

THE BATEMANS TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 1072820

Details

Other names	BATEMANS TRUST
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	1998-12-07
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

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Activities

Objects: TO PREVENT OR RELIEVE POVERTY AND ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 22 IN CHENNAI, SOUTH INDIA, BY PROVIDING GRANTS, ITEMS AND SERVICES TO COMMUNITIES AND INDIVIDUALS IN NEED.

Activities: The support and care of disadvantaged young people in and around Chennai, India, We help to advance the young people's educational attainment and maintain and improve their health and quality of life by providing safe and secure accommodation in Indian state-registered homes, We also support young adults in vocational training. Funds are raised from sponsors, grants, gifts and events.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Services
- **What:** Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Accommodation/housing
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** SOUTH INDIA
- India

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-04	£85,349	£75,046	-	-
2024-04-04	£125,369	£83,331	-	-
2023-04-04	£77,825	£86,609	-	-
2022-04-04	£120,108	£70,600	-	-
2021-04-04	£84,864	£156,735	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rebecca Sewell	Chair	2017-02-02
ALEXANDRA MARY JACOB		
Ann Marie Monique Desir		
Jemma Little		2019-01-12
Marion Mills		2021-01-30
Mike Sewell		
Natasha Conlon		2013-01-01
PAUL CROSBY		
Paul Gallagher		2025-02-08
Sarika Jhawar		2023-06-24

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Declaration of Trust dated 14th March 1998 as amended by deed dated 1st May 2000 as amended by deed dated 5th October 2011.

TRUSTEES

Rebecca Sewell (Chair)
Paul Crosby
Anne Desir
Paul Gallagher (appointed 8 February 2025)
Alex Jacob
Vinod Hallan (resigned 4 August 2025)
Sarika Jhawar
Suzanne Kuyser (resigned 22 October 2025)
Jemma Little
Marion Mills (Vice-chair)
Amanda Morris-Drake (deceased October 24)
Natasha Conlon
Michael Sewell

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PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS

Bankers

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Treasurers

Sophie Nottage/Rebecca Sewell (until March 2025), Paul Gallagher (from April 2025)

Independent Examiner

Olayinka Tomori ACA DChA
Longmeade Consult Ltd
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TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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Organisation

The charity is constituted as a Trust and it is governed by a Trust Deed dated 14th March 1998 with the latest amendment dated 5th October 2011.

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Two long-standing trustees resigned this year after many years of dedicated service. Paul Gallagher, who had previously worked as a volunteer with The Batemans Trust in Chennai, was appointed as a new trustee. He has taken on the role of treasurer.

Key management

The day-to-day activities of the charity are managed by the Trustees.

Partner charities

The Satkaarya Trust

The Satkaarya Trust is our sister charity in Chennai. It runs a state registered girls' home and provides holistic care and support for vulnerable girls aged between 6 and 22.

In October 2024, The Satkaarya Trust submitted its application to the Indian authorities for the renewal of its Foreign Contributions Regulation Act (FCRA) registration. The application was refused in February 2025. This did not come as a complete surprise to the trustees as press reports had indicated that the wider political climate in India has led to many hundreds of charities losing their FCRA registration. A reapplication is in the process of being submitted by Satkaarya. We have been informed that we may not hear whether the Satkaarya reapplication has been successful until late 2026 or early 2027. A significant incident report was submitted to The Charities Commission by the chair of trustees.

The denial of the FCRA registration means Satkaarya's FCRA account has been frozen and Satkaarya can no longer receive funds into its FCRA account from outside India.

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The Satkaarya Trust (continued)

Satkaarya Trustees and staff have been successful in securing local CSR and other funding and Satkaarya currently holds sufficient funds in its local account to continue its valuable work running the girls' home. They are actively seeking more funds from local individuals and corporate donors.

Steps have been taken to ensure that Batemans can continue to support our projects while the FCRA reapplication is taking place.

Little Lambs

Little Lambs is a well-established charity based in Chennai which has operated a school for over 25 years, providing education for vulnerable and disadvantaged children. Little Lambs has taken over the management of the wraparound project, with ongoing support from our project director in Chennai. The Batemans Trust funds the wraparound project fully, paying running costs to Little Lambs. The wraparound project provides daily after school activities, tuition, basic health care, and a nutritious meal to street children and other young people who do not have a safe place to go at the end of the school day.

Safeguarding

Annual safeguarding training was carried out with all Satkaarya and Little Lambs staff in Chennai. Batemans trustees and the trustees of our partner charities are all committed to carrying out regular safeguarding audits to ensure all protocols and policies are being followed. No safeguarding incidents have been reported in the last year.

Risks

If Satkaarya's FCRA registration is refused on reapplication, the trustees of the Sakaarya Trust would have to consider new funding models from within India. The Batemans Trust would need to consider partnering with other charities in Chennai and south India which have an FCRA registration and that run projects that meet our charitable aims and objectives.

If the FCRA is not restored this will impact our long-term plan to fund the building of a primary school to be run by The Satkaarya Trust. Legal proceedings may need to be pursued in India to ensure the land owned by Satkaarya and the funds held for the build in Satkaarya's FCRA account are unfrozen so they can be utilised for the purpose they were intended by the Trust.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on Public Benefit when reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and in planning future activities. In particular, the Trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

Summary of main activities for the public benefit

The Charity has very specific objects, which focus solely on the work in Chennai and south India for which it was formed and constituted.

The percentage of cash spent on UK administration is less than 5% of the total income raised each year.

Trustees regularly spend time working with the charity and a number of supporters from the UK have visited our projects, giving very positive reports of their experiences. Any volunteers are properly DBS-cleared with references and are self-funding.

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REVIEW OF THE YEAR – PERFORMANCE AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Summary of main achievements during the year

Despite the denial of the FCRA registration, the Satkaarya Trust continues to be approved by the Chennai authorities and the city's social services team continues to refer children in need to the Satkaarya Girls' Home. Outcomes for the children in our care continue to be excellent, in terms of their emotional wellbeing, educational attainment and health. This year all the children were taken on a holiday to the seaside, a first for many of them. Young people from our care have secured places at higher and further education colleges and have obtained employment, some in large multinational companies, which allows them to be financially independent.

A child admitted to the girls' hostel last year with a life-threatening condition completed a series of operations, funded by the Trust. She was given excellent nursing care back in the girls' home by a specially appointed nurse and made a full recovery. She was able to start school for the first time in her life in October 2025.

Wraparound Project: Outcomes for children attending the wraparound project have been good. School staff have reported better attendance, concentration and engagement during the school day.

Trustees' visits: Trustees Anne Desir, Paul Crosby and Sarika Jhawar are visiting the projects in January 2026.

School build project: Designs have been finalised. Trustees Paul Crosby and Sarika Jhawar are working closely with an India-based architect and a licensed engineer. Plans are due to be submitted to the Chennai planning department in early 2026.

Finance: Income exceeded expenditure this year.

Oversight: Fortnightly meetings continue between Batemans trustees and the Satkaarya project director and administrator to ensure progress is maintained in meeting the trust's annual objectives.

Fundraising: The trustees know they have a duty to raise money for the charity, both for current running costs and to finance the development project.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Income was £85,349 (2024: £125,369), the decrease being because of a £50,004 legacy received in the previous financial year. Expenditure was £75,046 (2024: £83,331), a decrease of £8,285 mainly due to the reduction in grants being paid to Satkaarya in 2024. These activities resulted in a net surplus of £10,303 (2024: £42,038 net surplus) in the year.

Reserves policy

The total funds at the year-end were £136,863 (2024: £126,560) consisting of restricted funds of £1,000, the designated retirement fund of £9,100 and £126,763 of unrestricted general funds (free reserves). The charity's policy is to hold around £20,000 as free reserves (unrestricted general funds less net book value of fixed assets); a sum deemed by the trustees to be appropriate in the light of the commitments of the charity and other uncertainties. The additional funds will be utilised on the various projects being undertaken by the charity in India.

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PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

The Charity intends to monitor the FCRA situation closely and is scenario planning for if the Satkaarya Trust's FCRA registration is permanently cancelled.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual 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 of the charity to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles of 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;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that this basis applies.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping 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 the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations and with the Trust Deed dated 14th March 1998 (and subsequent amendments). 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.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees on 27th January 2026.



Rebecca Sewell
Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
THE BATEMANS TRUST**

I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Batemans Trust for the year ended 31 March 2025.

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').

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.

Independent examiner's statement

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.

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 accounts to be reached.



Olayinka Tomori ACA DChA

27th January 2026

**Longmeade Consult Ltd
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THE BATEMANS TRUST**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

	Notes	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Income and Endowments:					
Donations and Legacies	2	62,797	-	62,797	103,902
Other Trading Activities	3	20,511	-	20,511	19,739
Investment Income (Bank Interest)		2,041	-	2,041	1,728
Total Income and Endowments		<u>85,349</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>85,349</u>	<u>125,369</u>
Expenditure on:	4				
Raising Funds		4,191	-	4,191	3,457
Charitable Activity		70,855	-	70,855	79,874
Total Expenditure		<u>75,046</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>75,046</u>	<u>83,331</u>
Net (expenditure)/income		10,303	-	10,303	42,038
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total fund brought forward		125,560	1,000	126,560	84,522
Total funds carried forward		<u>£135,863</u>	<u>£1,000</u>	<u>£136,863</u>	<u>£126,560</u>

All amounts arise from continuing activities and there are no recognised gains or losses other than those shown above in the Statement of Financial Activities.

