

POLIZZI CHARITABLE TRUST

TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2024

**Registered Charity
Number 1053987**

POLIZZI CHARITABLE TRUST

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I N D E P E N D E N T E X A M I N A T I O N

Year ended 5 April 2024

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 5 April 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'). You are satisfied that an audit is not required for this year under charity law and that an independent examination is needed.

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 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 accounts. 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 accounts 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 am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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



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11 September 2025

POLIZZI CHARITABLE TRUST

TRUSTEES' REPORT

Year ended 5 April 2024

The Trustees present their report and the financial statements for The Polizzi Charitable Trust for the year ended 5 April 2024.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 and comply with the Charity's Trust Deed, the Charities Act 2011 and the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (SORP FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)".

Structure, governance and management

The Trust was constituted on 19 March 1996 by The Hon Lady O M L A Polizzi di Sorrentino CBE, and is a registered charity (No. 1053987) under the Charities Act 2011. Power of appointments of the new Trustees is vested in the existing Trustees and may be exercised at their discretion. Details of the Trustees who served during the year and other relevant general information is set out on page 3.

The major risks to which the Charity is exposed, as identified by the Trustees, have been reviewed and systems have been established to mitigate those risks.

Objectives and activities for the public benefit

The object of the Trust is to apply the Trust's income to charitable purposes, and it achieves this by making grants and donations to other charitable institutions at the absolute discretion of the Trustees. Under the terms of the Trust Deed the unrestricted fund is expendable on such charities or charitable purposes as the Trustees determine.

The Trustees, having regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charities Commission, in accordance with Section 17 of the Charities Act 2011, consider that the purpose of activities of the Charity satisfy requirements of the public benefit as set out in Section 4 of the same Act.

Achievements and performance

The financial performance of the Charity is fully dependent on the donations it receives from the Settlor, The Hon Lady O M L A Polizzi di Sorrentino CBE, and this is expected to be the case going forward. The Charity received donations of £201,610 from the Settlor during the year (2023 - £nil).

The funds are then distributed through grants to charitable individuals and institutions in furtherance of the objectives of the Charity at the Trustees' discretion.

Financial review

The financial statements are set out on pages 5 to 9.

A list of distributions made in the year ended 5 April 2024 appears in note 5 to the financial statements. The grants made during the year were to thirteen (2023 - seven) charities and totalled £81,900 net (2023 - £18,000).

It is the Trustees' policy not to retain reserves as the Charity's overheads are low.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (continued)

Year ended 5 April 2024

Reference and administrative details

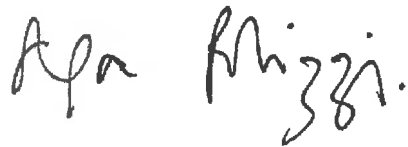
Trustees

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Mrs A Miller
Mrs C Polizzi-Peyton
Mme M Claudel
Mr D H Nelson
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On behalf of the Trustees



THE HON LADY O M L A POLIZZI DI SORRENTINO CBE
Trustee

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

Year ended 5 April 2024

	Note	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Income and endowments from:			
Donations and legacies	2, 3	253,938	1,925
Bank interest		356	34
HMRC repayment interest		46	-
Total income and endowments		<u>254,340</u>	<u>1,959</u>
Expenditure on:			
Charitable activities	5, 6	78,650	18,000
<i>Governance costs:</i>			
Bank charges	6	440	386
Accountancy expenses	6	2,725	1,925
Total expenditure		<u>81,815</u>	<u>20,311</u>
Net income		172,525	(18,352)
Reconciliation of funds:			
Total funds brought forward at 6 April 2023		7,591	25,943
Total funds carried forward at 5 April 2024		<u>180,116</u>	<u>7,591</u>

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

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BALANCE SHEET

At 5 April 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
Current assets			
Debtors	7	50,403	6,640
Cash at bank		130,513	4,201
Total current assets		<u>180,916</u>	<u>10,841</u>
Liabilities			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	(800)	(3,250)
Net current assets		<u>180,116</u>	<u>7,591</u>
The funds of the charity			
Unrestricted fund		180,116	7,591
Total charity funds		<u>180,116</u>	<u>7,591</u>

The financial statements set out on pages 5 to 9 were approved by the Trustees on 2025 and were signed on their behalf by:

Apa Polizzi

THE HON LADY O M L A POLIZZI DI SORRENTINO CBE
Trustee

POLIZZI CHARITABLE TRUST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year ended 5 April 2024

1. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation and assessment of going concern

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards, the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting Charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (SORP FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)" and the Charities Act 2011. The particular accounting policies adopted are described below.

