

THE HADFIELD CHARITABLE TRUST

Charity Registration Number: 1067491

**ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31st AUGUST 2024**

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The Trustees have pleasure in submitting their Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31st August 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 charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (second edition - October 2019 - effective 1 January 2019).

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATION DETAILS

**Trustees who served during
the year and on the date
the Report was approved:**

Mr A T Morris - Chair
Mrs C F E Addison - Resigned 2nd April 2025
Mr D Bailey
Mr A W N Forsyth
Ms K A Jones - Appointed 3rd July 2024
Mr B Kenny
Mr R A Morris

Principal Office:

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Charity Registration Number:

1067491

Administrator to the Trust:

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Assistant to the Administrator:

Mrs V Hewitt

Accountancy:

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Hadfield Charitable Trust is an unincorporated grant-making trust, a registered charity constituted under a trust deed dated 1 September 1997. The Trust was established through the generosity of the late Mrs Kathleen Hadfield Bibby. The Trustees hold the capital and income of the Trust on Unrestricted Funds to be applied as they in their discretion think fit. The Trust's sole activity is grant making.

By deed dated 1st August 2010 the Trustees varied the original deed to extend the total number of trustees at no time to exceed eight. At the end of the financial year under review the Trust had seven trustees, each chosen for their particular skills which they bring to its governance. It is considered that the Trustees between them have the appropriate experience and skills to fulfil the Trust's objectives. Three of these trustees live and work in Cumbria.

The Trustees wish to record their grateful thanks to Caroline Addison for all her hard work and efforts on behalf of the Trust. She joined the Advisory Panel in October 2004, was appointed a Trustee from July 2010 and worked as the Trust Administrator for 5 years, being at all times a lively, insightful and valuable contributor. Caroline's local knowledge of the work done by charities had proved invaluable and had been a great help when making grant decisions. During the period under review, the Trustees welcomed Karen Jones as a Trustee.

The Trustees held three meetings during the financial year under review. This gave the Trustees the opportunity to discuss each grant application as well as to discuss strategy and governance matters. The Trust's Investment Manager attended all three meetings. At its March meeting, the 2023 Annual Report and Accounts were presented to considered and approved by the Trustees before being signed by the Chair in good time to meet its statutory obligations.

The Trustees have delegated the day to day management of the Charity to the Administrator of the Trust.

At each Trustees' meeting the Trustees decide what awards should be made in response to grant applications received for consideration. The Trustees are guided in their deliberations by an Advisory Panel. Panel members who all live in Cumbria, are appointed by the Trustees and are chosen for their knowledge of the county and its charitable sector. There are currently seven members on the Advisory Panel. The Panel is chaired by a Trustee, Ms Karen Jones. There are three Panel meetings each year, held approximately four weeks prior to each Trustee Meeting. These are held in person, in Cumbria, at a time to suit the Panel Members. Five Trustees attended the Advisory Panel meeting in June 2024 to show their appreciation of the Panel member's work and to better understand how they reach their recommendations.

Please note that 'Cumbria' at the local government level is governed by 'Cumberland' and 'Westmorland and Furness' Councils.

Recruitment, appointment and induction of new trustees

Prospective trustees are nominated by a Trustee for the specific skills they possess, and which will be of particular benefit to the Trust. Typically, candidates are asked to submit a letter of application detailing their skills and experience and then invited for a discussion with the Chairman and the Administrator on the work of the charity and its history. Candidates are then invited to attend a Trustees' meeting and if possible, an Advisory Panel meeting.

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A new trustee must be elected by a majority of the Trustees and is provided with an induction pack containing relevant information including a copy of the Trust Deed, minutes of past Trustees' and Advisory Panel meetings and the latest Annual Report and Accounts. New Trustees are asked to read the Charity Commission guidance on the role, responsibilities and conduct of trustees (CC3: The Essential Trustee) and to visit the Charity Commission website.

Principal Risks and Uncertainties

The Trustees have considered the major risks to which the charity is exposed, together with the system which have been established to mitigate those risks. A risk management document is in place and is reviewed each year at the November meeting of the Trustees with a view to identifying any new risks and ensuring that the systems aimed at mitigating those risks remain appropriate.

The Trustees consider that the greatest risk affecting its ability to carry out its objectives would arise from a serious shortfall in its annual income caused by, for example, a collapse of share value as a result of a major international financial crisis. In order to mitigate this risk (and in accordance with s15 Trustee Act 2000) the Trustees have established a policy statement for the investment of funds for the guidance of the discretionary fund manager, which is reviewed annually in line with investment performance.