The comparative Statement of Financial Activities is shown in Note 9.

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

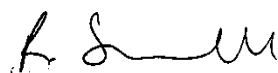
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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	2025		2024	
		£	£	£	£
CURRENT ASSETS					
Prepayments and accrued income		21,235		8,310	
Cash at bank and in hand		125,148		126,770	
		<u>146,383</u>		<u>135,080</u>	
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year		(420)		(420)	
Net Current Assets			145,963		134,660
Total Assets less Current Liabilities					
Provision for liabilities	5		(9,100)		(8,100)
TOTAL ASSETS			<u>£136,863</u>		<u>£126,560</u>
FUNDS					
	6				
Unrestricted Funds:					
General Unrestricted Funds			126,763		117,460
Designated unrestricted funds			9,100		8,100
Restricted Funds:			1,000		1,000
TOTAL FUNDS			<u>£136,863</u>		<u>£126,560</u>

Approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 27th January 2026 and signed on their behalf:



Rebecca Sewell
Trustee

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared 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) (second edition effective 1 January 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Going Concern

The Trustees have assessed whether the use of the going concern assumption is appropriate in preparing these accounts. The Trustees have made this assessment in respect of a period of one year from the date of approval of these accounts and have concluded that there are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern.

Income

Income recognised when receivable or when the charity becomes legally entitled to them and the value can be estimated with reasonable certainty.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Costs of raising funds comprise the costs associated with attracting income and the costs of trading for fundraising purposes. Expenditure on charitable activities includes project donations and other project expenditure incurred in furtherance the purposes of the charity and their associated support costs.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

Creditors and provisions

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the Trustees. Designated unrestricted funds are funds committed by the trustees towards specific purposes. Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor.

Statement of cash flows

As a small charity, Bateman's Trust is exempt from the requirement to produce a Statement of Cash Flows.

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2025 £	2024 £
Gift Aid	9,573	-	9,573	8,310
Grand 100 Campaign		-		-
JustGiving	2,456	-	2,456	1,939
Sponsorship income	22,852	-	22,852	24,136
Tallow Chandlers	5,000	-	5,000	5,000
Wish List	2,764	-	2,764	3,703
Legacy	-	-	-	51,005
Other donations	20,152	-	20,152	9,809
	<u>£62,797</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£62,797</u>	<u>£103,902</u>
2024 Comparative	<u>£103,902</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£103,902</u>	
3. INCOME FROM OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES			2025 £	2024 £
Fund raising events:				
Truck Festival			17,612	14,920
Other events			2,899	4,819
			<u>£20,511</u>	<u>£19,739</u>
4. EXPENDITURE			Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
<i>Fund raising</i>			<u>4,191</u>	<u>3,457</u>
Charitable Activity:				
<i>Support costs</i>				
Bank charges			156	156
Project Consultants' costs			9,671	9,429
Office expenses			40	-
Printing, postage and stationery			1,107	858
Trustee expenses			-	1,615
Independent Examination			420	430
			<u>11,394</u>	<u>12,488</u>
<i>Donations</i>				
Satkaarya			<u>59,461</u>	<u>67,386</u>
Total Charitable Activity			<u>70,855</u>	<u>79,874</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURE			<u>£75,046</u>	<u>£83,331</u>

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5. PROVISION FOR LIABILITIES

The charity has a constructive obligation to provide retirement benefits to consultants working on the projects supported by the charity in India. £9,100 (2024: £8,100) has been set aside for this purpose and the Trustees will revisit this provision on an annual basis. This obligation currently does not have a settlement date.

6. FUNDS

	At 1 April 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers and gains £	At 31 March 2025 £
Restricted Funds:					
Grand 100 Campaign	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
Unrestricted Funds:					
General Fund	117,460	85,349	(75,046)	(1,000)	126,763
Designated Retirement Fund	8,100	-	-	1,000	9,100
	<u>125,560</u>	<u>85,349</u>	<u>(75,046)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>135,863</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>£126,560</u>	<u>£85,349</u>	<u>£(75,046)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>£136,863</u>

The above funds are for the following purposes:

Grand 100 Campaign – Represents funds received towards the cost of the new building project in Chennai, India.

Designated Retirement Fund – Funds set aside by the trustees to provide retirement benefits to consultants working on projects supported by the charity in India.

Comparative Statement of Funds (2024)

	At 1 April 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers and gains £	At 31 March 2024 £
Restricted Funds:					
Grand 100 Campaign	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
Unrestricted Funds:					
General Fund	76,422	125,369	(83,331)	(1,000)	117,460
Designated Retirement Fund	7,100	-	-	1,000	8,100
	<u>83,522</u>	<u>125,369</u>	<u>(83,331)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>125,560</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>£84,522</u>	<u>£125,369</u>	<u>£(83,331)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>£126,560</u>

7. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

All restricted funds and designated funds are held as cash balances. The other net assets of the charity constitute the unrestricted general funds.

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8. TRANSACTIONS WITH TRUSTEES AND RELATED PARTIES

The Trustees did not receive any remuneration or benefits in the current or preceding year for their role as Trustees.

No expenses (2024: £nil) were paid or reimbursed to any (2024: None) Trustee in the year.

9. COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (31 MARCH 2024)

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	£	£	2024
			£
Income and Endowments:			
Donations and Legacies	103,902	-	103,902
Other Trading Activities	19,739	-	19,739
Investment Income (Bank Interest)	1,728	-	1,728
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Total Income and Endowments	125,369	-	125,369
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Expenditure on:			
Raising Funds	3,457	-	3,457
Charitable Activity	79,874	-	79,874
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Total Expenditure	83,331	-	83,331
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Net (expenditure)/income	42,038	-	42,038
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Reconciliation of funds:			
Total fund brought forward	83,522	1,000	84,522
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The Satkaarya Trust. This Trust, a sister charity to Batemans, is set up in line with the legislation in India and is authorised to receive funds from UK. A third trustee with experience of working not for profit organisations has recently been appointed to the Satkaarya Board (in September 2024) which will strengthen the board and bring experience of local fundraising.

The Satkaarya Trust submitted its application to the Indian authorities for the renewal of its Foreign Contributions Regulation Act (FCRA) registration in October 2024 and a response is expected by the end of January 2025.

Satkaarya Trustees have secured funding for the project from the US-based charity Invisible Girl Project, which is sponsoring nine girls in the hostel. Batemans Trust trustees carried out due diligence to ensure that the aims and values of IGP aligned with our own and that there would be no conflict of interest. Funding has been secured initially for four months from October 24 – January 25 after which IGC trustees will consider if they wish to commit to further funding.

Satkaarya Trustees and staff continue to look for local funding. The project administrator is an active member of the Chennai BNI, which offers networking opportunities to meet local corporate and individual donors.

Safeguarding

Safeguarding training was carried out with all staff in Chennai and Batemans and Satkaarya trustees are committed to carrying out regular safeguarding audits to ensure all protocols are being followed.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (continued)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

Risks

Trustees await the renewal of the Satkaarya Trust's FCRA licence, which grants permission to receive funds from abroad. If this is refused, as has happened to several high-profile NGOs over the past few years, the Satkaarya Trust will no longer be able to receive funds from the Batemans Trust. Should this happen, there would be an opportunity to appeal, but trustees in the UK and India have considered alternative models for funding the project both in the short and long term.

Revenue from regular income streams continues to cover the needs of the charity's day-to-day work in India. The closure of the boys' hostel did not have a negative impact on our fundraising capabilities.

Our project director, Monica Augustine, and project administrator, Raghland Samuel, remain key to the successful operation of most aspects of the work. New professional members of staff, such as counsellors, have recently been employed with the aim of strengthening the management structure.

The purchased land has now been 'regularised' according to local planning rules and permission to build a domestic building, which can be used as pre-school, is awaited. Once this is granted, further permission to build a primary school building can then be sought. This is an achievement but progress is, however, very slow and it is difficult to set a timeline which makes planning challenging.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on Public Benefit when reviewing the charity's aim and objectives and in planning future activities. In particular, the Trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

Summary of main activities for the public benefit

The Charity has very specific objects, which focus solely on the work in Chennai for which it was formed and constituted.

The percentage of cash spent on UK administration is less than 5% of the total raised.

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Trustees regularly spend time working with the charity and a number of students and young people have spent time working with the children and staff with great success. Volunteers are properly DBS-cleared with references and are self-funding.

THE BATEMANS TRUST

TRUSTEES' REPORT (continued)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

REVIEW OF THE YEAR – PERFORMANCE AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Summary of main achievements during the year

The charity continues to be approved by the Chennai authorities and the city's social services team continues to refer children in need to Batemans. Outcomes for the children in our care are excellent, in terms of their emotional wellbeing, educational attainment and health. Young people from our care have secured places at higher and further education colleges and have obtained employment, some in large multinational companies, which allows them to be financially independent. The Satkaarya Trust continues to offer a range of extra-curricular activities and trips which enhance the children's lives. The Child Welfare Board in Chennai reissued its licence for the Girls' Hostel in January 2024.

A new child admitted to the girls' hostel this year has a significant health condition, which would be life-threatening without ongoing surgery. She has undergone several operations and is making good progress. Her treatment is paid for via funds from the Batemans Trust and local donations.

Outreach Programme: This has had another successful year. Local families are highly appreciative of the services offered by the programme to pre-school children and have reported positive outcomes for their children.

Wraparound Project: An after-school project for street children and those without safe homes has been set up to offer a haven for them to come to after schools close each day. It runs from the Satkaarya office premises, which previously housed the boys' hostel. Children are identified by a local social worker and come to programme for activities, support with schoolwork, a healthy meal and a bath.

