

THE SPEAR CHARITABLE TRUST

REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 DECEMBER 2020

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THE SPEAR CHARITABLE TRUST
LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER	:	1041568
CURRENT TRUSTEES	:	Philip N Harris
		Francis A Spear (Deceased 13 December 2020)
		Hazel E Spear (Secretary)
		Nigel R N Gooch
ADMINISTRATOR	:	Flora Gaughan (01992-305229)
REGISTERED OFFICE	:	Roughground House Old Hall Green Ware Hertfordshire SG11 1HB
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	:	Mrs Jacqui Lee Foster 31 Gellatly Road London SE14 5TU
SOLICITORS	:	Longmores Solicitors LLP 24 Castle Street Hertford SG14 1HP
INVESTMENT ADVISERS	:	Brewin Dolphin 12 Smithfield Street London EC1A 9BD
BANKERS	:	HSBC Bank plc 31 Holborn London EC1N 2HR

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

The trustees present their report along with the financial statements of the trust for the year ended 31 December 2020. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the trust deed, applicable law and the requirements of the Charities SORP (FRSSE) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (the FRSSE) (effective 1 January 2015).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The trust receives no income other than dividends, interest and any profits on sale arising from its investments. These monies are applied for the purpose of distributing monies to or for such charitable purpose or purposes or institution or institutions as the trustees shall in their absolute discretion think fit, with particular regard to charitable assistance of employees and former employees of J W Spear and Sons plc and the family and dependants of such employees and former employees.

The trustees have had regard to the Charity Commissioners' guidance on public benefit. They consider that the grants made by the fund fulfil the public benefit requirement.

The trustees will make grants without a formal application but organisations are encouraged to provide feedback on the use made of grants. These explanations are then used to monitor the quality of grants made and to provide the basis on which any further applications can be assessed.

The trustees intend to continue to provide grants in the areas currently supported and to monitor the use of donated funds to maximise the benefits provided.

The present policy of the trustees is to retain an investment portfolio to generate sufficient income to effectively maintain a constructive programme of charitable donations while researching opportunities to make further major grants. Current reserves of £3,946,703 are sufficient to satisfy these objectives.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The trust was established by deed on 8 July 1994 and is based in the UK at the registered office shown on page 1.

The power to appoint any new trustee is vested in the existing trustees (all of whom served throughout the year) whose names are set out on page 1.

The trustees conduct a risk assessment annually to review the major risks faced by the trust and to ensure that they have a sound knowledge of the charity and are in an informed position regarding its operations.

The trustees have a general power of investment and have agreed to delegate the management of available funds to their investment advisers subject to no one equity investment representing more than 5% of the overall portfolio valuation.

The trustees have adopted a medium risk investment strategy to maintain a balanced approach between income earned and capital appreciation.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

During the year the trust has been able to sustain its support to beneficiaries by utilising the continuing returns in investment income and surpluses on sales of investments.

The charitable trust meets its charitable purposes by providing grants and donations in accordance with the charitable objects of the trust.

A summary of the grants and donations made by the trust is set out on pages 8 to 11.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

There was an overall decrease in funds of £619,174 (2019 - increase £257,608) after accounting for profits on investment assets of £79,622 (2019 – £574,830)

The assets of the trust are predominantly an investment portfolio and regular meetings are held with the investment advisers.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES IN RELATION TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements that give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity at the end of the financial year and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for the financial year. In doing so the trustees are required to: -

- a Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- b Observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP (FRSSE);
- c Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- d State whether applicable UK accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- e Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue to operate.

The trustees are also responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with relevant legislation. The trustees 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.

So far as the trustees are aware there is no relevant information of which the trust's independent examiner is unaware, and the trustees have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as trustees in order to make themselves aware of any relevant information and to establish that the trust's independent examiner is aware of that information.

Approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:



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17 May 2021

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE
TRUSTEES OF THE SPEAR CHARITABLE TRUST

I report on the financial statements of the trust for the year ended 31 December 2020 which are set out on pages 5 to 15.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

As described on page 3 the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the trustees' annual report and financial statements. You consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act, to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the financial statements present a "true and fair" view.