The Trustees do not feel that it is necessary to establish reserves to enable them to smooth fluctuations in income.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The Settlor had family roots in Cumbria and a deep affection for the county. In reflecting her wishes the Trustees determined that the Hadfield Charitable Trust should primarily provide assistance to community organisations with charitable objectives in Cumbria, particularly those whose work addresses the following priorities: social needs, youth and employment, older people, the arts, and the environment. However, from time to time, it has, and may in the future, make grants to charities operating outside the county. Concentrating on Cumbria was first reported to and agreed by the Trustees at its inaugural meeting in October 1997. For the year under review, the Trustees agreed to continue to support causes in Cumbria.

How the Trust delivers public benefit through its activities:

The Trust primarily delivers public benefit through the distribution of income generated from its capital funds by making grants to suitable community projects. In line with the wishes of the Settlor the awards were principally made for the benefit of communities in Cumbria. The application process is designed to be straightforward and accessible. All applicants are encouraged to discuss projects before applying as the Trust is keen to build a rapport with organisations to help develop an effective and resilient charitable sector.

The Trust actively seeks good community projects to fund and aims to do this in various ways principally through attending the 5 annual charity funding fairs held throughout the county and through its website which was redeveloped working with design students at the University of Cumbria Institute of Arts. The Trust also sends funding plaques for display to organisations, thereby raising public awareness of its work.

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One highlight was to support the Keppleway Trust with a £17,000 grant to build an outdoor shelter at their premises at Broughton-in-Furness. Ms Karen Jones (Trustee) and the Trust Administrator attended the opening event. This shelter supports everyone involved at Keppleway: staff, teachers and participants.

The Trustees continue to receive requests for multi-year grants. The Trustees have approved these as and where appropriate.

To ensure that public benefit is delivered widely and fairly, the Trustees apply a 'two year rule' i.e. a minimum two year gap between the payment of awards.

The Trustees consider applications from national charities if there is evidence of the public benefit to the Cumbrian community from their work. All applicants are asked to provide a Cumbria-based referee who can vouch for that organisation's work in the county.

From time to time the Trustees decide to hold back the grant until certain conditions and criteria are met. The applicant then has two years (unless advised otherwise) from the date of agreement to provide evidence that all conditions and criteria have been met. At that point the pledged award is paid.

Working with third parties to maximise delivery of public benefit

The Trustees are always willing to support organisations which work county wide with numerous community groups. The Trustees were once again happy to support the Cumbria Community Foundation's Winter Warmth Appeal, who worked with several AGE UK offices and Copeland Age and Advice Service to distribute funds.

Performance-related awards

Grants are applied towards one-off projects; however, the Trustees recognise how critical it is to ensure the sustainability of effective organisations. When considered necessary, key projects may receive multi-year grants which are always performance related; subsequent payments being wholly dependent upon the receipt of satisfactory reporting to the Trustees. Examples in 2023/2024 multi-year grants include awards to Citizens Advice Allerdale; Springfield Domestic Violence Support in South Lakeland; Time to Change and the Westmorland Youth Orchestra.

The Trustees also pledge awards where an additional condition needs to be fulfilled, particularly in the case of large capital schemes when remaining funds often need to be secured. These pledged awards frequently help organisations to lever additional funding.

The Trustees have complied with the duty in s17(5) of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's Public Benefit guidance when exercising any relevant powers or duties.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Since the Trust started to make grants in March 1998 almost £7million has been donated to over 3,000 charitable causes, mostly in Cumbria, by 31 August 2024.

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Donations made

During the year, donations totalling £357,256 (£377,517 in 2023) were paid by the Trust. Grants ranging from £350 to £17,000 were awarded to 123 (108 in ye 31 August 2023) charitable causes. The total value and proportion of grants awarded by priority type from Unrestricted Funds were as follows:

	£	%
<i>Social Needs</i>	129,528	37
<i>Youth and Employment</i>	151,128	42
<i>Help for the Elderly</i>	14,579	4
<i>The Arts</i>	40,800	12
<i>The Environment</i>	16,720	5
	<u>352,755</u>	<u>100</u>

In dividing projects by priority there is always a degree of overlap, particularly under the 'Social Needs' priority, so projects can deliver benefit to several categories such as the elderly and disabled. A full list of all the donations made in the year is shown within the notes to these accounts.

Rapid Response Activity

The Trust is always willing to meet community need in times of adversity. Examples of this in the past are during the Foot and Mouth Disease crises of 2001/2002 and again in January 2016 following Storm Desmond and the flooding this caused. To support the area during COVID the Trustees continued with its three funding rounds, accepting applications for both COVID and non COVID-related needs.