Trustees' visits: In November 2023 two Batemans trustees, both practising architects, visited to review progress on the build project. In January 2024, another trustee visited the project in Chennai to review the annual action plan and write the 24-25 action plan.

School project: The purchased land has now been 'regularised' according to local planning rules and permission to build a domestic building and pre-school is awaited. Once this is granted, further permission to build a school building can then be sought.

Finance: Income exceeded expenditure this year.

Oversight: Fortnightly meetings have been put in place between Batemans trustees and the Satkaarya project director and administrator to ensure progress is maintained on meeting the trust's annual objectives.

Fundraising: The trustees know they have a duty to raise money for the charity, both for current running costs and to finance the development project.

Amanda Morris-Drake: It is with immense sadness that we report that trustee, Amanda Morris-Drake, died suddenly from cancer in October 2024. She was a highly valued member of the team and will be greatly missed by all the Batemans-Satkaarya family.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Income was £125,369 (2023: £77,825), the increase substantially a result of a £50,004 legacy received in the financial year. Expenditure was £83,331 (2023: £86,609), the small decrease of £3,278 mainly due to higher grants being paid to Satkaarya in 2023. These activities resulted in net surplus of £42,038 (2023: £8,784 net deficit) in the year; principally as a result of the legacy received in the year.

Reserves Policy

The total funds at the year-end were £126,560 (2023: £84,522) consisting of restricted funds of £1,000, the designated retirement fund of £8,100 and £117,460 of unrestricted general funds (free reserves). The charity's policy is to hold around £20,000 as free reserves (unrestricted general funds less net book value of fixed assets); a sum deemed by the trustees to be appropriate in the light of the commitments of the charity and other uncertainties. The additional funds will be utilised on the various projects being undertaken by the charity in India.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (continued)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

The Charity intends to continue raising funds in support of education and building projects in Chennai, India.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

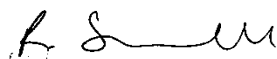
The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles of 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;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that this basis applies.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping 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 the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations and with the Trust Deed dated 14th March 1998 (and subsequent amendments). 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.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees on 4th January 2025.



Rebecca Sewell
Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
THE BATEMANS TRUST**

I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Batemans Trust for the year ended 31 March 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').

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.

Independent examiner's statement

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.

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 accounts to be reached.



Olayinka Tomori ACA DChA

6th January 2025

**Longmeade Consult Ltd
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THE BATEMANS TRUST
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Income and Endowments:					
Donations and Legacies	2	103,902	-	103,902	58,425
Other Trading Activities	3	19,739	-	19,739	19,097
Investment Income (Bank Interest)		1,728	-	1,728	303
Total Income and Endowments		<u>125,369</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>125,369</u>	<u>77,825</u>
Expenditure on:					
Raising Funds	4	3,457	-	3,457	3,070
Charitable Activity		79,874	-	79,874	83,539
Total Expenditure		<u>83,331</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>83,331</u>	<u>86,609</u>
Net (expenditure)/income		42,038	-	42,038	(8,784)
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total fund brought forward		83,522	1,000	84,522	93,306
Total funds carried forward		<u>£125,560</u>	<u>£1,000</u>	<u>£126,560</u>	<u>£84,522</u>

All amounts arise from continuing activities and there are no recognised gains or losses other than those shown above in the Statement of Financial Activities.

The comparative Statement of Financial Activities is shown in Note 9.

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

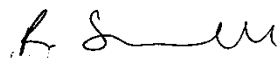
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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	2024		2023	
		£	£	£	£
CURRENT ASSETS					
Prepayments and accrued income		8,310		18,420	
Cash at bank and in hand		126,770		73,562	
		<u>135,080</u>		<u>91,982</u>	
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year		(420)		(360)	
Net Current Assets			134,660		91,622
Total Assets less Current Liabilities					
Provision for liabilities	5		(8,100)		(7,100)
TOTAL ASSETS			<u>£126,560</u>		<u>£84,522</u>
FUNDS					
	6				
Unrestricted Funds:					
General Unrestricted Funds			117,460		76,422
Designated unrestricted funds			8,100		7,100
Restricted Funds:			1,000		1,000
TOTAL FUNDS			<u>£126,560</u>		<u>£84,522</u>

Approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 4th January 2025 and signed on their behalf:



Rebecca Sewell
Trustee

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

THE BATEMANS TRUST

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared 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) (second edition effective 1 January 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Going Concern

The Trustees have assessed whether the use of the going concern assumption is appropriate in preparing these accounts. The Trustees have made this assessment in respect of a period of one year from the date of approval of these accounts and have concluded that there are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern.

Income

Income recognised when receivable or when the charity becomes legally entitled to them and the value can be estimated with reasonable certainty.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Costs of raising funds comprise the costs associated with attracting income and the costs of trading for fundraising purposes. Expenditure on charitable activities includes project donations and other project expenditure incurred in furtherance the purposes of the charity and their associated support costs.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

Creditors and provisions

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the Trustees. Designated unrestricted funds are funds committed by the trustees towards specific purposes. Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor.

Statement of cash flows

As a small charity, Bateman's Trust is exempt from the requirement to produce a Statement of Cash Flows.

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2024 £	2023 £
Gift Aid	8,310	-	8,310	8,420
Grand 100 Campaign	-	-	-	1,000
JustGiving	1,939	-	1,939	5,927
Sponsorship income	24,136	-	24,136	25,372
Tallow Chandlers	5,000	-	5,000	5,000
Wish List	3,703	-	3,703	5,254
Legacy	51,005	-	51,005	-
Other donations	9,809	-	9,809	7,452
	<u>£103,902</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£103,902</u>	<u>£58,425</u>
2023 Comparative	<u>£57,425</u>	<u>£1,000</u>	<u>£58,425</u>	
3. INCOME FROM OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES			2024 £	2023 £
Fund raising events:				
Truck Festival			14,920	13,700
Other events			4,819	5,397
			<u>£19,739</u>	<u>£19,097</u>
4. EXPENDITURE			Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
<i>Fund raising</i>			<u>3,457</u>	<u>3,070</u>
Charitable Activity:				
<i>Support costs</i>				
Bank charges			156	221
Project Consultants' costs			9,429	8,460
Printing, postage and stationery			858	943
Professional fees			-	132
Trustee expenses			1,615	-
Independent Examination			430	360
			<u>12,488</u>	<u>10,116</u>
<i>Donations</i>				
Satkaarya			<u>67,386</u>	<u>73,423</u>
Total Charitable Activity			<u>79,874</u>	<u>83,539</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURE			<u>£83,331</u>	<u>£86,609</u>

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

5. PROVISION FOR LIABILITIES

The charity has a constructive obligation to provide retirement benefits to consultants working on the projects supported by the charity in India. £8,100 (2023: £7,100) has been set aside for this purpose and the Trustees will revisit this provision on an annual basis. This obligation currently does not have a settlement date.

6. FUNDS

	At 1 April 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers and gains £	At 31 March 2024 £
Restricted Funds:					
Grand 100 Campaign	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
Unrestricted Funds:					
General Fund	76,422	125,369	(83,331)	(1,000)	117,460
Designated Retirement Fund	7,100	-	-	1,000	8,100
	83,522	125,369	(83,331)	-	125,560
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>£84,522</u>	<u>£125,369</u>	<u>£(83,331)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>£126,560</u>

The above funds are for the following purposes:

Grand 100 Campaign – Represents funds received towards the cost of the new building project in Chennai, India.

Designated Retirement Fund – Funds set aside by the trustees to provide retirement benefits to consultants working on projects supported by the charity in India.

Comparative Statement of Funds (2023)

	At 1 April 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers and gains £	At 31 March 2023 £
Restricted Funds:					
Grand 100 Campaign	-	1,000	-	-	1,000
Unrestricted Funds:					
General Fund	87,206	76,825	(86,609)	(1,000)	76,422
Designated Retirement Fund	6,100	-	-	1,000	7,100
	93,306	76,825	(86,609)	-	83,522
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>£93,306</u>	<u>£77,825</u>	<u>£(86,609)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>£84,522</u>

7. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

All restricted funds and designated funds are held as cash balances. The other net assets of the charity constitute the unrestricted general funds.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

8. TRANSACTIONS WITH TRUSTEES AND RELATED PARTIES

The Trustees did not receive any remuneration or benefits in the current or preceding year for their role as Trustees.

No expenses (2023: £nil) were paid or reimbursed to any (2023: None) Trustee in the year.

9. COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (31 MARCH 2023)

	Notes	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2023 £
Income and Endowments:				
Donations and Legacies		57,425	1,000	58,425
Other Trading Activities		19,097	-	19,097
Investment Income (Bank Interest)		303	-	303
Total Income and Endowments		<u>76,825</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>77,825</u>
Expenditure on:				
Raising Funds		3,070	-	3,070
Charitable Activity		83,539	-	83,539
Total Expenditure		<u>86,609</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>86,609</u>
Net (expenditure)/income		(9,784)	1,000	(8,784)
Reconciliation of funds:				
Total fund brought forward		93,306	-	93,306
Total funds carried forward		<u>£83,522</u>	<u>£1,000</u>	<u>£84,522</u>

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**TRUSTEES' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

THE BATEMANS TRUST

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

STATUS

Declaration of Trust dated 14th March 1998 as amended by deed dated 1st May 2000 as amended by deed dated 5th October 2011.