The Trust constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note.

The Trust is dependent on its settlor for its income and the Trustees understand that funds will be made available to cover the Trust's modest expenses. Therefore, the financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

The financial statements are presented in Sterling which is the financial currency of the Trust and rounded to the nearest £.

Funds structure

The Charity's funds comprise an unrestricted fund that is available for use at the Trustees' discretion in furtherance of the charitable objectives.

Income

Donations are recognised when the Charity becomes entitled to the donation and is probable that the donation will be received.

There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by FRS 102 or SORP FRS 102.

Expenditure

The Trustees make distributions from the unrestricted fund at their discretion, and such distributions are accordingly brought into account when the Charity has become committed to payment. Other expenses are accounted for on an accruals basis, and are inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

2. Donations and legacies	2024	2023
	£	£
Cash donations from Settlor	201,610	-
Gift Aid recoverable on cash donations	50,403	-
Donated accountancy services, including waived debts (see note 3)	1,925	1,925
	<u>253,938</u>	<u>1,925</u>

3. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

During the year, no fees (2023 - £nil) were charged in respect of accountancy services provided by Dixon Wilson, a firm in which David Nelson, a Trustee of this charity, is a partner. Accountancy services of £1,925 (2023 - £1,925) have been donated in the year, and are recorded as income from donated services and a corresponding accountancy expense. No historic fees were waived during the year (2023 - £nil). The Trustees are authorised by the Trust Deed to pay professional charges to Trustees engaged in a professional capacity on the instructions of the other Trustees.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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Year ended 5 April 2024

4. Employees

The Trust did not have any employees during the year (2023 - nil).

5. Recipients of institutional grants	2024	2023
	£	£
Charleston Trust	10,000	-
East Mountbatten Hospice	500	-
City of Westminster Charitable Trust	1,000	-
Breast Cancer Now	1,000	-
The Lord's Taverners	2,000	-
The Royal Opera House Covent Garden Foundation	8,400	-
Towner Gallery	10,000	-
Rainbow Children's Hospice	2,000	-
Landau Forte Charitable Trust	2,000	-
Glyndebourne Productions	10,000	-
New Heritage Foundation	10,000	-
Wycombe Youth Action	5,000	-
Cornwall Air Ambulance	20,000	-
Historic adjustment	(3,250)	-
Tyburn convent	-	2,000
West London Zone	-	1,000
Sir Simon Milton Foundation	-	1,000
The Handel House Trust Ltd	-	10,000
St Just in Roseland and St Mawes PC FOC	-	1,000
The Wren Project	-	1,000
The Garden Muse	-	2,000
	78,650	18,000

All grants were made with no restrictions attached and are to be used by the Charity to meet its general objectives.

6. Analysis of charitable expenditure

The Charity undertakes its charitable activities through grant making and awards grants to institutions in furtherance of its charitable objectives.

	Grant-funded activity	Governance costs	Total
	£	£	2024
			£
Charitable activities	78,650	3,165	75,485
Total	78,650	3,165	75,485
Governance costs		2024	2023
		£	£
Bank charges		440	386
Accountancy fees		1,925	1,925
Independent Examination fees		800	-
		3,165	2,311

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(continued)**Year ended 5 April 2024**

7. Debtors	2024	2023
	£	£
Gift Aid receivable	50,403	6,250
Expenses repayable by Trustees	-	390
	<u>50,403</u>	<u>6,640</u>

8. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Independent Examination fees	800	-
Donations to charitable institutions not having cleared the bank	-	3,250
	<u>800</u>	<u>3,250</u>

9. Related Party Transactions

The Hon Lady Olga Polizzi, a trustee, is also a member of the governing body of the Landau Forte Charitable Trust. During the year, the Trust made a donation of £2,000 (2023 - £nil) to the Landau Forte Charitable Trust in order to purchase books for schoolchildren.

The Trust also made a donation of £3,000 (2023 - £nil) to New Heritage Foundation UK, an unconnected charity, in respect of a Gala dinner which was attended by The Hon Lady Olga Polizzi, who is a trustee. Lady Polizzi subsequently repaid this amount to the Trust in full, and there was no outstanding balance as at 5 April 2024.