IMPACT OF DONATIONS

Social Need

Extracts from the Evaluation Forms returned to the Trustees from successful applicants

"The installation has made the pavilion a far more useable space, not just for the cricket club but for other users and the local community. We now have lighting and heating, as well as showering facilities and proper catering facilities which will allow us to use the space to do some fund raising to help with continued improvements"

"The work has transformed the halls making them a warmer and brighter space. We have increased the number of user groups and once a month organise warm spot meal for between 35-40 of all ages."

"We have worked very hard to train to the standards of H M Coastguard in order to pass and be recognised as an "additional facility". We are very proud to have passed all our requirements by the Coastguard."

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This is the criteria which in past years has received the largest number of applications although this was not the case in the year under review. However the Trustees continue their long time support for community facilities such as village halls and community centres, sports clubs, and hospices.

Youth and Employment Activities

"The young people were asked to take notice of their senses throughout the residential, to increase their connection to nature and empower them to notice their surroundings and as a result, use nature connection as a tool to improve their wellbeing. In turn helping them to understand how they can take care of their mental health and work on their resilience and coping strategies and cement relationships with their peers."

"We had lost numerous service users because they could not attend provisions upstairs - this grant will restore service users and allow new users with mobility problems to attend."

"Our aim is to support young people from disadvantaged backgrounds, providing a sense of belonging, positive wellbeing and a commitment to learning – making a real difference to their quality of life."

Applications during the year under review ranged from support for youth groups, to the refurbishment of play areas, to sponsoring a student taking part in the Arkwright Engineering Scholarship scheme. It was noted that the largest number of grants was paid to support Youth and Employment Activities.

Hadfield Trust Creative Travel Award 2023-24

This is a travel award given to students to enhance their studies in creative arts. The award is managed by the University of Cumbria with a Trustee and a small number of the Advisory Panel members taking part in the decision. Each applicant gives a presentation which has to include a breakdown of costs and the reason they wish to travel. For the 2023/24 a total grant of £2,150 was awarded.

Abby Doran | BA (Hons) Illustration Level 6 | awarded £500

To travel to Krakow, Poland independently to visit a range of museums, galleries and places of cultural interest as personal enrichment.

Peter Howarth | MA Creative Practice | awarded £500

To produce a short film about caving in Yorkshire for entry into the Kendal Mountain Film Festival and to further develop his caving skills to become a voluntary member of the Cumbria Ore Mines Rescue Unit.

Megan Richards | BA (Hons) Wildlife Media Level 4 | awarded £750

To travel to Southern Spain in June 2024 to research, film and produce a documentary of the Iberian Lynx. This film was shown to both the Advisory Panel and Trustees.

Jil Schoenegger | BA (Hons) Illustration Level 6 | awarded £400

To attend the Vertex Conference, London in April 2024 to gain knowledge and contacts from industry professionals on how to advance her career in the field of illustration and concept art.

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Help For The Elderly

Extracts from the Evaluation Forms returned to the Trustees from successful applicants

"The impact of this local befriending service has been hugely significant."

Although there are very few grants allocated to this important criteria this demographic does benefit from grants awarded under the Social Needs, Arts and Environment category.

Arts

Extracts from the Evaluation Forms returned to the Trustees from successful applicants

"Whilst the audience was smaller than we had hoped, those who came went away very happy and cheerful: in fact, I received comments like, "That was the best concert the Music Society has arranged."

"We had a fantastic day meeting up and singing with choirs and individuals from across Cumbria."

"The 2023 festival was a great success. Taking place over 10 days, 37 fantastic events were presented to a live audience with many joining remotely online. This festival ... demonstrated a consolidation of ... recovery from lockdown, surpassing the previous years' attendance figures. 2023 was also a big hit for our family programming following 2 previous years of growth for this new strand of activity."

The Trustees are great supporters of the Arts and were keen to award grants to ensure sustainability and longevity. Increasingly the awards are only paid after a deficit can be evidenced following, say a concert.

The Environment

Extracts from the Evaluation Forms returned to the Trustees from successful applicants

"24 organisations attended (throughout the year) bringing with them a total of 170 participants with learning difficulties, physical disability, SEND and other additional needs. We carried out a range of activities of a bushcraft and forest school nature including den building, fire lighting skills, pond dipping, cooking on an open fire, climbing trees, using slack lines, hammocks and swings, bug hunting and playing in the woods"

The Trustees are always happy to receive applications under this criteria and noted a number applying for grants for solar panels or equipment to reduce heating bills in community buildings.