TRUSTEES

Rebecca Sewell (Chair)
Jacqueline Cox
Paul Crosby
Anne Desir
Alex Jacob
Vinod Hallan
Sarika Jhawar (appointed 24 June 2023)
Suzanne Kuysler
Jemma Little
Marion Mills
Amanda Morris-Drake
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TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

The Trustees present the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023. These have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and the 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) (second edition effective 1 January 2019) and comply with the charity's Trust Deed.

OBJECTIVES

The charity's objects are "to prevent or relieve poverty and advance the education of children under the age of 22 in Chennai, South India, by providing grants, items and services to communities and individuals in need".

The charity aims to support and care for disadvantaged young people in and around Chennai, India. We help to advance the young people's educational attainment and maintain and improve their health and quality of life by providing safe and secure accommodation in Indian state-registered homes. We also support young adults in vocational training. Funds are raised from sponsors, grants, gifts and events.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Organisation

The charity is constituted as a Trust and it is governed by a Trust Deed dated 14th March 1998 with the latest amendment dated 5th October 2011.

Recruitment and appointment of Trustees

Trustees are elected by existing Trustees and are selected from those who already have a good knowledge of the work of the charity and preferably have spent time in India with the charity or have special skills and experience which will assist in the governance of the charity. The need for a range of skills within the Trustee body is a major consideration in Trustee selection. Specific areas of responsibility are agreed by the Trustees to spread the considerable amount of voluntary work. Maintenance of accounting records is carried out by an accountant on a *pro bono* basis.

Key management

The day-to-day activities of the charity are managed by the Trustees.

Partner charity

The Satkaarya Trust. This Trust, a sister charity to Batemans, is set up in line with the legislation in India and is authorised to receive funds from UK. Two new trustees have recently been appointed to the Satkaarya Board (in January 2024) who have experience in accounting and working with vulnerable children respectively.

The Satkaarya Trust is in the process of reapplying for the renewal of its FCRA registration in October 2024.

Satkaarya Trustees are looking for funding streams from within India so the trust is not so dependent on funding from the UK in order to carry out its charitable purposes.

Serious Incident Reporting

In June 2023, Batemans reported a serious incident to the Charity Commission, concerning a safeguarding issue at the boys' hostel. The Charity Commission was satisfied with the response of the Batemans Trust and no further action was taken by the Commission. The Satkaarya Trust trustees and staff co-operated fully with the police investigation in India and the case is now closed.

In light of this incident, all safeguarding policies and practices were reviewed by both Satkaarya and Batemans trustees. It was found that the Satkaarya Trust had complied with all Indian safeguarding legislation and practices and with their own internal policies. However, the Satkaarya Trust reluctantly took the decision to close the boys' hostel as it was felt it could not be staffed safely under current regulations.

The Batemans Trust reviewed our role as the primary funder of the Satkaarya Trust and concluded that we will continue to fund the work of Satkaarya Trust while continuing to support Satkaarya to meet the highest standards.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (continued)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

Risks

Revenue from regular income streams continues to cover the needs of the charity's day-to-day work in India. However, there is a risk that delays in starting our major building project and the safeguarding incident mentioned earlier will negatively impact the reputation of the charity and affect our fundraising capabilities.

Our project manager Monica Augustine is key to the successful operation of most aspects of the work. Should she leave us, the charity would be vulnerable to a fall in standards and communication, which would require a replacement to be trained and monitored. However, some of the risk has been reduced by the fact that Monica's deputy, Raghland Samuel, is highly influential and trustworthy.

Further to the purchase of land in March 2018 and July 2020, where we intend to build a new primary school and hostel, our project administrator has been working to obtain the necessary planning consents.

This has proved incredibly challenging. Initial permissions to build were sought and granted from the local village authority (known as the panchayat). However when preparations were made to submit plans to the city authorities, our project administrator was informed that the permissions granted by the panchayat were not in order and a further process of 'regularisation' was required. In addition, the Trust is committed to carrying out the development of the building project in accordance with our ethical values and therefore the process for obtaining relevant permissions is slower than it might otherwise be. The architect in India with whom we are working, Suhasini Ayers, has seemed unsurprised by these setbacks and remains confident that permissions will eventually be granted.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on Public Benefit when reviewing the charity's aim and objectives and in planning future activities. In particular, the Trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

Summary of main activities for the public benefit

The Charity has very specific objects, which focus solely on the work in Chennai for which it was formed and constituted. To reduce the rising cost of rents and payment of the fees for mainstream schools, the Trustees need to have their own buildings, and to be able to use these to operate their own school. The new premises should generate income and thereby greatly reduce the dependence on charitable donations from the UK.

The percentage of cash spent on UK administration is less than 5% of the total raised.

The transmission of funds to India is made through the authorised "foreign contributions" arrangement for which the Charity has qualified. This has been achieved by creating a separate Indian sister charity called the Satkaarya Trust. Foreign contributions from The Batemans Trust in the UK go to the Satkaarya Trust in India and are fully accounted for and audited, and the details submitted for checking by the accountant. The Satkaarya expenditure includes educational fees, hostel costs, rents, the outreach programme, staff salaries and outings and is checked by trustees in the UK and also by an auditor in India.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (continued)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

REVIEW OF THE YEAR – PERFORMANCE AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Summary of main achievements during the year

The charity continues to be approved by the Chennai authorities and the city's social services team continues to refer children in need to Batemans. Outcomes for the children in our care are good, both in terms of their emotional wellbeing and educational attainment. Young people from our care have secured places at higher and further education colleges and have obtained employment, which allows them to be financially independent. All children who took part in public examinations passed them, some achieving exceptional results. Satkaarya continues to offer a range of extra-curricular activities and trips which enhance the children's lives. The Child Welfare Board in Chennai re-issued the licence for the Girls' Hostel in January 2024.

Outreach Programme: In summer 2022, the Satkaarya Trust launched an outreach programme on the land owned by Satkaarya. The programme offers early years education to pre-school children, as well as basic health and hygiene workshops for local families. The appointed social worker has built up good relationships with local vulnerable families.

Trustees' visits: In February 2023, two Batemans trustees visited the project in Chennai. They found the children and young people well-cared for and happy. The offer in terms of education, extra-curricular activities and pastoral care was exceptional.

Water treatment plant: A water treatment plant was installed on the roof of the girls' hostel providing a reliable source of clean water. Girls had been regularly falling sick, particularly during local flooding, just by washing in the tap water so this is of a major benefit for the children. It will also have financial benefits as bottled water will no longer be required.

Finance: Income did not meet expenditure this year. However, a carry forward from 2021-2022 allowed us to meet the budget submitted by Satkaarya.

Oversight: Regular monthly reports to trustees are submitted by our project director Monica Augustine. Our chair of trustees, and other trustees, are also in regular contact with her.

Fundraising: The trustees know they have a duty to raise money for the charity, both for current running costs and to finance the development project.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Income was £77,825 (2022: £120,108), the reduction mainly a result of a £25,000 legacy received in the previous financial year and some key donors in that year not making contributions in 2022-23. Expenditure was £86,609 (2022: £70,600), the increase of £18,168 mainly due to having to pay for school fees, extra-curricular activities and transport cost again post Covid. These activities resulted in net deficit of £8,784 (2022: £49,508 net surplus) in the year.

Reserves Policy

The total funds at the year-end were £84,522 (2022: £93,306) consisting of restricted funds of £1,000, the designated retirement fund of £7,100 and £76,422 of unrestricted general funds (free reserves). The charity's policy is to hold around £20,000, as free reserves (unrestricted general funds less net book value of fixed assets); a sum deemed by the trustees to be appropriate in the light of the commitments of the charity and other uncertainties. The additional funds will be utilised on the various projects being undertaken by the charity in India.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (continued)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

The Charity intends to continue raising funds in support of education and building projects in Chennai, India.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

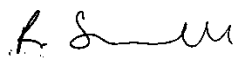
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- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP;
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Signed on behalf of the Trustees on 22nd January 2024.



Rebecca Sewell
Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
THE BATEMANS TRUST**

I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Batemans Trust for the year ended 31 March 2023.

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').

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.

Independent examiner's statement

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.

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 accounts to be reached.



Olayinka Tomori ACA DChA

22nd January 2024

**Longmeade Consult Ltd
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Kent, DA2 6QD**

THE BATEMANS TRUST**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

	Notes	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Income and Endowments:					
Donations and Legacies	2	57,425	1,000	58,425	111,831
Other Trading Activities	3	19,097	-	19,097	8,272
Investment Income (Bank Interest)		303	-	303	5
Total Income and Endowments		<u>76,825</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>77,825</u>	<u>120,108</u>
Expenditure on:					
	4				
Raising Funds		3,070	-	3,070	322
Charitable Activity		83,539	-	83,539	70,278
Total Expenditure		<u>86,609</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>86,609</u>	<u>70,600</u>
Net (expenditure)/income		(9,784)	1,000	(8,784)	49,508
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total fund brought forward		93,306	-	93,306	43,798
Total funds carried forward		<u>£83,522</u>	<u>£1,000</u>	<u>£84,522</u>	<u>£93,306</u>

All amounts arise from continuing activities and there are no recognised gains or losses other than those shown above in the Statement of Financial Activities.

The comparative Statement of Financial Activities is shown in Note 9.