The report is made solely to the trustees for and is limited to those matters set out in the statement below. To the fullest extent permitted by law I do not accept or assume responsibility to any one other than the trustees for my work, for this report or for the opinions I have formed.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

In connection with my examination nothing has come to my attention:

- a which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect requirements
- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act 2011; and
 - to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act 2011
- have not been met; or
- b to which in my opinion attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

Mrs Jacqui Lee Foster
31 Gellatly Road
London
SE14 5TU

27 May 2021

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

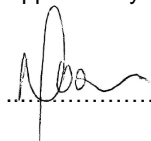
	<u>Note</u>	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u> <u>2020</u> £	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u> <u>2019</u> £
<u>INCOME FROM:</u>			
Investments	2	110,911	155,838
Grant returned		7,500	-
		<u>118,411</u>	<u>155,838</u>
<u>EXPENDITURE ON:</u>			
RAISING FUNDS			
Investment manager's fees		20,743	23,447
Irrecoverable VAT thereon		4,148	4,689
		24,891	28,136
CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES			
Grants and donations	3	783,079	415,282
OTHER	4	9,237	29,642
<u>TOTAL</u>		<u>817,207</u>	<u>473,060</u>
<u>NET (EXPENDITURE)</u>		(698,796)	(317,222)
<u>OTHER RECOGNISED GAINS</u>			
Gains on investment assets	8	79,622	574,830
<u>NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</u>		(619,174)	257,608
<u>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</u>			
Total funds brought forward		4,565,877	4,308,269
<u>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</u>		<u>3,946,703</u>	<u>4,565,877</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

THE SPEAR CHARITABLE TRUST
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
		£	£
<u>FIXED ASSETS</u>			
Investments	8	3,879,961	4,604,000
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>			
Debtors	5	52,941	33,652
Cash at bank and in hand		50,899	7,821
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		103,840	41,473
<u>LIABILITIES</u>			
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	6	(37,098)	(79,596)
<u>NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)</u>		66,742	(38,123)
<u>TOTAL NET ASSETS</u>		3,946,703	4,565,877
<u>THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY</u>			
Unrestricted funds		3,946,703	4,565,877

Approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by

 Trustee

17 May 2021

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NOTES FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

1 PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting Convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the valuation of investments at market value and in accordance with the requirements of the Charities SORP (FRSSE) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (the FRSSE) (effective 1 January 2015).

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows: -

Income

Investment income and interest received

Income is recognised in the period in which the charity is entitled to receipt and the amount can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Expenditure

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. Costs to manage and administer the charity represent costs incurred attributable to the management of the charity's assets, organisation, administration and compliance with the constitutional and statutory requirements.

Fund accounting

Funds held by the charity are unrestricted general funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees.

Value added tax

The trust has charitable status and is therefore unable to recover VAT within its governance costs. The trustees consider that the incidence of the indirect tax should be highlighted.

2 INVESTMENTS

Deposit interest

Investment income from quoted investments

<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
£	£
37	86
110,874	155,752
<u>110,911</u>	<u>155,838</u>

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	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
	£	£
3 <u>CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES</u> - Grants and Donations		
All Saints PCC (Bells Appeal)	-	10,000
Battersea Dogs and Cats Home	-	1,000
Beds, Cambs and Northants Wildlife Trust	-	2,500
Bletchley Park Trust	-	20,000
Blue Cross	-	5,000
British Hen Welfare Trust	-	2,500
Butterfly Conservation Scotland	-	2,500
Camphill Village Trust	-	10,000
Carers Trust	-	2,500
Centre for Reproductive and Genetic Health	-	2,300
Compassion in World Farming	-	2,500
Cure Parkinson's Trust	,-	5,000
Dancing for Wellbeing	-	5,000
Derbyshire Wildlife Trust	-	2,000
Demelza House Children's Hospice	-	5,000
Doctor Graham's Homes	4,500	-
Douglas Bader Foundation	-	2,500
Earth Trust	-	5,000
EP Youth	-	4,500
Exmoor Search and Rescue	-	2,500
Farplace Animal Rescue	-	6,000
Franconi Anaemia Leukaemia – Children with Cancer UK	-	2,250
Freshfields Animal Rescue	-	2,500
Green End Fundraisers	-	5,300
Greyhound Compassion	-	1,750
Harpenden Lions Club	-	2,500
Headway Thames Valley	-	2,500
Carried forward	4,500	115,100

