

(appointed 13 July 2023)

Plans for the Future

The Trustees have discussed plans for the future. Their plans for the future are to continue achieving the objects of the Trust as it is, maintaining the level of capital growth and the level of diversity of support it currently provides to the animal world.

The Trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.



M Cornell

Dated: 15 / 11 / 24

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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that year.

In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping sufficient accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF ALICE NOAKES MEMORIAL CHARITABLE TRUST

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the accounts of Alice Noakes Memorial Charitable Trust (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2024.

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in this report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permissible by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees as a body, for my work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act).

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

An independent examination does not involve gathering all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently does not cover all the matters that an auditor considers in giving their opinion on the financial statements. The planning and conduct of an audit goes beyond the limited assurance that an independent examination can provide. Consequently I express no opinion as to whether the financial statements present a 'true and fair' view and my report is limited to those specific matters set out in the independent examiner's statement.

Independent examiner's statement

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

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements 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 financial statements to be reached.

Janine Mansfield
Rickard Luckin Limited



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Dated: 15/11/24

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
Income from:			
Investments	3	74,098	47,800
Expenditure on:			
Raising funds	4	19,847	20,047
<u>Charitable activities</u>			
Charitable expenditure	5	84,375	99,959
Total expenditure		104,222	120,006
Net gains/(losses) on investments	11	225,515	(161,871)
Net income/(expenditure) and movement in funds		195,391	(234,077)
Reconciliation of funds:			
Fund balances at 1 April 2023		3,135,375	3,369,452
Fund balances at 31 March 2024		3,330,766	3,135,375

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	2024 £	£	2023 £	£
Fixed assets					
Investments	12		3,311,255		3,101,985
Current assets					
Cash at bank and in hand		40,814		51,633	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	13	21,303		18,243	
Net current assets			19,511		33,390
Total assets less current liabilities			3,330,766		3,135,375
The funds of the charity					
Unrestricted funds			3,330,766		3,135,375
			3,330,766		3,135,375

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 5/9/24.

M Cornell

M Cornell
Trustee

ALICE NOAKES MEMORIAL CHARITABLE TRUST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Alice Noakes Memorial Charitable Trust is a registered Trust with the Charity Commission with a registration number of 1039663.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") and the Charities SORP "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). The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain financial instruments at fair value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors or grantors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Endowment funds are subject to specific conditions by donors that the capital must be maintained by the charity.

1.4 Incoming resources

Incoming resources relates to that generated from the investments held during the year in the form of interest and dividends. The income is recognised on an accruals basis.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

1.5 Resources expended

Charitable activities comprising of grants payable:

Direct charitable expenditure relates to grants paid to institutions and individuals where the main concern is the welfare of animals. These are recognised in the financial statements when a commitment is made.

Other costs:

Other costs relate to administration costs and investment management fees. These are accounted for on an accruals basis.

Governance costs are accounted for on an accruals basis and include costs of the preparation and examination of the financial statements and the cost of any advice given to the Trustees on governance or constitutional matters.

1.6 Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments are initially measured at transaction price excluding transaction costs, and are subsequently measured at market value at each reporting date. Any unrealised gains or losses are included in the Statement of Financial Activities.

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 historic cost. Unrealised gains and losses are calculated as the difference between market value at the year end and opening market value (or purchase date if later). Realised and unrealised investment gains and losses are combined in the Statement of Financial Activities.

1.7 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

1.8 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include investments, debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

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2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

3 Income from investments

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
Income from listed investments	74,044	47,793
Interest receivable	54	7
	<u>74,098</u>	<u>47,800</u>

4 Raising funds

	2024 £	2023 £
<u>Costs of raising funds</u>		
Investment management costs	19,847	20,047
	<u>19,847</u>	<u>20,047</u>
For the year ended 31 March 2023		
Costs of raising funds		<u>20,047</u>

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5 Charitable activities

	Charitable Expenditure 2024 £	Charitable Expenditure 2023 £
Grants payable	61,500	80,550
Share of support costs (see note 6)	13,561	11,403
Share of governance costs (see note 6)	9,314	8,006
	<u>84,375</u>	<u>99,959</u>

6 Support costs

	Support costs £	Governance costs £	2024 Support costs £	Governance costs £	2023 £
Legal fees and disbursements	13,561	2,393	15,954	11,403	13,415
Accountancy fees	-	6,921	6,921	-	5,994
	<u>13,561</u>	<u>9,314</u>	<u>22,875</u>	<u>11,403</u>	<u>19,409</u>
Analysed between Charitable activities	<u>13,561</u>	<u>9,314</u>	<u>22,875</u>	<u>11,403</u>	<u>19,409</u>

Expenditure includes fees to the accountants for the independent examination of £6,804 (2023 - £5,994).
Accrued fees for 2024 are £6,464.

