

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND  
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023  
FOR  
JAMES MADISON CHARITABLE TRUST**

Wettone Matthews Limited  
Chartered Certified Accountants  
Market House  
21 Lenten Street  
Alton  
GU34 1HG

**JAMES MADISON CHARITABLE TRUST**

**CONTENTS OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023**

---

	<b>Page</b>
<b>Reference and Administrative Details</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Report of the Trustees</b>	<b>2 to 3</b>
<b>Independent Examiner's Report</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Statement of Financial Activities</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Balance Sheet</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Notes to the Financial Statements</b>	<b>7 to 11</b>
<b>Detailed Statement of Financial Activities</b>	<b>12</b>

---

# JAMES MADISON CHARITABLE TRUST

## REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023

---

### TRUSTEES

Professor S Henig  
D A Grace  
Professor A Pabst  
A M Sladen  
Ms M Kirtilli  
Professor T K Hervey  
Dr R G Corbett  
J T Bishop  
Dr P Copeland  
Professor J E Smith

### PRINCIPAL ADDRESS

84 Hazelwood Close  
Cambridge  
Cambridgeshire  
CB4 3SP

### REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER

1084835

### INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

Wettone Matthews Limited  
Chartered Certified Accountants  
Market House  
21 Lenten Street  
Alton  
GU34 1HG

### INVESTMENT ADVISERS

Quilter Cheviot  
Senator House  
85 Queen Victoria Street  
London  
EC4V 4AB

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023**

---

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 5 April 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

**OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

**Objectives and aims**

The purposes of the Charity are set out in its governing document. The objects of the charity are to support and promote studies of federal government whether within or among states, including studies of procedures that may lead towards the establishment of such government, and to support or promote education and dissemination of knowledge of these subjects.

**Significant activities**

The trustees meet or communicate electronically to decide on all matters involving the government of the Trust including instructions to the Trust's investment managers and the approval of grants for new projects, except where the Trustees from time to time delegate such decisions to two or more Trustees in committee, as set out in the Trust Deed.

**Public benefit**

The trust is now fully recovered from the COVID epidemic and lockdown and the projects we support are proceeding well. During the year we continued support for the University of Kent on "Why Centralisation and Decentralisation in Federations?" and "New Federations: Internally Displaced Peoples and Durable Solutions to Displacement in Federal Systems"; for Queen Mary, University of London on "Civil Society and European Networks in a post-devolution UK"; and for the work of the University Association for Contemporary European Studies (UACES) on future-proofing the study of Europe in the UK after Brexit.

We also awarded grants for new projects now underway: "The Effectiveness of Conditional Grant Programmes in Education and Health Care in Federal Systems" led by Johanna Schnabel of the Freie Universität Berlin; A collaboration between Cardiff, Aston and Aberystwyth Universities on "Assessing the UK's new intergovernmental relations architecture post-Brexit: The case of EU policy"; and "Taking Back Control: Decentralised Federalism and the Legacy of Anarchist Thought in Federal Studies" at Exeter University.

The trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in managing the activities of the charity.

**ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE**

**Charitable activities**

The charity has been able to fund the initiation of so many new projects and achieve the aims of the charity.

Grants made have facilitated scholarly publications and enabled the organisation of conferences and workshops exploring the aspects of federalism set out in the charity's objectives.

**FINANCIAL REVIEW**

**Financial position**

In 2021 trustees had decided to change our investment managers to Quilter Cheviot with our money invested in their Global Income and Growth Fund for Charities. Trustees have been content with the performance of this fund and consider that our resources are well managed.

All the investment funds are in the Quilter Cheviot Global Income and Growth Fund for Charities. This is diversified, both geographically and by sector. The impact of inflation, the invasion of Ukraine on energy and food prices, and the rising interest rates in the US, UK, and Europe have combined to adversely affect many equity sectors, including tech stocks. The capital return has been minus 8.6%. This has partly recovered since the charity's year end.