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	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
	£	£
3 <u>CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES</u> – Grants and Donations		
Brought forward	4,500	115,100
Hertford Choral Society	-	2,500
Hertfordshire and Middlesex Wildlife Trust	-	2,500
Horniman Museum and Gardens	-	2,500
Interactive Stroke Support	-	2,500
International Otter Survival Fund	-	2,500
Jewish Care	-	10,000
Jordainian YMCA	-	2,000
Juvenile Diabetes Research Trust	-	2,500
London Air Ambulance	-	2,500
London Wildlife Trust	-	2,000
Lord Whisky Sanctuary	-	1,000
Marine Conservation Society	-	2,500
Mayhew Animal Home	-	2,500
Mexico - Red Balloon Foundation and Amore Ministries	-	2,000
Michael Roberts Charitable Trust	-	2,500
MIND	-	1,000
National Animal Welfare Trust	-	2,500
Nowzad UK	-	2,500
Pekinese Rescue	1,000	2,500
Pepper Foundation	-	2,500
PETA	-	2,500
Prickles Hedgehog Rescue	-	2,500
React	-	2,500
Re-Cycle	-	5,000
Redwings Horse Sanctuary	-	5,000
Respite Association	-	2,500
Carried forward	5,500	188,100

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	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
	£	£
3 <u>CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES</u> – Grants and Donations		
Brought forward	5,500	188,100
Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital	-	2,500
Royal Osteoporosis Society	-	2,500
Royal Philatelic Society London	750,000	20,000
Salvation Army	2,500	4,500
Scottish Seabird Centre	-	2,500
Sense	-	2,500
Sick Children's Trust	-	2,500
Something to Look Forward To	-	2,500
Soil Association	-	75,000
SPANNA	-	2,500
Stamp Active Network	1,000	-
St Francis Children's Society	-	2,000
St Helena's Hospice	-	10,000
St John's Ambulance	-	2,500
St Luke's Hospice	-	1,000
St Mary's Church	-	1,000
St Mungo's	-	5,000
St Thomas of Canterbury School	-	13,600
Suffolk Owl Sanctuary	-	5,000
Support Dogs	-	2,500
Surrey Wildlife Trust	-	2,000
Toynbee Hall	-	2,500
Tree Aid	-	2,500
Vier Pfoten	-	1,000
West London Synagogue	-	5,000
Wheel Power	-	3,000
Carried forward	759,000	363,700

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	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
	£	£
3		
<u>CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES</u> – Grants and Donations		
Brought forward	759,000	363,700
Woman's Trust	-	5,000
Wood Green Animal Shelter	-	2,500
Woodland Trust	-	10,000
Zoological Society of London	-	2,500
ZSV Trust – Food Lifeline	-	5,000
Donations for the charitable assistance of former employees of JW Spear & Sons plc and the family and dependants of such former employees: 6 (2019: 10)	24,079	25,432
Sundry donations: none (2019: 2)	-	1,150
	<hr/> 783,079 <hr/>	<hr/> 415,282 <hr/>
	£	£
4		
<u>OTHER</u>		
Independent examination	535	525
Accountancy (4a)	3,530	5,880
Professional fees (4a)	4,250	19,295
Office costs (4b)	72	83
Irrecoverable VAT	850	3,859
	<hr/> 9,237 <hr/>	<hr/> 29,642 <hr/>
(a)	Two trustees are practitioners in professional firms who provide services to the trust in the normal course of business.	
(b)	No trustee has received any direct remuneration. No trustee received reimbursement of expenses during the year (2019: £nil).	

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		<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
		£	£
5	<u>DEBTORS</u>		
	Accrued income	699	2,650
	Funds held by stockbroker	52,242	31,002
		<hr/> 52,941	<hr/> 33,652
6	<u>CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year</u>		
	Grants Committed	25,000	55,000
	Accruals	12,092	24,590
	Other creditors	6	6
		<hr/> 37,098	<hr/> 79,596
		Market value	<u>Cost</u>
		£	£
	<u>INVESTMENTS</u>		
	<u>Fixed Interest Stocks</u>		
	£110,000 Treasury 2% 2025	120,747	115,971
	<u>Ordinary Shares and Unit Trusts</u>		
	5,000 Aberforth Smaller Cos Ord 1p	62,400	64,421
	890 Ashstead Group Ord 10p	30,598	14,198
	900 AstraZeneca Ord US\$0.25	65,916	14,665
	10,000 Bailee Gifford American W1 Dis	177,700	54,821
	1,300 Bailee Gifford Japan Sml Cos B Nav Inc	75,764	60,455
	2,400 BHP Group Ord US\$0.50	46,200	38,738
	70,000 Blackrock FM Contl Eurp Inc D Unts Inc	123,235	111,601
	13,000 BP Ord US\$0.25	33,124	59,428
	2,000 British American Tobacco Ord 25p	54,160	69,055
	12,000 BT Group Ord 5p	15,870	40,699
	3,700 Compass Group Ord 11.05p	50,431	22,099
		<hr/> 856,145	<hr/> 666,151
	Carried forward		

