

# THE BLANES TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 1093610

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Other

**Registered** 2002-08-30

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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## Activities

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**Objects:** THE TRUSTEES SHALL HOLD THE TRUST FUND AND ITS INCOME UPON TRUST TO APPLY THEM FOR THE FOLLOWING OBJECTS (THE OBJECTS) NAMELY THE SUPPORT OF SUCH INSTITUTIONS AND PURPOSES AS ARE CHARITABLE ACCORDING TO THE LAW OF ENGLAND AND WALES IN SUCH MANNER AND SUCH PROPORTIONS AS THE TRUSTEES SHALL FROM TIME TO TIME IN THEIR ABSOLUTE DISCRETION THINK FIT

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## Classification

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- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- Throughout England And Wales

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£111,933	£67,705	-	-
2024-03-31	£103,691	£65,507	-	-
2023-03-31	£97,466	£53,871	-	-
2022-03-31	£99,708	£37,929	-	-
2021-03-31	£93,524	£46,981	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
MS KATHERINE MACKENZIE-DAVEY		2002-03-13
SUSIE ASTOR		2002-03-13
THOMAS ASTOR		2002-03-13

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# Accounts

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**Charity Number: 1093610**

**THE BLANES TRUST**  
**STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE**  
**YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

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**ACCOUNTS FOR THE**  
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**THE BLANES TRUST**  
**TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

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Signed on behalf of the Trustees:

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I report to the charity Trustees on my examinations of the accounts of The Blanes Trust for the year ended 31 March 2025 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and related notes.

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**Responsibilities and basis of report**

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE  
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

	Note	Expendable Endowment £	Unrestricted Funds £	2025 Total Funds £	2024 Total Funds £
<b>Income from:</b>					
Investment income	3	-	21,932	21,932	18,691
Donation from settlor		90,001	-	90,001	85,000
<b>Total Income</b>		<u>90,001</u>	<u>21,932</u>	<u>111,933</u>	<u>103,691</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Raising funds		6,972	-	6,972	6,419
Charitable activities	5	2,100	58,633	60,733	59,088
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<u>9,072</u>	<u>58,633</u>	<u>67,705</u>	<u>65,507</u>
<b>Net (loss) /gains on investments</b>	4	<u>(27,555)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(27,555)</u>	<u>81,953</u>
<b>Net income and movement in funds</b>		53,374	(36,701)	16,673	120,137
<b>Transfer of funds</b>		(50,000)	50,000	-	-
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>					
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>		1,122,179	30,588	1,152,767	1,032,630
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<u>1,125,553</u>	<u>43,887</u>	<u>1,169,440</u>	<u>1,152,767</u>

All activities relate to continuing operations.


The notes on pages 6 to 9 form part of these financial statements.

**THE BLANES TRUST**

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT  
31 MARCH 2025**

	Note	31 March 2025		31 March 2024	
		£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed Asset Investments at Market Value</b>					
Quoted investments					
UK quoted securities	4		1,100,351		1,109,569
<b>Current Assets</b>					
<b>Debtors</b>					
Dividend			784		1,356
<b>Cash at Bank</b>					
Barclays		33,598		31,620	
Rathbone Investment Management Capital Account		9,964		16,624	
CAF		30,986		-	
			74,548		48,244
			1,175,683		1,159,169
<b>Current liabilities</b>					
Sayers Butterworth LLP		3,120		3,040	
Sayers Butterworth LLP Independent Examiners		1,500		1,700	
Rathbone Investment Management		1,623		1,662	
			6,243		6,402
<b>Net Assets</b>			1,169,440		1,152,767
<b>REPRESENTING:</b>					
<b>Expendable Endowment Funds</b>	13		1,125,553		1,122,179
<b>Unrestricted Income Funds</b>	13		43,887		30,588
			1,169,440		1,152,767

The accounts were approved by the Trustees on 9 December 2025 and signed on their behalf, by:

  
 .....  
 T Astor

## THE BLANES TRUST

### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

#### 1 Accounting Policies

##### (a) Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (Second Edition) and the Financial Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (Second Edition) rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

The Blanes Trust is a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. There are no material uncertainties regarding the Charity's ability to continue and so the going concern basis has been adopted.

##### (b) Income

Investment income is accounted for in the period in which the charity is entitled to receipt. Investment income received by the Charity qualifying for the repayment of income tax has been grossed up for tax recoverable and this gross amount is recognised on the SOFA.

Income from donations is included in incoming resources when these are receivable, except as follows:

When donors specify that donations given to the Charity must be used in future accounting periods, the income is deferred until those periods. When donors impose conditions which have to be fulfilled before the Trust becomes entitled to use such income, the income is deferred and not included in incoming resources until the pre-conditions for use have been met.