Plans for the future

The Trustees will continue to target their priority categories to maximise public benefit and actively promote the work of the Trust to attract appropriate applications and effectively meet community need. It is anticipated that requests for revenue funding to cover annual running costs and salaries along with requests for multi-year awards will continue. There are no plans to change the application process.

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The Trust will continue to monitor achievement by measuring impact through analysis of the evaluation reporting of every successful applicant. The Trustees decided that former applicants can only reapply if they have evaluated previously funded projects. Analysis of application by priority and location will continue to help identify gaps in uptake.

Some awards in the Arts category can only be claimed if the event has made a deficit and the Trustees are continuing to measure the impact of this approach.

The Trust will continue to develop its working with key organisations to maximise the delivery of public benefit.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Income generated by investments during the year totalled £335,199 (£331,573 in 2023) and £35,794 (£36,070 in 2023) was spent to raise funds. The amount applied directly towards charitable purposes during the year totalled £406,011 (£422,535 in 2023) of which £53,256 was spent on support and governance costs (£47,018 in 2023).

The SoFA includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluations and disposals throughout the year. In the year ended 31st August 2024, net investment gains totalled £557,435 (losses of £389,874 in 2023).

The net increase in funds during the year ended 31st August 2024 was £450,829.

The Trustees held £9,726,801 of Unrestricted Funds as at 31st August 2024, compared with £9,275,972 held as at 31st August 2023. All Funds held at the financial year-end were Unrestricted in nature.

Reserves

The Trustees do not consider the underlying capital to be reserves since they provide the sole source of income for the Trust. The Trustees aim to expend each year's income, net of administration expenses, through the donation of grants with any under or over expenditure being balanced by over or under expenditure in subsequent years. Given the above, coupled with the low annual administrative expenditure, the Trustees do not consider it necessary to maintain designated free reserves. As explained under the section of "Rapid Response Activity", the Trustees from time to time respond to a particular crisis or opportunity by agreeing to donate an appropriate sum possibly outside of the 3 funding rounds to meet that need, although no such event occurred during 2023/2024.

Investments

The Trust's capital is invested in marketable investments or cash. There are no specific restrictions under the terms of the governing document. The Trustees have full discretion over the investments. The Trustees have delegated to Rathbones full discretionary day to day control of the investments. Assets have been acquired and disposed of in accordance with the powers available to the Trustees.

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Investment Objectives and Performance

The Trustees have agreed with the Investment Managers the objectives to secure a reasonable growth in income, consistent with the long term preservation of capital in real terms. Investment decisions should be made based on the views of a prudent person in accordance with the standard of investment criteria relating to suitability and diversification. These objectives are reviewed at least once a year at a Trustee meeting.

The Trustees wish to ensure that the objectives outlined above are achieved with an acceptable risk. This implies the need for diversification of investment by the Trust to include a range of assets including fixed interest stocks, UK and overseas shares.

Investments comprise holdings in the UK, larger overseas listed companies, unit and investment trusts including those investing in major international markets and also fixed interest securities. The portfolio can therefore include a proportion of medium-sized, or smaller, UK companies and have exposure to international markets. The performance of the fund is monitored and the Trustees review each individual asset class against its appropriate benchmark.

The Investment Managers are required to operate within the constraints applying to trusts governed by the Trustee Act 2000.

The Investment Manager provides regular reports to the Trustees who review the performance of the portfolio and of the Investment Manager at least three times a year. They consider that their performance during the period under review was satisfactory.

The Trustees are aware that significant enhancements have been and continue to be made to the investment process at Rathbones which will allow a deeper understanding of the Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) aspects of the investments and identify any risks associated with these. This development is welcomed and the Trustees will keep their position on this reviewed and the Policy Statement will be updated accordingly.

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TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report Accounts 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 accounts 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 accounts, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK accounting standards (FRS102) 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 accounts 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.

As approved and signed on behalf of the Board of Trustees:



A T Morris (Chairman)

12/4/25

Date

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To the Trustees of The Hadfield Charitable Trust

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of The Hadfield Charitable Trust (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 August 2024 which comprise of the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and the notes to the accounts, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 August 2024 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The other information comprises of the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise, appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 require us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the financial statements is inconsistent in any material respect with the Trustees' Report; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or

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- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditors under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

The extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud

Our approach to identifying and assessing the risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, was as follows:

- the engagement partner ensured that the engagement team collectively had the appropriate competence, capabilities and skills to identify or recognise non-compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- we identified the laws and regulations applicable to the charity through discussions with trustees and other management;
- we focused on specific laws and regulations which we considered may have a direct material effect on the financial statements or the operations of the charity, including taxation legislation and data protection, anti-bribery, employment and health and safety legislation;
- we assessed the extent of compliance with the laws and regulations identified above through making enquiries of management and inspecting legal correspondence; and
- identified laws and regulations were communicated within the audit team regularly and the team remained alert to instances of non-compliance throughout the audit.