The charity maintained around £120,000 with Cafbank, but has recently invested £66,000 of that leaving cash representing about two years of the ongoing operating costs and obligations.

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023**

---

**FINANCIAL REVIEW**

**Reserves policy**

All reserves are available for distribution for qualifying grants as approved by the trustees at regular meetings.

**STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

**Governing document**

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

**Organisational structure**

The charity is constituted as an unincorporated charity, established by Trust Deed. The governing document of the charity is the Trust Deed establishing the charity.

The governing document is dated 20 April 2000.

There are no restrictions in the governing documents on the operation of the Charity or on its investment powers other than those imposed by Charity Law.

The trustees are all individuals.

**Induction and training of new trustees**

The Trust has a strong board of Trustees but is continuing to seek new Trustees to reinforce its administrative and academic skills. New Trustees are sought through recommendation and external contacts and also by a notice on the Trust's website.

The trust held a joint conference with Federal Trust in October 2022 on "A Federal Future for the United Kingdom?" with speakers from England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales. A video recording of the conference can be found here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CPkxr6FKzYo>

We plan another joint conference in 2023.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 18 September 2023 and signed on its behalf by:



A M Sladen - Trustee

# INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF JAMES MADISON CHARITABLE TRUST

---

## **Independent examiner's report to the trustees of James Madison Charitable Trust**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of James Madison Charitable Trust (the Trust) for the year ended 5 April 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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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.



P du Gay

Wettone Matthews Limited  
Chartered Certified Accountants  
Market House  
21 Lenten Street  
Alton  
GU34 1HG

Date: 12 October 2023

**JAMES MADISON CHARITABLE TRUST**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023**

		<b>2023 Unrestricted fund £</b>	<b>2022 Total funds £</b>
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>	Notes		
Investment income	2	<b>25,659</b>	<i>17,092</i>
Other income		<b>403</b>	<i>655</i>
<b>Total</b>		<b>26,062</b>	<i>17,747</i>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>			
Raising funds	3	-	<i>373</i>
<b>Charitable activities</b>			
Charitable activities		<b>13,615</b>	<i>18,148</i>
<b>Total</b>		<b>13,615</b>	<i>18,521</i>
Net gains/(losses) on investments		<b>(70,883)</b>	<i>31,892</i>
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>		<b>(58,436)</b>	<i>31,118</i>
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>			
Total funds brought forward		<b>947,867</b>	<i>916,749</i>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<b>889,431</b>	<i>947,867</i>

The notes form part of these financial statements

**JAMES MADISON CHARITABLE TRUST**

**BALANCE SHEET**  
**5 APRIL 2023**

		<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
		<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Total</b>
		<b>fund</b>	<b>funds</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>	<b>Notes</b>		
Investments	6	759,310	822,994
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Debtors	7	-	4,053
Cash at bank		131,321	122,020
		<u>131,321</u>	<u>126,073</u>
<b>CREDITORS</b>			
Amounts falling due within one year	8	(1,200)	(1,200)
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>130,121</u>	<u>124,873</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>889,431</u>	<u>947,867</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>889,431</u>	<u>947,867</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>	<b>9</b>		
Unrestricted funds		889,431	947,867
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>		<u>889,431</u>	<u>947,867</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 18 September 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:



A M Sladen - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements



**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023**

**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Basis of preparing the financial statements**

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, with the exception of investments which are included at market value, as modified by the revaluation of certain assets.

**Income**

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

**Expenditure**

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end date are noted as a commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

**Taxation**

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

**Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

**2. INVESTMENT INCOME**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Other fixed asset invest - FII	<b>24,918</b>	<b>17,072</b>
Deposit account interest	<b>741</b>	<b>20</b>
	<b><u>25,659</u></b>	<b><u>17,092</u></b>

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023**

**3. RAISING FUNDS****Investment management costs**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Investment advice	-	373

**4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS**

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 5 April 2023 nor for the year ended 5 April 2022.