##### (c) Taxation

No provision for taxation is included in the accounts as the Charity is entitled to the exemption for tax afforded by Part 10 of the Income Tax Act 2007 and Section 256 of the Chargeable Gains Act 1992.

##### (d) Expenditure

Expenditure is included on an accruals basis and includes irrecoverable value added tax. Donations payable are charged in the year when the offer is conveyed to the recipient except in those cases where the offer is conditional, such donations being recognised as expenditure when the conditions attaching are fulfilled. Donations offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end are noted as a commitment, but not accrued as expenditure.

(e) Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the Charity and include costs linked to the strategic management of the Charity.

(f) Investments are valued at open market value.

(g) Fund accounting - Details of the nature and purpose of each fund is set out in note 11.

##### (h) Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and 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.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE  
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1 Accounting policies (continued)

(i) 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 a 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.

(j) Financial instruments

The Charity only has financial instruments of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at settlement value.

2 Trustees Remuneration and Expenses

No Trustees received remuneration or expenses.

3 Investment Income

	2025	2025	2025	2024
	Expendable	Unrestricted	Total	Total
	Endowment	Funds		
	£	£	£	£
Bank deposit interest	-	675	675	926
Dividends	-	21,257	21,257	17,765
	-	21,932	21,932	18,691

4 Fixed Asset Investments

Quoted Investments

	2025	2025	2024	2024
	£		£	
Opening market value at 1 April 2024		1,109,569		935,150
Investments transferred from Settlor		90,001		85,000
Additions during the year		141,743		398,357
Disposals during the year		(213,834)		(390,051)
Accumulation Dividends		712		-
Equalisation Payment		(285)		(840)
Net realised (loss)/gain on disposals	(963)		5,177	
Net unrealised (loss)/gain on revaluation	(26,592)		76,776	
		(27,555)		81,953
Closing market value at 31 March 2025		1,100,351		1,109,569
Historical cost		1,041,400		1,029,982

5 Costs of Charitable Activities

	2025	2025	2024	2024
	Expendable	Unrestricted	Expendable	Unrestricted
	Endowment	Funds	Endowment	Funds
	£	£	£	£
Donations	-	56,500	-	55,000
Support costs	2,100	2,133	2,044	2,044
	2,100	58,633	2,044	57,044

**THE BLANES TRUST**

**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE  
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

**6 Support Costs (including Governance costs)**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>Expendable</b>	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>Endowment</b>	<b>Funds</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>		
<b>Accountancy and taxation charges</b>				
Year ended 31st March 2025	1,350	1,350	2,700	2,388
<b>Independent Examiners review</b>				
Year ended 31st March 2025	750	750	1,500	1,700
<b>Bank charges</b>	-	33	33	-
	<u>2,100</u>	<u>2,133</u>	<u>4,233</u>	<u>4,088</u>

**7 Donations payable**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Camden Girls School	4,000	5,000
Hampstead Theatre	15,000	15,000
Minority Rights Group	25,000	25,000
Myeloma	2,500	-
New Bridge	5,000	-
The Roundhouse Theatre	5,000	-
Winston's Wish	-	10,000
	<u>56,500</u>	<u>55,000</u>

The objectives of the Trust are fulfilled by the Trustees through consideration of appeals and making grants in response thereto. All grants made are for the general support of the recipient.

**8 Employees**

There were no employees during the year

**9 Related Party Transactions**

Aside from donations received during the year, from one of the trustees, there were no related party transactions during the period.

**10 Controlling Party**

No one party has overall control of the Trust.

**THE BLANES TRUST**  
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**11 Funds**

Unrestricted funds comprise those funds which the Trust is free to use in accordance with the charitable objects.

Expendable endowment fund represents those assets, principally investments, that are held by the charity on a more permanent basis.

Any capital gains or losses arising on the investments form part of the fund.

Investment management charges and legal advice relating to the fund are charged against the fund.

Income arising on the endowment fund is included as Unrestricted income.

Clause 3 of the Trust Deed gives the power to apply the Trust Fund for such charitable purposes as the Trustees shall in their absolute discretion determine.