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

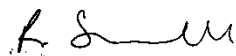
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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	£	2023	£	£	2022	£
CURRENT ASSETS							
Prepayments and accrued income			18,420			11,303	
Cash at bank and in hand			73,562			88,403	
			<u>91,982</u>			<u>99,706</u>	
CURRENT LIABILITIES							
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year			(360)			(300)	
Net Current Assets					91,622		99,406
Total Assets less Current Liabilities							
Provision for liabilities	5			(7,100)			(6,100)
TOTAL ASSETS				<u>£84,522</u>			<u>£93,306</u>
FUNDS							
	6						
Unrestricted Funds:							
General Unrestricted Funds				76,422			87,206
Designated unrestricted funds				7,100			6,100
Restricted Funds:				1,000			-
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>£84,522</u>			<u>£93,306</u>

Approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 22nd January 2024 and signed on their behalf:



Rebecca Sewell
Trustee

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

THE BATEMANS TRUST

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared 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) (second edition effective 1 January 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Going Concern

The Trustees have assessed whether the use of the going concern assumption is appropriate in preparing these accounts. The Trustees have made this assessment in respect of a period of one year from the date of approval of these accounts and have concluded that there are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern.

Income

Income recognised when receivable or when the charity becomes legally entitled to them and the value can be estimated with reasonable certainty.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Costs of raising funds comprise the costs associated with attracting income and the costs of trading for fundraising purposes. Expenditure on charitable activities includes the costs of performances, exhibitions and other educational activities undertaken to further the purposes of the charity and their associated support costs.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

Creditors and provisions

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the Trustees. Designated unrestricted funds are funds committed by the trustees towards specific purposes. Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor.

Statement of cash flows

As a small charity, Bateman's Trust is exempt from the requirement to produce a Statement of Cash Flows.

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2023 £	2022 £
Gift Aid	8,420	-	8,420	11,303
Grand 100 Campaign	-	1,000	1,000	-
JustGiving	5,927	-	5,927	15,028
Wren Hoskins-Abrahall	-	-	-	3,000
Sponsorship income	25,372	-	25,372	25,480
Tallow Chandlers	5,000	-	5,000	5,000
Wish List	5,254	-	5,254	7,018
Legacy	-	-	-	25,000
Other donations	7,452	-	7,452	20,002
	<u>£57,425</u>	<u>£1,000</u>	<u>£58,425</u>	<u>£111,831</u>

Donations and legacies in the year ended 31 March 2022 were all unrestricted funds including a £25,000 legacy from the estate of Mary Stark.

3. INCOME FROM OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES	2023 £	2022 £
Fund raising events:		
Curry Lunch	-	1,211
Truck	13,700	-
Other events	5,397	7,061
	<u>£19,097</u>	<u>£8,272</u>

4. EXPENDITURE	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
<i>Fund raising</i>	<u>3,070</u>	<u>322</u>
Charitable Activity:		
<i>Support costs</i>		
Bank charges	221	132
Project Consultants' costs	8,460	12,711
Printing, postage and stationery	943	957
Professional fees	132	923
Independent Examination	360	300
	<u>10,116</u>	<u>15,023</u>
<i>Donations</i>		
Satkaarya	<u>73,423</u>	<u>55,255</u>
Total Charitable Activity	<u>83,539</u>	<u>70,278</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	<u>£86,609</u>	<u>£70,600</u>

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

5. PROVISION FOR LIABILITIES

The charity has a constructive obligation to provide retirement benefits to consultants working on the projects supported by the charity in India. £7,100 (2022: £6,100) has been set aside for this purpose and the Trustees will revisit this provision on an annual basis. This obligation currently does not have a settlement date.

6. FUNDS

	At 1 April 2022	Income	Expenditure	Transfers and gains	At 31 March 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Restricted Funds:					
Grand 100 Campaign	-	1,000	-	-	1,000
Unrestricted Funds:					
General Fund	87,206	76,825	(86,609)	(1,000)	76,422
Designated Retirement Fund	6,100	-	-	1,000	7,100
	<u>93,306</u>	<u>76,825</u>	<u>(86,609)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>83,522</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>£93,306</u>	<u>£77,825</u>	<u>£(86,609)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>£84,522</u>

The above funds are for the following purposes:

Grand 100 Campaign – Represents funds received towards the cost of the new building project in Chennai, India.

Designated Retirement Fund – Funds set aside by the trustees to provide retirement benefits to consultants working on projects supported by the charity in India.

Comparative Statement of Funds (2022)

	At 1 April 2022	Income	Expenditure	Transfers and gains	At 31 March 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds:					
General Fund	38,298	120,108	(70,600)	(600)	87,206
Designated Retirement Fund	5,500	-	-	600	6,100
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>£43,798</u>	<u>£120,108</u>	<u>£(70,600)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>£93,306</u>

7. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

All restricted funds and designated funds are held as cash balances. The other net assets of the charity constitute the unrestricted general funds.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

8. TRANSACTIONS WITH TRUSTEES AND RELATED PARTIES

The Trustees did not receive any remuneration or benefits in the current or preceding year for their role as Trustees.

No expenses (2022: £nil) were paid or reimbursed to any (2022: None) Trustee in the year.

9. COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (31 MARCH 2022)

	Total 2022 Unrestricted £
Income and Endowments:	
Donations and Legacies	111,831
Other Trading Activities	8,272
Investment Income (Bank Interest)	5
Total Income and Endowments	<u>120,108</u>
Expenditure on:	
Raising Funds	322
Charitable Activity	70,278
Total Expenditure	<u>70,600</u>
Net income/(expenditure)	49,508
Reconciliation of funds:	
Total fund brought forward	43,798
Total funds carried forward	<u><u>£93,306</u></u>

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TRUSTEES' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

STATUS

Declaration of Trust dated 14th March 1998 as amended by deed dated 1st May 2000 as amended by deed dated 5th October 2011.

TRUSTEES

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Jacqueline Cox
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Alex Jacob
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TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

The Trustees present the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2022. These have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and the 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) (second edition effective 1 January 2019) and comply with the charity's Trust Deed.

OBJECTIVES

The charity's objects are "to prevent or relieve poverty and advance the education of children under the age of 22 in Chennai, South India, by providing grants, items and services to communities and individuals in need".

The charity aims to support and care for disadvantaged young people in and around Chennai, India. We help to advance the young people's educational attainment and maintain and improve their health and quality of life by providing safe and secure accommodation in Indian state-registered homes. We also support young adults in vocational training. Funds are raised from sponsors, grants, gifts and events.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Organisation

The charity is constituted as a Trust and it is governed by a Trust Deed dated 14th March 1998 with the latest amendment dated 5th October 2011.

Recruitment and appointment of Trustees

Trustees are elected by existing Trustees and are selected from those who already have a good knowledge of the work of the charity and preferably have spent time in India with the charity or have special skills and experience which will assist in the governance of the charity. The need for a range of skills within the Trustee body is a major consideration in Trustee selection. Specific areas of responsibility are agreed by the Trustees to spread the considerable amount of voluntary work. Maintenance of accounting records is carried out by an accountant on a *pro bono* basis.

Key management

The day-to-day activities of the charity are managed by the Trustees.

Partner charity

The Satkaarya Trust. This Trust, a sister charity to Batemans, is set up in line with the legislation in India and is authorised to receive funds from UK. It is working well and has its own Trustees and runs the activities in India on behalf of The Batemans Trust. Satkaarya reapplied for and was granted the renewal of its FCRA registration in May 2020.

Risks

Income from regular income streams continues to cover the needs of the charity's day-to-day work in India, although the impact of COVID-19, rising costs in India and changes in exchange rates between the UK pound and Indian Rupee create uncertainty.

The screening of volunteers is vital and the trustees have ensured that adequate procedures are in place, particularly with regard to child protection. Policies and procedures were approved by the Charity Commission in 2009 and are regularly reviewed. The trustees take special care when accepting volunteers under 22 but when such volunteers are known to trustees they have been a great help. Experienced older people who can stay longer are usually more help in the day-to-day activities. During the year to March 2022 no volunteers or trustees visited Chennai, owing to COVID lockdown restrictions.

Our project manager Monica Augustine is key to the successful operation of most aspects of the work. Should she leave us, the charity would be vulnerable to a fall in standards and communication, which would require a replacement to be trained and monitored. However, some of the risk has been reduced by the fact that Monica's deputy, Raghland Samuel, is highly influential and trustworthy.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (continued)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

Risks (continued)

Further to the purchase of land in March 2018 and July 2020, where we intend to build a new primary school and hostel, our project administrator has been working to obtain the necessary planning consents. Progress on applying for and obtaining the relevant permissions continued to be held up by COVID as the planning department in Chennai remained closed for much of the year and was not accepting new applications. In addition, the Trust is committed to carrying out the development of the building project in accordance with our ethical values and therefore the process for obtaining relevant permissions is slower than it might otherwise be. Since March 2022, good progress has been made in securing change of use for the land and we are assured by our Chennai-based architect that there is little more we can do to speed things up any further.

The COVID pandemic continued to cause some upheaval, with schools in Chennai shut down for part of the year. Staff continued with home learning and ensured all health and safety measures and precautions were followed by staff and children alike.

Finally, there is a continued potential reputational risk to the charity as a result of negative publicity about some charities that run residential operations abroad. Batemans firmly believes the best place for children to live is at home with their families and we emphasise in our publicity material that we only recommend children should stay in the stable, secure environment offered by our hostels when it is not possible for them to be at home. We also emphasise that our hostels are registered with the Chennai Child Welfare Board, and that the city's social services team refer children to our hostels.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on Public Benefit when reviewing the charity's aim and objectives and in planning future activities. In particular, the Trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

Summary of main activities for the public benefit

The Charity has very specific objects, which focus solely on the work in Chennai for which it was formed and constituted. To reduce the rising cost of rents and payment of the fees for mainstream schools, the Trustees need to have their own buildings, and to be able to use these to operate their own school. The new premises should generate income and thereby greatly reduce the dependence on charitable donations from the UK.