7 Trustees

None of the Trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year. Legal fees and disbursements totalling £8,615 (2023: £7,200) were paid to Holmes and Hills, solicitors, a firm in which DWG Whipps is a consultant. £7,700 (2023: £6,120) has been reflected within administration costs under charitable activities in this financial year. There was a further £8,254 (2023: £8,615) payable as at the year end. Mark Cornell was appointed trustee on 13.07.2023. Mark Cornell is a partner of Holmes & Hills LLP, solicitors acting for the trust. No charge is made for any activities carried out by Mark on behalf of the trust.

During the year 1 trustee was reimbursed travel costs totaling £117 (2023 - £nil).

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8 Grants payable

	2024	2023
	£	£
<u>Grants to institutions:</u>		
Angels for Animals Foundation	2,000	-
Animals Asia	-	1,500
Aware Trust	-	3,000
Bulldog Rescue and Rehoming Trust	1,500	1,500
CamVet (University of Cambridge)	-	20,000
Care4Cats (formerly Friends of DUO)	-	3,000
Cetacean Research	1,500	1,000
Cat Welfare Group	1,500	-
Clymping Dog Sanctuary	-	1,500
Costa Blanca Feral Cat Trust	1,500	1,500
Fauna & Flora	-	1,000
Flori's Friends Rescue	1,500	-
Forever Hounds Trust	1,500	1,000
Four Paws	-	5,000
Freshfields Animal Rescue	1,500	1,500
The Gambia Horse & Donkey Trust	1,500	-
Gorilla Organisation	-	3,000
Greyhound Rescue	-	1,000
Help In suffering (UK)	-	1,500
Iberian Lynx Project (LPN)	-	1,500
International Aid for the Protection & Welfare of Animals (IAWPA)	1,500	1,500
International Animal Rescue	-	1,500
International Otter Survivor Fund (IOSF)	1,500	1,500
Kotor Kitties	1,500	1,500
Lamu Animal Welfare Clinic	-	1,500
Langford Trust	-	13,000
LPN	1,500	-
Mdzananda Animal clinic	1,500	1,500
Nowzad	1,500	-
Oak Trees Animals Charity	2,000	-
Orangutan Appeal UK	2,000	-
Owls & Birds of Prey Rescue	1,000	-
Pet Fostering Service Scotland	1,500	-
Pets Lifeline	-	1,000
Prickles Hedgehog Rescue	1,500	-
Rain Rescue	2,000	-
RVC Animal Care Trust	7,500	-
RZSS	10,000	2,000
Safe Haven for Donkeys in the Holy Land	-	1,000
Save Me Trust	-	1,050
Scottish Wildcats	-	1,500
Suffolk Punch Trust	3,500	-
The Barn Owl Trust	2,000	1,000
Tree of Life for animals (TOLFA)	-	1,500
Welcome to Our Future	-	1,000
Worldwide Veterinary Service	1,000	-
Wild at Heart Foundation	2,000	-
	<u>59,000</u>	<u>80,550</u>

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8	Grants payable	(Continued)	
	<u>Grants to individuals:</u>		
	Michelle Garrod	500	-
	Madeleine Southern	2,000	-
	Total grants payable	61,500	80,550
9	Taxation		
	The charity is exempt from taxation on its activities because all its income is applied for charitable purposes.		
10	Employees		
	There were no employees during the year (2023: 0)		
11	Gains and losses on investments		
		Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
		2024	2023
	Gains/(losses) arising on:	£	£
	Sale of investments	225,515	(161,871)
12	Fixed asset investments		
			Listed investments
	Cost or valuation		£
	At 1 April 2023		3,101,985
	Additions		285,363
	Valuation changes		234,981
	Disposals		(311,074)
	At 31 March 2024		3,311,255
	Carrying amount		
	At 31 March 2024		3,311,255
	At 31 March 2023		3,101,985
13	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		
		2024	2023
		£	£
	Trade creditors	21,303	18,243

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14 Unrestricted funds

The unrestricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants which are not subject to specific conditions by donors and grantors as to how they may be used. These include designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes.

	At 1 April 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	At 31 March 2024 £
General funds	3,135,375	74,098	(104,222)	225,515	3,330,766
Previous year:	At 1 April 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	At 31 March 2023 £
General funds	3,369,452	47,800	(120,006)	(161,871)	3,135,375

15 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Fund balances at 31 March 2024 are represented by:	
Investments	3,311,255
Current assets/(liabilities)	19,511
	3,330,766
	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
Fund balances at 31 March 2023 are represented by:	
Investments	3,101,985
Current assets/(liabilities)	33,390
	3,135,375