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		<u>Market value</u>	<u>Cost</u>
		£	£
7	<u>INVESTMENTS</u>		
	Brought forward	856,145	666,151
	<u>Ordinary Shares and Unit Trusts</u>		
	3,500 Coupland Cardiff F CC Jpn I & G £ Uhdg	55,745	48,008
	1,650 Diageo Ord 28.935185p	47,487	6,580
	1,150 Experian Ord US\$0.10	31,936	4,609
	45,000 FILInv Svcs UK Emg Mkts R £ Acc	63,180	49,903
	80,653 FILInv Svcs UK Money Builder Income I £	85,492	80,750
	1,850 Finlay Park Funds American \$ Dis	213,590	113,956
	36,000 First Sentier Inv Stewart Inv Asia Pac Ldrs	106,132	78,996
	4,000 GlaxoSmithKline Ord 25p	53,680	37,169
	120,000 Henderson Investme Pref & Bond G £ Dis	73,848	70,235
	30,318 HICL Infrastructure Ord 0.01p	52,753	45,792
	51,647 Hipgnosis Songs Fu Ord NPV	63,784	57,019
	9,000 HSBC Holdings Ord US\$0.50 (UK Reg)	34,097	57,085
	2,300 IMI Ord 0.28571428p	26,795	23,614
	400 Ishares £ Corp Bond 0-5 Yr Ucits ETF G	43,222	41,364
	11,200 JP Morgan Mid Cap IT Ord 25p	127,960	46,481
	150,000 JP Morgan Fds US Equity Inc K £ Net Inc	178,650	132,173
	129,981 Jupiter UT Mngrs Statagic Bond Z Inc	88,062	87,444
	12,000 Legal and General Ord 2.5p	31,944	23,825
	115,000 Lloyds Banking Group Ord 10p	41,906	149,653
	15,000 M & G Ord 5p	29,693	26,271
	76,516 Mayfair Cap Inv Prop Inc Tst for Charities	62,407	66,000
	2,500 MSIM Fung Mgt Asia Opps J \$ Acc	88,024	50,116
	5,000 National Grid Ord 12.431289p	43,250	22,616
	50,000 Ninety One Fd Mgrs Diversified Inc J 2	50,695	50,354
	60,000 North American Inc Ord 5p	146,700	85,699
	Carried forward	2,697,177	2,121,863

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		<u>Market value</u>	<u>Cost</u>
7	<u>INVESTMENTS</u>		
	Brought forward	2,697,177	2,121,863
	<u>Ordinary Shares and Unit Trusts</u>		
	1,100 Persimmon Ord 10p	30,437	4,314
	7,000 Pimco Gbl Advis UK Corp Bd Fd Inst Inc £	77,280	74,428
	3,000 Polar Capital Tech Tst Ord 25p	69,150	29,917
	8,000 Princess Private Equity Ord EUR0.001	84,139	41,506
	3,400 Prudential Ord 5p	45,798	11,991
	600 Reckitt Benckiser Group Ord 10p	39,252	18,064
	1,050 Rio Tinto Ord 10p	57,435	11,002
	5,200 Royal Dutch Shell B Ord EUR0.07	65,489	54,475
	30,000 Schroder Oriental Ord 1p	78,450	70,488
	2,000 Smiths Group Ord 37.5p	30,090	16,350
	20,000 Syncona Ord NPV	52,200	20,412
	60,000 Threadneedle Inv Euro Select Z £ Inc	121,758	102,252
	40,000 Tritax Big Box REIT Ord 1p	67,160	45,271
	1,000 Unilever Ord 3.1111p	43,920	21,425
	5,000 Vanguard Funds S&P 500 Ucits ETF \$ Dis	259,144	141,557
	30,000 Vodafone Group Ord US\$0.2095238	36,282	67,705
	3,100 WPP Ord 10p	24,800	38,306
		<hr/> 3,879,961 <hr/>	<hr/> 2,891,326 <hr/>

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8 INVESTMENTS

MOVEMENT IN MARKET VALUE

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
	£	£
Market value at 1 January	4,604,000	4,385,874
Additions at cost	306,816	484,816
Disposal proceeds	(1,110,477)	(841,520)
Net investment gains/(losses)	79,622	574,830
Market value at 31 December	<u>3,879,961</u>	<u>4,604,000</u>
Historical cost at 31 December	<u>2,891,326</u>	<u>3,489,375</u>