The percentage of cash spent on UK administration is less than 5% of the total raised.

The transmission of funds to India is made through the authorised "foreign contributions" arrangement for which the Charity has qualified. This has been achieved by creating a separate Indian sister charity called the Satkaarya Trust. Foreign contributions from The Batemans Trust in the UK go to the Satkaarya Trust in India and are fully accounted for and audited, and the details submitted for checking by the accountant. The Satkaarya expenditure includes the Open School and educational fees, hostel costs, rents, some salaries and outings and is checked by trustees in the UK and also by an auditor in India.

When travel is permitted, Trustees regularly spend time working with the charity and a number of students and young people have spent time working with the children and staff with great success. Volunteers are properly DBS-cleared with references and are self-funding.

REVIEW OF THE YEAR – PERFORMANCE AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Summary of main achievements during the year

The charity continues to be approved by the Chennai authorities and the city's social services team continues to refer children in need to us. Outcomes for the children in our care are good both in terms of their emotional wellbeing and educational attainment. Young people from our care have secured places at higher and further education colleges and have obtained employment, which allows them to be financially independent. All children who took part in public examinations passed them, some achieving exceptional results. In addition, the team in Chennai prepared for the launch of an outreach project, using the charity's land as a base to reach young children and their families in the area. A job description was created for the role of social worker and the recruitment process proved successful with the new appointee starting his role in summer 2022.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (continued)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

Summary of main achievements during the year (continued)

Finance: An exceptional year for fundraising, helped by a major legacy, ensured that revenues for the charity were the highest for a number of years. This, coupled with the fact that we did not pay as much on school and transport fees as we expected, meant that a healthy surplus was achieved during the year. Close financial control in India has been, and will continue to be, exercised without detriment to the young people's care or education. And the trustees remain committed to ensuring that administrative spending in the UK should account for no more than around 5% of our total spending. All surplus funds were transferred into our deposit account to be used on future projects.

Oversight: Regular monthly reports to trustees are submitted by the project director Monica Augustine. Our chair of trustees, and other trustees, are also in regular contact with her.

Fundraising: The trustees know they have a duty to raise money for the charity, both for current running costs and to finance the development project.

Grand 100 fundraising campaign: Having raised enough money for the first phase of the building project, this campaign is currently on hold. We expect that it will be relaunched when more progress has been made on the building project.

Development project: An additional plot of land adjacent to the plot purchased in 2018 was bought in July 2020. This will allow the school and hostel/boarding house to be built on separate sites, which will significantly reduce planning issues and give increased flexibility as to how the school building can be used. Building work has yet to begin, as previously mentioned, but trustee Paul Crosby is working closely with architect Suhasini Ayer of Auroville Design to finalise plans and ensure they meet all national and local planning regulations. . Since March 2022, good progress has been made in achieving change of use for the land and we are assured by our Chennai-based architect that there is little more we can do to speed things up any further.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

There was a surplus of £49,508 (2021: £71,871 deficit) in the year. Income was £120,108 (2021: £84,864), the rise being stimulated by increased donations including a legacy of £25,000. Expenditure was £70,600 (2021: £156,735), the difference from the previous year mainly a result of the transfer of £98,000 to Satkaarya for the purchase of a property in 2020-21.

Reserves Policy

The total funds at the year-end was £93,306 (2021: £43,798) consisting of the designated retirement fund of £6,100 and £87,206 of unrestricted general funds (free reserves). The charity's policy is to hold around £20,000 as free reserves (unrestricted general funds less net book value of fixed assets); a sum deemed by the trustees to be appropriate in the light of the commitments of the charity and other uncertainties. The additional funds will be utilised on the various projects being undertaken by the charity in India.

THE BATEMANS TRUST

TRUSTEES' REPORT (continued)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

The Charity intends to continue raising funds in support of education and building projects in Chennai, India.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual 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 of the charity to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
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- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that this basis applies.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping 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 the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations and with the Trust Deed dated 14th March 1998 (and subsequent amendments). 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.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees on 17 December 2022.



Anne Desir
Trustee

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF

THE BATEMANS TRUST

I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Batemans Trust for the year ended 31 March 2022.

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').

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.

Independent examiner's statement

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.

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 accounts to be reached.



Olayinka Tomori ACA DChA

20 December 2022

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THE BATEMANS TRUST

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

		Total 2022 Unrestricted £	Total 2021 Unrestricted £
Income and Endowments:	Notes		
Donations and Legacies	2	111,831	82,216
Other Trading Activities	3	8,272	2,607
Investment Income (Bank Interest)		5	41
Total Income and Endowments		<u>120,108</u>	<u>84,864</u>
Expenditure on:	4		
Raising Funds		322	16
Charitable Activity		70,278	156,719
Total Expenditure		<u>70,600</u>	<u>156,735</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		49,508	(71,871)
Reconciliation of funds:			
Total fund brought forward		43,798	115,669
Total funds carried forward		<u>£93,306</u>	<u>£43,798</u>

All amounts arise from continuing activities and there are no recognised gains or losses other than those shown above in the Statement of Financial Activities.

The comparative Statement of Financial Activities is shown in Note 10.

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

THE BATEMANS TRUST

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2022

	Notes	£	2022	£	£	2021	£
CURRENT ASSETS							
Prepayments and accrued income			11,303			11,427	
Cash at bank and in hand			88,403			38,171	
			<u>99,706</u>			<u>49,598</u>	
CURRENT LIABILITIES							
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year			(300)			(300)	
Net Current Assets					99,406		49,298
Total Assets less Current Liabilities							
Provision for liabilities	5			(6,100)			(5,500)
TOTAL ASSETS				<u>£93,306</u>			<u>£43,798</u>
FUNDS							
	6						
Unrestricted Funds:							
General Unrestricted Funds				87,206			38,298
Designated unrestricted funds				6,100			5,500
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>£93,306</u>			<u>£43,798</u>

Approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 17 December 2022 and signed on their behalf:



Anne Desir
Trustee

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

THE BATEMANS TRUST

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared 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) (second edition effective 1 January 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Going Concern

The Trustees have assessed whether the use of the going concern assumption is appropriate in preparing these accounts, including giving due consideration to the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on the charity's operations. The Trustees have made this assessment in respect of a period of one year from the date of approval of these accounts and have concluded that there are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern.

Income

Income recognised when receivable or when the charity becomes legally entitled to them and the value can be estimated with reasonable certainty.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Costs of raising funds comprise the costs associated with attracting income and the costs of trading for fundraising purposes. Expenditure on charitable activities includes the costs of performances, exhibitions and other educational activities undertaken to further the purposes of the charity and their associated support costs.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

Creditors and provisions

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the Trustees. Designated unrestricted funds are funds committed by the trustees towards specific purposes. Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor.

Statement of cash flows

As a small charity, Bateman's Trust is exempt from the requirement to produce a Statement of Cash Flows.

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2022 £	2021 £
Gift Aid	11,303	-	11,303	11,427
Grand 100 Campaign	-	-	-	3,500
JustGiving	15,028	-	15,028	14,437
C Lambourne donation	-	-	-	8,000
Wren Hoskins-Abrahall	3,000	-	3,000	-
Sponsorship income	25,480	-	25,480	23,890
Tallow Chandlers	5,000	-	5,000	5,000
The Giving Machine	-	-	-	193
Wish List	7,018	-	7,018	7,041
Legacy	25,000	-	25,000	-
Other donations	20,002	-	20,002	8,728
	<u>£111,831</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£111,831</u>	<u>£82,216</u>

The legacy of £25,000 is from the estate of Mary Stark. Donations and legacies in the year ended 31 March 2022, included £70,716 of unrestricted funds and £11,500 of restricted funds.

3. INCOME FROM OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES	2022 £	2021 £
Fund raising events:		
Curry Lunch	1,211	690
Other events	7,061	1,917
	<u>£8,272</u>	<u>£2,607</u>

4. EXPENDITURE	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
<i>Fund raising</i>	322	16
Charitable Activity:		
<i>Support costs</i>		
Bank charges	132	233
Project Consultants' costs	12,711	10,488
Printing, postage and stationery	957	826
Professional fees	923	-
Independent Examination	300	300
	<u>15,023</u>	<u>11,847</u>
<i>Donations</i>		
Satkaarya	55,255	46,872
Satkaarya - Land/Property purchase and development	-	98,000
	<u>55,255</u>	<u>144,872</u>
Total Charitable Activity	<u>70,278</u>	<u>156,719</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	<u>£70,600</u>	<u>£156,735</u>

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5. PROVISION FOR LIABILITIES

The charity has a constructive obligation to provide retirement benefits to consultants working on the projects supported by the charity in India. £6,100 (2021: £5,500) has been set aside for this purpose and the Trustees will revisit this provision on an annual basis. This obligation currently does not have a settlement date.

6. FUNDS

	At 1 April 2021	Income	Expenditure	Transfers and gains	At 31 March 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds:					
General Fund	38,298	120,108	(70,600)	(600)	87,206
Designated Retirement Fund	5,500	-	-	600	6,100
	<u>£43,798</u>	<u>£120,108</u>	<u>£(70,600)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>£93,306</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u><u>£43,798</u></u>	<u><u>£120,108</u></u>	<u><u>£(70,600)</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>£93,306</u></u>

Designated Retirement Fund – Funds set aside by the trustees to provide retirement benefits to consultants working on projects supported by the charity in India.