We assessed the susceptibility of the charity's financial statements to material misstatement, including obtaining an understanding of how fraud might occur, by:

- making enquiries of management as to where they considered there was susceptibility to fraud, their knowledge of actual, suspected and alleged fraud; and
- considering the internal controls in place to mitigate risks of fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations.

To address the risk of fraud through management bias and override of controls, we:

- performed analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships;
- tested journal entries to identify unusual transactions;
- assessed whether judgements and assumptions made in determining the accounting estimates were indicative of potential bias; and

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- investigated the rationale behind significant or unusual transactions.

In response to the risk of irregularities and non-compliance with laws and regulations, we designed procedures which included but were not limited to:

- agreeing financial statement disclosures to underlying supporting documentation;
- reading the minutes of meetings of those charged with governance; and
- enquiring of management as to actual and potential litigation and claims.

There are inherent limitations in our audit procedures described above. The more removed that laws and regulations are from financial transactions, the less likely it is that we would become aware of non-compliance. Auditing standards also limit the audit procedures required to identify non-compliance with laws and regulations to enquiry of the trustees and other management and the inspection of regulatory and legal correspondence, if any. Material misstatements that arise due to fraud can be harder to detect than those that arise from error as they may involve deliberate concealment or collusion.

A further description of our responsibilities is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at <http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Other matters

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared financial statements in accordance with "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)" (as amended) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has now been withdrawn.

This has been done in order for the financial statements to provide a true and fair view in accordance with current Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Mitchell Charlesworth (Audit) Limited
Accountants
Statutory Auditor

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Mitchell Charlesworth (Audit) Limited

Dated

29 May 2025

Mitchell Charlesworth (Audit) Limited is eligible for appointment as auditor of the charity by virtue of its eligibility for appointment as auditor of a company under section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

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Statement of financial activities

		Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Unrestricted Total 2023 £
	<i>Notes</i>		
Investments	3	332,110	328,838
Other Interest	4	3,089	2,735
Total		335,199	331,573
Expenditure on:			
Raising funds	5	35,794	36,070
Charitable activities	6	406,011	422,535
Total		441,805	458,605
Net gains/(losses) on investments	12	557,435	(389,874)
Net movement in funds		450,829	(516,906)
Reconciliation of funds:			
Balance as at 1st September 2023		9,275,972	9,792,878
Balance as at 31st August 2024		9,726,801	9,275,972

There are no acquisitions or discontinued operations in the year.

The notes on pages 16 to 25 form part of these accounts.


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Balance Sheet

		Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
	<i>Notes</i>			
Fixed Assets				
Investments	12	9,672,067	9,672,067	9,200,488
Total Fixed Assets		<u>9,672,067</u>	<u>9,672,067</u>	<u>9,200,488</u>
Current Assets				
Debtors	13	60,842	60,842	57,249
Cash at bank		14,834	14,834	85,045
Total Current Assets		<u>75,676</u>	<u>75,676</u>	<u>142,294</u>
Liabilities:				
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	14	20,942	20,942	56,810
Net Current Assets		<u>54,734</u>	<u>54,734</u>	<u>85,484</u>
Creditors: Amounts falling due after one year	15	0	0	10,000
Total Net Assets as at 31st August 2024		<u><u>9,726,801</u></u>	<u><u>9,726,801</u></u>	<u><u>9,275,972</u></u>
Funds of the Charity				
Total Funds as at 31st August 2024		<u><u>9,726,801</u></u>	<u><u>9,726,801</u></u>	<u><u>9,275,972</u></u>

Approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf on 12/4/2025



A T Morris (Chairman)

The notes on pages 16 to 25 form part of these accounts.

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1 Accounting Policies

The Hadfield Charitable Trust is a Public Benefit Entity governed by a Settlement Deed dated 1st September 1997 and registered in England and Wales. The principal address is Shoestone Cottage, Garnett Bridge, Kendal, Cumbria, LA8 9AZ.

Accounting Convention

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the charity's Constitution, 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 from 1 January 2019).

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

The accounts have been prepared on the historical cost convention, modified to include the revaluation of investments at fair value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

The charity 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.