**12 Analysis of cash and cash equivalents**

	2025 £	2024 £
Cash at bank	74,548	48,244
	74,548	48,244

**13 Analysis of net assets between funds**

	Expendable Endowment Fund £	Unrestricted Income Fund £	2025 Total £	2024 Total £
Fund balances at 31 March 2025 are represented by:				
Fixed assets	1,100,351	-	1,100,351	1,109,569
Current assets	29,135	46,197	75,332	49,600
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(3,933)	(2,310)	(6,243)	(6,402)
	1,125,553	43,887	1,169,440	1,152,767

**14 Statement of funds**

	Brought Forward £	Incoming Resources £	Expenditure £	Gains / (Losses) £	Transfer between Funds £	Carried Forward £
Unrestricted funds	30,588	21,932	(58,633)	-	50,000	43,887
Expendable endowment funds	1,122,179	90,001	(9,072)	(27,555)	(50,000)	1,125,553
Total of funds	1,152,767	111,933	(67,705)	(27,555)	-	1,169,440

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# Accounts

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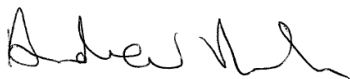
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YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

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<b>Income from:</b>					
Investment income	3	-	18,691	18,691	12,466
Donation from settlor		85,000	-	85,000	85,000
<b>Total Income</b>		<u>85,000</u>	<u>18,691</u>	<u>103,691</u>	<u>97,466</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Raising funds		6,419	-	6,419	5,615
Charitable activities	5	2,044	57,044	59,088	48,256
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<u>8,463</u>	<u>57,044</u>	<u>65,507</u>	<u>53,871</u>
<b>Net gains /(Loss) on investments</b>	4	81,953	-	81,953	(46,803)
<b>Net income and movement in funds</b>		158,490	(38,353)	120,137	(3,208)
<b>Transfer of funds</b>		(55,000)	55,000	-	-
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>					
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>		1,018,689	13,941	1,032,630	1,035,838
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<u>1,122,179</u>	<u>30,588</u>	<u>1,152,767</u>	<u>1,032,630</u>

All activities relate to continuing operations.


The notes on pages 6 to 9 form part of these financial statements.

**THE BLANES TRUST**

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT  
31 MARCH 2024**

		<b>Year ended 31 March 2024</b>		<b>Year ended 31 March 2023</b>	
	Note	£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed Asset Investments at Market Value</b>					
Quoted investments					
UK quoted securities	4		1,109,569		935,150
<b>Current Assets</b>					
<b>Debtors</b>					
Dividend			1,356		-
<b>Cash at Bank</b>					
Barclays		31,620		71,540	
Rathbone Investment Management					
Capital Account		16,624		30,288	
Income Account		-		793	
			48,244		102,621
			1,159,169		1,037,771
<b>Current liabilities</b>					
Sayers Butterworth LLP		3,040		2,200	
Sayers Butterworth LLP					
Independent Examiners		1,700		1,500	
Rathbone Investment Management		1,662		1,441	
			6,402		5,141
<b>Net Assets</b>			<b>1,152,767</b>		<b>1,032,630</b>
<b>REPRESENTING:</b>					
<b>Expendable Endowment Funds</b>	13		1,122,179		1,018,689
<b>Unrestricted Income Funds</b>	13		30,588		13,941
			1,152,767		1,032,630

The accounts were approved by the Trustees on 10/12/2024 and signed on their behalf, by:



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T Astor

## THE BLANES TRUST

### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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The Charity only has financial instruments of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at settlement value.

**2 Trustees Remuneration and Expenses**

No Trustees received remuneration or expenses.

**3 Investment Income**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>Expendable</b>	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>Endowment</b>	<b>Funds</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>		
Bank deposit interest	-	926	926	378
Dividends	-	17,765	17,765	12,088
	<u>-</u>	<u>18,691</u>	<u>18,691</u>	<u>12,466</u>

**4 Fixed Asset Investments**

**Quoted Investments**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>		<b>£</b>	
Opening market value at 1 April 2023		935,150		946,304
Investments transferred from Settlor		85,000		85,000
Additions during the year		398,357		315,787
Disposals during the year		390,051		(363,587)
Equalisation Payment		840		(1,551)
Net realised gain/(loss) on disposals	5,177		(11,480)	
Net unrealised gain/(loss) on revaluation	76,776		(35,323)	
		<u>81,953</u>		<u>(46,803)</u>
<b>Closing market value at 31 March 2024</b>		<u><u>1,109,569</u></u>		<u><u>935,150</u></u>
<b>Historical cost</b>		<u><u>1,029,982</u></u>		<u><u>949,594</u></u>

**5 Costs of Charitable Activities**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>Expendable</b>	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Expendable</b>	<b>Unrestricted</b>
	<b>Endowment</b>	<b>Funds</b>	<b>Endowment</b>	<b>Funds</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Donations	-	55,000	-	45,000
Support costs	2,044	2,044	1,029	3,256
	<u>2,044</u>	<u>57,044</u>	<u>1,029</u>	<u>48,256</u>