Comparative Statement of Funds (2021)

	At 1 April 2020	Income	Expenditure	Transfers and gains	At 31 March 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Restricted Funds:					
Grand 100 Campaign	8,503	3,500	(12,003)	-	-
C Lambourne donation	-	8,000	(8,000)	-	-
Merit	70,000	-	(70,000)	-	-
	<u>78,503</u>	<u>11,500</u>	<u>(90,003)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Unrestricted Funds:					
General Fund	32,666	73,364	(66,732)	(1,000)	38,298
Designated Retirement Fund	4,500	-	-	1,000	5,500
	<u>37,166</u>	<u>73,364</u>	<u>(66,732)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>43,798</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u><u>£115,669</u></u>	<u><u>£84,864</u></u>	<u><u>£(156,735)</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>£43,798</u></u>

The above funds are for the following purposes:

Grand 100 Campaign – Represents funds received towards the cost of the new building project in Chennai, India.

C Lambourne donation – A donation received to be used for the Trust’s building project in Chennai, India.

Merit - A corporate donation towards the Trust’s building project in Chennai, India.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

7. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

All restricted funds are held as cash balances. The other net assets of the charity constitute the unrestricted general funds.

8. TRANSACTIONS WITH TRUSTEES AND RELATED PARTIES

The Trustees did not receive any remuneration or benefits in the current or preceding year for their role as Trustees.

No expenses (2021: £nil) were paid or reimbursed to any (2021: None) Trustee in the year.

9. COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND CHARITY OPERATIONS

The Trustees have considered the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on the charity's operations and on its ability to continue as a going concern. Due consideration has been given to assessing future income and expenditure including cash flow. Trustees believe that the level of reserves and flexibility of expenditure will ensure the charity will be able to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future.

10. COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (31 MARCH 2021)

	Notes	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2021 £
Income and Endowments:				
Donations and Legacies	2	70,716	11,500	82,216
Other Trading Activities	3	2,607	-	2,607
Investment Income (Bank Interest)		41	-	41
Total Income and Endowments		<u>73,364</u>	<u>11,500</u>	<u>84,864</u>
Expenditure on:	4			
Raising Funds		16	-	16
Charitable Activity		66,716	90,003	156,719
Total Expenditure		<u>66,732</u>	<u>90,003</u>	<u>156,735</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		6,632	(78,503)	(71,871)
Reconciliation of funds:				
Total fund brought forward		37,166	78,503	115,669
Total funds carried forward		<u>£43,798</u>	<u>£-</u>	<u>£43,798</u>

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England & Wales - Charity number 1072820

Accounts

THE BATEMANS TRUST

Charity Number: 1072820

TRUSTEES' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

STATUS

Declaration of Trust dated 14th March 1998 as amended by deed dated 1st May 2000 as amended by deed dated 5th October 2011.

TRUSTEES

Anne Desir (Chair)
Jacqueline Cox
Paul Crosby
Alex Jacob
Vinod Hallan
Suzanne Kuysen
Jemma Little
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Amanda Morris-Drake (appointed January 2021)
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THE BATEMANS TRUST

TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

The Trustees present the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2021. These have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and the 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) (second edition effective 1 January 2019) and comply with the charity's Trust Deed.

OBJECTIVES

The charity's objects are "to prevent or relieve poverty and advance the education of children under the age of 22 in Chennai, South India, by providing grants, items and services to communities and individuals in need".

The charity aims to support and care for disadvantaged young people in and around Chennai, India. We help to advance the young people's educational attainment and maintain and improve their health and quality of life by providing safe and secure accommodation in Indian state-registered homes. We also support young adults in vocational training. Funds are raised from sponsors, grants, gifts and events.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Organisation

The charity is constituted as a Trust and it is governed by a Trust Deed dated 14th March 1998 with the latest amendment dated 5th October 2011.

Recruitment and appointment of Trustees

Trustees are elected by existing Trustees and are selected from those who already have a good knowledge of the work of the charity and preferably have spent time in India with the charity or have special skills and experience which will assist in the governance of the charity. The need for a range of skills within the Trustee body is a major consideration in Trustee selection. Specific areas of responsibility are agreed by the Trustees to spread the considerable amount of voluntary work. Maintenance of accounting records is carried out by an accountant on a *pro bono* basis.

Two new trustees have been appointed this year both of whom were headteachers and have the skills and experience to play a key role in the development of our new education project.

Key management

The day-to-day activities of the charity are managed by the Trustees.

Partner charity

The Satkaarya Trust. This Trust, a sister charity to Batemans, is set up in line with the legislation in India and is authorised to receive funds from UK. It is working well and has its own Trustees and runs the activities in India on behalf of The Batemans Trust. Satkaarya reapplied for and was granted the renewal of its FRCA registration in May 2020.

Risks

Income from regular income streams continues to cover the needs of the charity's day-to-day work in India, although the impact of COVID-19, rising costs in India and changes in exchange rates between the UK pound and Indian Rupee create uncertainty.

The screening of volunteers is vital and the trustees have ensured that adequate procedures are in place, particularly with regard to child protection. Policies and procedures were approved by the Charity Commission in 2009 and are regularly reviewed. The trustees take special care when accepting volunteers under 22 but when such volunteers are known to trustees they have been a great help. Experienced older people who can stay longer are usually more help in the day-to-day activities.

Our project manager Monica Augustine is key to the successful operation of most aspects of the work. Should she leave us, the charity would be vulnerable to a fall in standards and communication, which would require a replacement to be trained and monitored. However, some of the risk has been reduced by the fact that Monica's deputy, Raghland Samuel, is highly influential and trustworthy.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (continued)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

Risks (continued)

Further to the purchase of land in March 2018 and July 2020, where we intend to build a new primary school and hostel, our project administrator has been working to obtain the necessary planning consents. Progress on applying for and obtaining the relevant permissions has been held up by COVID as the planning department in Chennai remained closed for much for the year and was not accepting new applications.

The COVID pandemic continues to cause considerable upheaval, with all schools in Chennai shut down for most of the year. Staff continued with home learning and ensured all health and safety measures and precautions were followed by staff and children alike. One child and one member of staff tested positive for COVID during the year, but both made a full recovery.

Finally, there is a continued potential reputational risk to the charity as a result of negative publicity about some charities that run residential operations abroad. Batemans firmly believes the best place for children to live is at home with their families and we emphasise in our publicity material that we only recommend children should stay in the stable, secure environment offered by our hostels when it is not possible for them to be at home. We also emphasise that our hostels are registered with the Chennai Child Welfare Board, and that the city's social services team refer children to our hostels.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on Public Benefit when reviewing the charity's aim and objectives and in planning future activities. In particular, the Trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

Summary of main activities for the public benefit

The Charity has very specific objects, which focus solely on the work in Chennai for which it was formed and constituted. To reduce the rising cost of rents and payment of the fees for mainstream schools, the Trustees need to have their own buildings, and to be able to use these to operate their own school. The new premises should generate income and thereby greatly reduce the dependence on charitable donations from the UK.

The percentage of cash spent on UK administration is less than 5% of the total raised.

The transmission of funds to India is made through the authorised "foreign contributions" arrangement for which the Charity has qualified. This has been achieved by creating a separate Indian sister charity called the Satkaarya Trust. Foreign contributions from The Batemans Trust in the UK go to the Satkaarya Trust in India and are fully accounted for and audited, and the details submitted for checking by the accountant. The Satkaarya expenditure includes the Open School and educational fees, hostel costs, rents, some salaries and outings and is checked by trustees in the UK and also by an auditor in India.

When travel is permitted, Trustees regularly spend time working with the charity and a number of students and young people have spent time working with the children and staff with great success. Volunteers are properly DBS-cleared with references and are self-funding.

REVIEW OF THE YEAR – PERFORMANCE AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Summary of main achievements during the year

The charity continues to be approved by the Chennai authorities and the city's social services team continues to refer children in need to us. Outcomes for the children in our care are good both in terms of their emotional wellbeing and educational attainment. Young people from our care have secured places at higher and further education colleges and have obtained employment, which allows them to be financially independent.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (continued)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

Summary of main achievements during the year (continued)

FCRA registration: After an extremely lengthy process the FCRA renewal, valid for five years, was finally granted in May 2020.

Finance: The financial position continued to be difficult owing to rising inflation in India, although school closures in Chennai meant that we paid reduced school fees during the year. Close financial control in India has been, and will continue to be, exercised without detriment to the young people's care or education. And the trustees remain committed to ensuring that administrative spending in the UK should account for no more than around 5% of our total spending. During the year, we achieved our goal of ensuring the amount of income received for day-to-day operations was on a par with the amount spent.

The girls' hostel: The girls moved into a new hostel in June 2020. The new premises have many advantages. They are larger and have a big roof terrace, which proved invaluable during periods of lockdown. It is also closer to the boys' hostel, so it is easier to share facilities.

Oversight: Regular monthly reports to trustees are submitted by the project director Monica Augustine. Our chair of trustees, and other trustees, are also in regular contact with her.

Fundraising: The trustees know they have a duty to raise money for the charity, both for current running costs and to finance the development project. Revenue from trustee fundraising activity (excluding one-off donations) was slightly higher than in 2019-20 and the number of regular monthly donors to the charity also increased.