Going Concern

At the time of approving the accounts 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 accounts

Charitable Funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the charity in furtherance of their charitable objectives unless the funds have been designated for other purposes.

Income

Income is recognised when the charity 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 charity 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 charity 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.

All dividend income is recorded net and includes tax deducted only when it is repayable to the charity.

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Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised when paid or when there is a legal or constructive obligation for which it is more likely than not that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement and the amount can be reliably measured as at the reporting date. A constructive obligation exists where the charity has communicated the commitment to provide particular goods, services or funding to the recipient by the reporting date and there are no conditions attached to its payment falling due after the reporting date.

Provisions for liabilities must be recognised when either the timing or the amount of future expenditure required to settle the obligation is uncertain. These are distinguished separately on the balance sheet. If a transfer of resources is no longer required, provisions are reversed and charged to the SoFA.

Support Costs and Employee Benefits

All support costs and employee benefits are paid from Unrestricted Funds.

The employees of the charity do not accrue holiday entitlement. Any termination benefits awarded are recognised immediately as an expense.

Retirement Benefits

The charity is required to provide a pension scheme for one employee; the Administrator, only. A Defined Contribution scheme commenced 1st August 2016.

Investments

Investments held in the fund are included at their market value as follows:

- (a) Listed securities are valued at the mid market value ruling at the balance sheet date.
- (b) Listed securities held in foreign currencies have been valued at the mid market value and translated into their sterling equivalents at the rates ruling at the balance sheet date.
- (c) Gifts are valued at the mid market value ruling at the Balance Sheet date and include interest that has accrued up to that date.

Investments are classified as a fixed asset except when classified as a current asset where the intention of the Trustees is to dispose of the asset and not reinvest the proceeds.

Other recognised Gains and Losses

Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between sales proceeds and their market value at the start of the year, or their subsequent cost and are charged or credited to the Statement of Financial Activities in the year of disposal.

Unrealised gains and losses represent the movement in market values during the year and are credited or charged to the Statement of Financial Activities resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the Balance Sheet date.

Taxation

The Charity is not liable to income tax or capital gains tax on its charitable activities. Irrecoverable VAT is included in the asset cost or the expense to which it relates.

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Cash and cash equivalents

Cash at bank and in hand is held to meet short-term cash commitments as they fall due rather than for investment purposes. 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.

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 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 receipts 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.

Cancellation of financial liabilities

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

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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. There are no critical accounting estimates or judgements included in these accounts.

3 Income from Investments	2024	2023
	£	£
<i>Net of non reclaimable tax deducted at source:</i>		
Overseas	76,801	91,197
UK Fixed Interest	8,394	8,220
UK Unit Trust Income	42,066	44,080
UK Equities and Income	207,149	187,703
Other Income	8,358	8,190
Non reclaimable tax	(10,658)	(10,552)
	<u>332,110</u>	<u>328,838</u>

4 Other Income	2024	2023
	£	£
Bank Interest	3,089	2,728
Other Interest received	0	7
	<u>3,089</u>	<u>2,735</u>

5 Raising funds	2024	2023
	£	£
Rathbones Investment Management fees	35,794	36,070
	<u>35,794</u>	<u>36,070</u>

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6 Charitable activities

Grant making:

	Unrestricted Funds		Total Funds	Total Funds
	Direct	Support		
	Activities	Costs	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Donations made (note 7)	352,755	0	352,755	375,517
Salaries (note 9)	0	31,463	31,463	29,428
Office costs	0	3,469	3,469	4,038
Governance costs (note 10)	0	18,324	18,324	13,552
	352,755	53,256	406,011	422,535

7 Donations made

An analysis of donations made from Unrestricted Funds by type is summarised as follows:

	£	%
Social Needs	129,528	37
Youth and Employment	151,128	42
The Elderly	14,579	4
The Arts	40,800	12
The Environment	16,720	5
Total unrestricted donations	352,755	100

A full list of donations made to institutions from Unrestricted Funds and analysed by type for the year:

	£	£
<i>Social Needs:</i>		
Armathwaite Old School Hall	2,500	
Cumbria Cerebral Palsy	2,000	
Aspatria RUFC	1,000	
British Red Cross	3,700	
Carlisle One World Centre	3,570	
Citizens Advice Allerdale	3,850	
Cumbria Breast Feeding Support	2,000	
Cumbria County History Trust	1,500	
Cumbria CVS	5,000	
Eyes Open	1,800	
Grange Over Sands Community Foodshare	2,700	
Home to Work Ltd	5,000	
Hospice of St Mary of Furness	4,740	
Springfield Domestic Abuse Support	5,000	
Tebay Methodist Church	2,000	
Two's Company Keswick	1,300	
Ulverston Inshore Rescue	2,250	
Western Dales Community Bus Service	1,500	
Barrow Cricket Club	2,000	

