

DOBIES CHARITABLE TRUST
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 APRIL 2024

DOBIES CHARITABLE TRUST

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Charity name	Dobies Charitable Trust
Charity number	1057846
Principal address	Dobies Cumbria Lillyhall West Workington Cumbria CA14 4HX
Trustees	Mr W Dobie Mrs E Dobie Mrs S Newton Mrs S Alderson
Activities of the charity	To support charitable purposes in the County of Cumbria
Independent examiner	Armstrong Watson LLP Carleton House 136 Gray Street Workington Cumbria CA14 2LU
Bankers	HSBC Bank Plc 3 Pow Street Workington Cumbria CA14 3AH

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 APRIL 2024

The Trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the Period ended 30 April 2024.

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's governing 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 (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)".

Objectives and activities

The Trust's objects are to apply income to such charities and/or to such charitable purposes in the County of Cumbria as the Trustees may determine.

The Trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the Trust should undertake.

Achievements and performance

The Charity continues to support charities/charitable purposes in the County of Cumbria.

Financial review and risk management

The attached financial statements show the current state of the Charity's finances. The Charity maintain its reserves in a COIF Charities Deposit Fund. The trustees actively review the major risk which the Charity faces on a regular basis and believe that maintaining reserves at current levels, combined with an annual review of the controls over the key financial systems, will provide sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions. The Trustees have also examined other operational and business risks faced by the Charity and confirm that they have established systems to mitigate the significant risks. The plans for future development are to continue to support charities/charitable purposes in the County of Cumbria.

Structure, governance and management

The Trustees who served during the Period and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

Mr W Dobie

Mrs E Dobie

Mrs S Newton

Mrs S Alderson

Appointment of Trustees is governed by the constitution of the Charity.

The Charity is governed by a Trust Deed dated 9 July 1996.

All the activities supported by the Charity are for the benefit of the public as mentioned in the Charity Commission Guidelines.

Reserves Policy

The Trustees of the Charity are satisfied with the current level of general reserves.

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

Mrs S Newton

Trustee

7 August 2024

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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 APRIL 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 Trust and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the Trust for that Period.

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 Trust 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 Trust 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 DOBIES CHARITABLE TRUST

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Dobies Charitable Trust (the Trust) for the Period ended 30 April 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Trustees of the Trust 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 Trust's financial statements 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.

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 Trust 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.

Mark Stanger
Armstrong Watson LLP

Carleton House
136 Gray Street
Workington
Cumbria
CA14 2LU

Dated: 13 August 2024

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 APRIL 2024

		Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
	Notes		
<u>Income from:</u>			
Donations and legacies	3	38,596	25,037
Investments	4	4,866	2,048
		<hr/>	<hr/>
Total income		43,462	27,085
		<hr/>	<hr/>
<u>Expenditure on:</u>			
Governance costs	5	832	758
Charitable activities	6	39,199	26,252
		<hr/>	<hr/>
Total resources expended		40,031	27,010
		<hr/>	<hr/>
Net income for the year/ Net movement in funds		3,431	75
Fund balances at 1 May 2023		104,571	104,496
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Fund balances at 30 April 2024		108,002	104,571
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The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the Period.

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 30 APRIL 2024

		2024		2023	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Investments	11		100,000		100,000
Current assets					
Debtors	12	200		600	
Cash at bank and in hand		8,487		4,611	
		<u>8,687</u>		<u>5,211</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	13	<u>(685)</u>		<u>(640)</u>	
Net current assets			8,002		4,571
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>108,002</u>		<u>104,571</u>
Net assets excluding pension liability			<u>108,002</u>		<u>104,571</u>
			<u><u>108,002</u></u>		<u><u>104,571</u></u>
The funds of the Trust					
Unrestricted funds			108,002		104,571
			<u>108,002</u>		<u>104,571</u>
			<u><u>108,002</u></u>		<u><u>104,571</u></u>

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 7 August 2024

Mrs S Newton
Trustee

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 APRIL 2024

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Dobies Charitable Trust is an unincorporated charity registered in England. The principal address is Dobies Cumbria, Lillyhall West, Workington, Cumbria, CA14 4HX.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Trust's governing 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 (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)". The Trust is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The Trust has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure has involved following the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102 rather than the version of the Statement of Recommended Practice which is referred to in the Regulations but which has since been withdrawn.

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

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. 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 Trust 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 Trust.

1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the Trust is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the Trust has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the Trust has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 APRIL 2024

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

1.5 Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to the expenditure. All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

1.6 Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments are initially measured at transaction price excluding transaction costs, and are subsequently measured at fair value at each reporting date. Changes in fair value are recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred.

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, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.8 Financial instruments

The Trust 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 Trust's balance sheet when the Trust 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 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.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the Trust's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 APRIL 2024

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the Trust'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 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2024	2023
	£	£
Donations	30,000	20,000
Christmas jumper day donations	1,096	37
Gift Aid tax reclaimed	7,500	5,000
	<u>38,596</u>	<u>25,037</u>

4 Investments

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2024	2023
	£	£
Interest on COIF investment	<u>4,866</u>	<u>2,048</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 APRIL 2024

5 Raising funds

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2024	2023
	£	£
Administration expenses	832	758
	<u>832</u>	<u>758</u>

6 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Charitable activities	Charitable activities
	2024	2023
	£	£
Direct costs		
Charitable grants made	39,199	26,252
	<u>39,199</u>	<u>26,252</u>
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	39,199	26,252
	<u>39,199</u>	<u>26,252</u>

7 Support costs

	Support costs	Governance costs	2024	Support costs	Governance costs	2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Governance costs	-	832	832	-	758	758
	<u>-</u>	<u>832</u>	<u>832</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>758</u>	<u>758</u>
	<u>-</u>	<u>832</u>	<u>832</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>758</u>	<u>758</u>
Analysed between						
Administration expenses	-	832	832	-	758	758
	<u>-</u>	<u>832</u>	<u>832</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>758</u>	<u>758</u>

8 Trustees

None of the Trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the Trust during the Period.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 APRIL 2024

9 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the Period was:

	2024 Number	2023 Number
Total	-	-

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was more than £60,000.

10 Taxation

The charity is exempt from taxation on its activities because all its income is applied for charitable purposes.

11 Fixed asset investments

	Unlisted investments £
Cost or valuation	
At 1 May 2023 & 30 April 2024	100,000
Carrying amount	
At 30 April 2024	100,000
At 30 April 2023	100,000

12 Debtors

	2024 £	2023 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Prepayments and accrued income	200	600

13 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024 £	2023 £
Accruals and deferred income	685	640

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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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 May 2023	Incoming resources	Resources expended	At 30 April 2024
	£	£	£	£
General funds	104,571	43,462	(40,031)	108,002
Previous Period:	At 1 May 2022	Incoming resources	Resources expended	At 30 April 2023
	£	£	£	£
General funds	104,496	27,085	(27,010)	104,571

15 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2024	Unrestricted funds 2023
	£	£
Fund balances at 30 April 2024 are represented by:		
Investments	100,000	100,000
Current assets/(liabilities)	8,002	4,571
	108,002	104,571

16 Related party transactions

Controlling entity

The charity is controlled by the trustees.