Grand 100 fundraising campaign: Including the £8,000 donation from C. Lambourne, £19,500 had been donated from the inception of the campaign up to March 2021.

Development project: An additional plot of land adjacent to the plot purchased in 2018 was bought in July 2020. This will allow the school and hostel/boarding house to be built on separate sites, which will significantly reduce planning issues and give increased flexibility as to how the school building can be used. Building work has yet to begin, as previously mentioned, but trustee Paul Crosby is working closely with architect Suhasini Ayer of Auroville Design to finalise plans and ensure they meet all national and local planning regulations.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

There was a deficit of £71,871 (2020: £78,209 surplus) in the year. Income was £84,864 (2020: £153,677) and it fell due to substantial donations received in the previous year which were not replicated in the year under review. Expenditure was £156,735 (2020: £75,468), the increase mainly a result of the transfer of £98,000 (made up primarily of the Merit and Grand 100 donations) to Satkaarya to be ring fenced for the development project.

Reserves Policy

The total funds at the year-end was £43,798 (2020: £115,669) consisting of the designated retirement fund of £5,500 and £38,298 of unrestricted general funds (free reserves). The charity's policy is to hold around £20,000 as free reserves (unrestricted general funds less net book value of fixed assets); a sum deemed by the trustees to be appropriate in the light of the commitments of the charity and other uncertainties. The additional funds will be utilised on the various projects being undertaken by the charity in India.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (continued)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

The Charity intends to continue raising funds in support of building and education projects in Chennai, India.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual 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 of the charity to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles of 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;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that this basis applies.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping 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 the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations and with the Trust Deed dated 14th March 1998 (and subsequent amendments). 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.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees on 22 December 2021.



Anne Desir
Trustee

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF

THE BATEMANS TRUST

I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Batemans Trust for the year ended 31 March 2021.

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').

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.

Independent examiner's statement

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.

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 accounts to be reached.



Olayinka Tomori ACA DChA

22 December 2021

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THE BATEMANS TRUST**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

	Notes	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Income and Endowments:					
Donations and Legacies	2	70,716	11,500	82,216	138,464
Other Trading Activities	3	2,607	-	2,607	15,095
Investment Income (Bank Interest)		41	-	41	118
Total Income and Endowments		<u>73,364</u>	<u>11,500</u>	<u>84,864</u>	<u>153,677</u>
Expenditure on:					
Raising Funds	4	16	-	16	2,968
Charitable Activity		66,716	90,003	156,719	72,500
Total Expenditure		<u>66,732</u>	<u>90,003</u>	<u>156,735</u>	<u>75,468</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		6,632	(78,503)	(71,871)	78,209
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total fund brought forward		37,166	78,503	115,669	37,460
Total funds carried forward		<u>£43,798</u>	<u>£-</u>	<u>£43,798</u>	<u>£115,669</u>

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The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

THE BATEMANS TRUST

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2021

	Notes	£	2021	£	£	2020	£
CURRENT ASSETS							
Debtors			11,427			10,299	
Prepayments and accrued income			-			10,000	
Cash at bank and in hand			38,171			100,170	
			<u>49,598</u>			<u>120,469</u>	
CURRENT LIABILITIES							
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year							
			<u>(300)</u>			<u>(300)</u>	
Net Current Assets				49,298			120,169
Total Assets less Current Liabilities							
Provision for liabilities	5			(5,500)			(4,500)
TOTAL ASSETS				<u>£43,798</u>			<u>£115,669</u>
FUNDS							
Unrestricted Funds:							
General Unrestricted Funds				38,298			32,666
Designated unrestricted funds				5,500			4,500
Restricted Funds				-			78,503
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>£43,798</u>			<u>£115,669</u>

Approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 22 December 2021 and signed on their behalf:



Anne Desir
Trustee

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

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The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Going Concern

The Trustees have assessed whether the use of the going concern assumption is appropriate in preparing these accounts, including giving due consideration to the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on the charity's operations. The Trustees have made this assessment in respect of a period of one year from the date of approval of these accounts and have concluded that there are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern.

Income

Income recognised when receivable or when the charity becomes legally entitled to them and the value can be estimated with reasonable certainty.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Costs of raising funds comprise the costs associated with attracting income and the costs of trading for fundraising purposes. Expenditure on charitable activities includes the costs of performances, exhibitions and other educational activities undertaken to further the purposes of the charity and their associated support costs.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

Creditors and provisions

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the Trustees. Designated unrestricted funds are funds committed by the trustees towards specific purposes. Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor.

Statement of cash flows

As a small charity, Bateman's Trust is exempt from the requirement to produce a Statement of Cash Flows.

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2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2021 £	2020 £
Gift Aid	11,427	-	11,427	10,299
Grand 100 Campaign	-	3,500	3,500	8,503
JustGiving	14,437	-	14,437	14,700
C Lambourne donation	-	8,000	8,000	-
Merit Shareholders	-	-	-	70,000
Sponsorship income	23,890	-	23,890	21,816
Tallow Chandlers	5,000	-	5,000	5,000
The Giving Machine	193	-	193	42
Wish List	7,041	-	7,041	5,929
Other donations	8,728	-	8,728	2,175
	<u>£70,716</u>	<u>£11,500</u>	<u>£82,216</u>	<u>£138,464</u>

Donations and legacies in the year ended 31 March 2020, included £59,961 of unrestricted funds and £78,503 of restricted funds.

3. INCOME FROM OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES	2021 £	2020 £
Fund raising events:		
Curry Lunch	690	754
Truck	-	7,493
Other events	1,917	6,848
	<u>£2,607</u>	<u>£15,095</u>

4. EXPENDITURE	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
<i>Fund raising</i>	16	2,968
Charitable Activity:		
<i>Support costs</i>		
Bank charges	233	157
Project Consultants' costs	10,488	12,076
Printing, postage and stationery	826	916
Trustees' expenses	-	223
Independent Examination	300	300
	<u>11,847</u>	<u>13,672</u>
<i>Donations</i>		
Satkaarya	46,872	58,828
Satkaarya - Land/Property purchase and development	98,000	-
	<u>144,872</u>	<u>58,828</u>
Total Charitable Activity	<u>156,719</u>	<u>72,500</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	<u>£156,735</u>	<u>£75,468</u>

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5. PROVISION FOR LIABILITIES

The charity has a constructive obligation to provide retirement benefits to consultants working on the projects supported by the charity in India. £5,500 (2020: £4,500) has been set aside for this purpose and the Trustees will revisit this provision on an annual basis. This obligation currently does not have a settlement date.

6. FUNDS

	At 1 April 2020 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers and gains £	At 31 March 2021 £
Restricted Funds:					
Grand 100 Campaign	8,503	3,500	(12,003)	-	-
C Lambourne donation	-	8,000	(8,000)	-	-
Merit	70,000	-	(70,000)	-	-
	<u>78,503</u>	<u>11,500</u>	<u>(90,003)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Unrestricted Funds:					
General Fund	32,666	73,364	(66,732)	(1,000)	38,298
Designated Retirement Fund	4,500	-	-	1,000	5,500
	<u>37,166</u>	<u>73,364</u>	<u>(66,732)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>43,798</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>£115,669</u>	<u>£84,864</u>	<u>£(156,735)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>£43,798</u>

The above funds are for the following purposes:

Grand 100 Campaign – Represents funds received towards the cost of the new building project in Chennai, India.

C Lambourne donation – A donation received to be used for the Trust’s building project in Chennai, India.

Merit - A corporate donation towards the Trust’s building project in Chennai, India.

Designated Retirement Fund – Funds set aside by the trustees to provide retirement benefits to consultants working on projects supported by the charity in India.

Comparative Statement of Funds (2020)

	At 1 April 2019 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers and gains £	At 31 March 2020 £
Restricted Funds:					
Grand 100	-	8,503	-	-	8,503
Merit	-	70,000	-	-	70,000
	<u>-</u>	<u>78,503</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>78,503</u>
Unrestricted Funds:					
General Fund	32,960	75,174	(75,468)	-	32,666
Designated Retirement Fund	4,500	-	-	-	4,500
	<u>37,460</u>	<u>75,174</u>	<u>(75,468)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>37,166</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>£37,460</u>	<u>£153,677</u>	<u>£(75,468)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>£115,669</u>

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7. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

All restricted funds are held as cash balances. The other net assets of the charity constitute the unrestricted general funds.

8. TRANSACTIONS WITH TRUSTEES AND RELATED PARTIES

The Trustees did not receive any remuneration or benefits in the current or preceding year for their role as Trustees.

No expenses (2020: £223) were paid or reimbursed to any (2020: One) Trustee in the year.

9. COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND CHARITY OPERATIONS

The Trustees have considered the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on the charity's operations and on its ability to continue as a going concern. Due consideration has been given to assessing future income and expenditure including cash flow. Trustees believe that the level of reserves and flexibility of expenditure will ensure the charity will be able to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future.

10. COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (31 MARCH 2020)

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2020 £
Income and Endowments:			
Donations and Legacies	59,961	78,503	138,464
Other Trading Activities	15,095	-	15,095
Investment Income (Bank Interest)	118	-	118
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Total Income and Endowments	75,174	78,503	153,677
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Expenditure on:			
Raising Funds	2,968	-	2,968
Charitable Activity	72,500	-	72,500
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Total Expenditure	75,468	-	75,468
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Net (expenditure)/income	(294)	78,503	78,209
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Reconciliation of funds:			
Total fund brought forward	37,460	-	37,460
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Total funds carried forward	£37,166	£78,503	£115,669
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