**Trustees' expenses**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Trustees' expenses	251	463

**5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

	Unrestricted fund £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>	
Investment income	17,092
Other income	655
<b>Total</b>	<b>17,747</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>	
Raising funds	373
<b>Charitable activities</b>	
Charitable activities	18,148
<b>Total</b>	<b>18,521</b>
Net gains on investments	31,892
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<b>31,118</b>
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>	
Total funds brought forward	916,749
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>	<b>947,867</b>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023

6. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Listed investments £
<b>MARKET VALUE</b>	
At 6 April 2022	822,994
Additions	7,199
Revaluations	(70,883)
	<u>759,310</u>
At 5 April 2023	
<b>NET BOOK VALUE</b>	
At 5 April 2023	<u>759,310</u>
At 5 April 2022	<u>822,994</u>

There were no investment assets outside the UK.

Cost or valuation at 5 April 2023 is represented by:

	Listed investments £
Valuation in 2023	24,967
Cost	734,343
	<u>759,310</u>

7. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023 £	2022 £
Other debtors	-	4,053
	<u>-</u>	<u>4,053</u>

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023**

**8. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	<b>2023</b>	<i>2022</i>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Other creditors	<b><u>1,200</u></b>	<i><u>1,200</u></i>

**9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS**

	At 6/4/22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5/4/23 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	<b>947,867</b>	<b>(58,436)</b>	<b>889,431</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<b><u>947,867</u></b>	<b><u>(58,436)</u></b>	<b><u>889,431</u></b>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund	<b>26,062</b>	<b>(13,615)</b>	<b>(70,883)</b>	<b>(58,436)</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<b><u>26,062</u></b>	<b><u>(13,615)</u></b>	<b><u>(70,883)</u></b>	<b><u>(58,436)</u></b>

**Comparatives for movement in funds**

	At 6/4/21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5/4/22 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	916,749	31,118	947,867
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<b><u>916,749</u></b>	<b><u>31,118</u></b>	<b><u>947,867</u></b>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund	17,747	(18,521)	31,892	31,118
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<b><u>17,747</u></b>	<b><u>(18,521)</u></b>	<b><u>31,892</u></b>	<b><u>31,118</u></b>

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023**

**9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 6/4/21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5/4/23 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	916,749	(27,318)	889,431
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>916,749</u>	<u>(27,318)</u>	<u>889,431</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund	43,809	(32,136)	(38,991)	(27,318)
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>43,809</u>	<u>(32,136)</u>	<u>(38,991)</u>	<u>(27,318)</u>

**10. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 5 April 2023.

# JAMES MADISON CHARITABLE TRUST

## DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</b>		
<b>Investment income</b>		
Other fixed asset invest - FII	24,918	17,072
Deposit account interest	741	20
	<u>25,659</u>	<u>17,092</u>
<b>Other income</b>		
Royalties from intellectual property rights	403	655
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<u>26,062</u>	<u>17,747</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
<b>Investment management costs</b>		
Investment advice	-	373
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
Trustees' expenses	251	463
Website development	231	195
Meeting expenses	149	862
Conferences	3,229	-
Grants to institutions	8,483	15,332
	<u>12,343</u>	<u>16,852</u>
<b>Support costs</b>		
<b>Finance</b>		
Bank charges	72	96
<b>Governance costs</b>		
Accountancy and legal fees	1,200	1,200
<b>Total resources expended</b>	<u>13,615</u>	<u>18,521</u>
<b>Net income/(expenditure) before gains and losses</b>	<u>12,447</u>	<u>(774)</u>
<b>Realised recognised gains and losses</b>		
Realised gains/(losses) on fixed asset investments	-	(88,364)
Unrealised gains/(losses) on fixed asset investments	(70,883)	120,256
<b>Net (expenditure)/income</b>	<u>(58,436)</u>	<u>31,118</u>

This page does not form part of the statutory financial statements