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Cumbria Addiction: Advise and Solutions	5,000	
Cumbria Crime Stoppers	2,500	
Cumbria Deaf Association	5,000	
High Harrington Community	3,768	
Kendal Dementia Action Alliance	4,000	
Seascale Events	500	
Time to Change (West Cumbria)	5,000	
Vision of Adventure	2,000	
Ulverston Conservative Bowling Club	500	
Staveley Village Association	2,000	
Keekle Village Hall	3,750	
Friends of Shap School	1,750	
Glassonby Village Hall	3,650	
Growing Well Ltd	5,000	
Barrow Raiders Community Foundation	500	
BID Services	2,000	
Blue Sky Trust	3,000	
Carlisle Trampoline Club	1,000	
Fairoak Housing Association	3,500	
Healthy Hopes Ltd	3,000	
Hospice at Home West Cumbria	5,000	
MIND in Furness Ltd	3,200	
Safetynet (UK)	5,000	
Upper Eden CIC	1,000	
Coniston Sports & Social Club	2,500	
St Mary's Parish Centre	2,000	
		129,528
<i>Youth & Employment</i>	£	
Cumbria Youth Development	350	
People First Services	1,740	
St Mark's School Natland PTA	2,400	
Our Place Youth Club	1,875	
Aspatria Dreamscheme	5,000	
Brathay Trust	5,000	
Harrington Youth Club	2,400	
Phoenix Youth Project	5,000	
Playground Proms	1,500	
Rock Currock Youth Project	3,963	
Kendal Youth Zone	1,260	
Tall Ships Youth Trust	3,000	
Young Enterprise	2,500	
Feature Youth Club	750	
Ragtag Arts CIC	2,000	
Threlkeld Toddlers	2,500	
Appleby Town Council	3,000	
Alston Recreation	3,000	
Askam Youth Action	4,000	
Eden Ventures	2,405	

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Guide Association Cumbria South	5,000	
SAFA Cumbria	5,000	
Silloth on Solway Sports Association	3,075	
Spiral Preventing Effects of Bullying	5,000	
Starr in the Community CIC	900	
Studio Moorland CIC	1,500	
Time to Share BRVMNT	3,500	
Hadfield Trust Creative Travel Award	2,150	
Woman Up	1,750	
1st Duddon Dalton Church Scout	5,000	
Bardsea Malt Kiln Village Hall	3,000	
Kepplewray Trust	17,000	
Carleton Park Recreation Group	2,000	
RUMIC Foundation Trust	5,000	
Levens Playing Fields	3,000	
Millom Recreation Centre	4,000	
Shackles Off	3,250	
Child Bereavement UK	4,300	
Happy Days Childrens Charity	5,000	
Hensingham ARLFC Trading	3,720	
Stomping Ground CIC	1,340	
Whitehaven Community Trust	5,000	
Broughton Parish Council	2,500	
Project John Ltd	3,500	
Windemere Youth Project	2,000	
		151,128
<i>The Elderly</i>	£	
Age UK West Cumbria	2,200	
Churches Together Penrith	1,300	
Cumbria Community Foundation - Winter Warmth Fund	5,000	
Susie Tate Projects	1,000	
Meals on Wheels Cumbria	1,700	
British Wireless for the Blind	2,380	
ICAN Wellbeing Group CIO	2,500	
RAF Benevolent Fund	1,000	
Cockermouth Linking Lives	2,000	
		19,080
<i>The Arts</i>	£	
South Cumbria Music Festival	2,000	
Drum & Brass CIC	2,300	
Lakeland Sinfonia CIO	1,100	
Rosehill Youth Theatre	3,750	
Space2Create	2,600	
Carlisle Community Choir	1,200	
Cumberland Rag Rugs	1,000	
Cumbria Theatre Trust	4,000	
Islanders Dance Troupe	2,000	
Lake District Summer Music	3,750	

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Orchestras Live	2,500	
Vulture Club	5,000	
Whitehaven Theatre Group	2,500	
Eversley Choral Union	600	
Workington Amateur Operatic Society	3,000	
Cumbria Singers	1,000	
Gosforth Amateur Dramatic Society	500	
Milnthorpe Steel Band	2,000	
		40,800

<i>The Environment</i>	£	
Alston Moor Golf Club	4,216	
Cumbria Badger Vaccination	3,004	
Cumbria Wildlife Trust	2,250	
West Cumbria Rivers Trust	2,000	
Helsington & Brigsteer Village Hall	2,250	
Cumwhitton Parish Community Partnership	3,000	
		16,720

Total Unrestricted Donations made	357,256
Returned donations and retracted pledges	(4,501)
Net Total Unrestricted Donations made	<u>352,755</u>

8 Trustee and Key Management Personnel Remuneration and benefits

Clause 7.8 of the deed bestows power on the trustees to employ any person, firm or company to manage or assist in managing the day to day running of the Trust Fund upon such reasonable terms as the Trustees think fit and to pay, enter into agreements and fix such reasonable salary as the Trustees deem proper and to make all necessary provisions for the payment of pensions on behalf of employees.

9 Paid employees	2024	2023
	£	£
Gross wages	30,833	28,850
Employer's contribution to defined contribution pension scheme	630	578
	<u>31,463</u>	<u>29,428</u>

The charity is required to provide a pension scheme for one employee; the Administrator, only.

Employment Allowance reduced Employer's NIC contributions for the year to nil.

No employee received emoluments in excess of £60,000 (none in 2023).

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Average number of part-time employees in the year:	2024	2023
Charitable activities - administration and support	2	2

10 Governance Costs	2024	2023
	£	£
Accountancy and compliance fees	4,200	4,230
Accountancy and compliance fees - prior year	4,080	0
Tax and Pension Administration fees	1,525	1,420
Audit fees	5,220	5,736
Insurance	1,147	1,141
Legal fee	1,500	540
Panel expenses and meeting room hire	245	485
Trustee expenses - travel	407	0
	<u>18,324</u>	<u>13,552</u>

11 Details of certain expenditure

Trustee Remuneration and benefits

None of the Trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits during the year ended 31st August 2024 or the previous financial year.

Trustee expenses

£407 was reimbursed to one Trustee for travel expenses incurred during the year ended 31st August 2024, with none being incurred during the previous financial year.

12 Investments	<i>Value at 31/08/23</i>	<i>Purchases at cost</i>	<i>Sales proceeds</i>	<i>Realised Gains/(Losses)</i>	<i>Unrealised Gains/(Losses)</i>	<i>Value at 31/08/24</i>
	£	£	£	£	£	£
<i>Listed:</i>						
Overseas	3,502,010	0	489,791	56,167	255,190	3,323,576
UK Fixed Interest & Income	466,563	906,250	929,431	4,691	33,782	481,855
UK Equity & Income	5,105,369	581,985	154,870	27,023	174,933	5,734,441
REITs and Property Funds	126,546	0	0	0	5,649	132,195
	<u>9,200,488</u>	<u>1,488,235</u>	<u>1,574,092</u>	<u>87,881</u>	<u>469,554</u>	<u>9,672,067</u>

13 Current assets	2024	2023
<i>Debtor</i>	£	£
Dividend income receivable	60,842	57,249
	<u>60,842</u>	<u>57,249</u>

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14 Liabilities:	2024	2023
<i>Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year</i>	£	£
Accrual for grants	10,000	50,000
Rathbones Trust Company Ltd	4,675	600
Mitchell Charlesworth (Audit) Limited	5,220	5,220
HM Revenue & Customs	1,047	990
	<u>20,942</u>	<u>56,810</u>
15 Liabilities:	2024	2023
<i>Creditors: Amounts falling due after one year</i>	£	£
Accrual for grants	0	10,000
	<u>0</u>	<u>10,000</u>
16 Financial Instruments	2024	2023
	£	£
Carrying amount of financial assets		
Debt instruments receivable within one year		
- Debtor	60,842	57,249
- Cash	14,834	85,045
	<u>75,676</u>	<u>142,294</u>
Carrying amount of financial liabilities		
Payable within one year		
- Creditors	<u>19,895</u>	<u>55,820</u>
Payable within more than one year		
- Creditors	<u>0</u>	<u>10,000</u>
Instruments measured at fair value through SOFA		
Investments at value	<u>9,672,067</u>	<u>9,200,488</u>

17 Related Party Transactions

Other charitable organisations of which the Trustees of this charity have an interest in are always properly declared and acknowledged during determination of applications. If such a situation arises, the Trustee with the related party interest does not participate in the decision other than to clarify facts.

Amounts paid from the Hadfield Charitable Trust to any such charitable organisations are disclosed in note 7.

As at 31st August 2024 the Trustees had no interest in any charitable organisation affected by the above.

No other disclosures are required for the reporting period.