**THE BLANES TRUST**

**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE  
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

**6 Support Costs (including Governance costs)**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>Expendable</b>	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>Endowment</b>	<b>Funds</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Accountancy and taxation charges</b>				
including underprovision for previous year				
Year ended 31st March 2024	1,194	1,194	2,388	1,456
<b>Independent Examiners review</b>				
including underprovision for previous year				
Year ended 31st March 2024	850	850	1,700	1,800
	<u>2,044</u>	<u>2,044</u>	<u>4,088</u>	<u>3,256</u>

**7 Donations payable**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Camden Girls School	5,000	-
Hampstead Theatre	15,000	15,000
Minority Rights Group	25,000	25,000
Winston's Wish	10,000	-
The Roundhouse	-	5,000
	<u>55,000</u>	<u>45,000</u>

The objectives of the Trust are fulfilled by the Trustees through consideration of appeals and making grants in response thereto. All grants made are for the general support of the recipient.

**8 Employees**

There were no employees during the year

**9 Related Party Transactions**

Aside from donations received during the year, from one of the trustees, there were no related party transactions during the period.

**10 Controlling Party**

No one party has overall control of the Trust.

## THE BLANES TRUST

### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

#### 11 Funds

Unrestricted funds comprise those funds which the Trust is free to use in accordance with the charitable objects.

Expendable endowment fund represents those assets, principally investments, that are held by the charity on a more permanent basis.

Any capital gains or losses arising on the investments form part of the fund.

Investment management charges and legal advice relating to the fund are charged against the fund.

Income arising on the endowment fund is included as Unrestricted income.

Clause 3 of the Trust Deed gives the power to apply the Trust Fund for such charitable purposes as the Trustees shall in their absolute discretion determine.

#### 12 Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

	2024 £	2023 £
Cash at bank	48,244	102,621
	48,244	102,621

#### 13 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Expendable Endowment Fund £	Unrestricted Income Fund £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Fund balances at 31 March 2024 are represented by:				
Fixed assets	1,109,569	-	1,109,569	935,150
Current assets	16,642	32,958	49,600	102,621
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(4,032)	(2,370)	(6,402)	(5,141)
	1,122,179	30,588	1,152,767	1,032,630

#### 14 Statement of funds

	Brought Forward £	Incoming Resources £	Expenditure £	Gains / (Losses) £	Transfer between Funds £	Carried Forward £
Unrestricted funds	13,941	18,691	(57,044)	-	55,000	30,588
Expendable endowment funds	1,018,689	85,000	(8,463)	81,953	(55,000)	1,122,179
Total of funds	1,032,630	103,691	(65,507)	81,953	-	1,152,767

**THE BLANES TRUST**

England & Wales - Charity number 1093610

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# Accounts

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**Charity Number: 1093610**

**THE BLANES TRUST**  
**STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE**  
**YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

**THE BLANES TRUST**  
**ACCOUNTS FOR THE**  
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**THE BLANES TRUST**  
**TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

The Trustees present their annual report and financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023

**Objects and Policies**

The Funds are to be applied for or towards such charitable purposes at such time or times and in such manner as the Trustees shall in their absolute discretion think fit. The objectives are fulfilled by the Trustees through consideration of appeals and making grants or donations in response thereto. Funds held pending disbursement may be invested in securities of whatsoever nature the Trustees think fit.

**Activities and achievements during the year**

The Trust continued to consider requests for funding and to respond thereto. Income amounted to £97,466 which included a donation from the settlor of £85,000, this compared to £99,708 in the previous year. Donations of £45,000, were made during the year compared to £30,000 in the previous year. Support costs totalled £3,256.

**Administration Information**

The Blanes Trust is constituted by a Trust Deed dated 13th March 2002 and is a registered Charity number 1093610 under clause 4(1). The statutory power of appointing new or additional Trustees is by a resolution of the Trustees passed at a special meeting. There is a minimum number of three Trustees.

**Trustees**

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**THE BLANES TRUST**  
**TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

**Risk Factors**

The Trustees have taken advantage of exemption available for charities with incoming resources of less than £500,000 not to carry out a risk assessment.

**Investment Policy**

There are no restrictions in the Trust Deed. The Trustees operate a low risk policy with a balance of income and capital growth. The investments are currently held in a mixture of stock market investments and cash deposits. There were unrealised / realised losses of £46,803 on the investments held. This compared with unrealised / realised gains of £42,499 in the previous year.

**Reserves Policy**

It is the Trustees policy to restrict outgoing resources to the available income. Clause 2 of the Trust Deed gives the power to apply the Trust fund and the income thereof for such Charitable purposes as the Trustees shall in their absolute discretion determine. Accordingly it is possible to maintain reserves at a minimal level.

**Public Benefit**

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in Section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the general guidance issued by the Charities Commission on public benefit.

**Related Party Transactions**

There were no related party transactions during the period.

**Responsibilities of the Trustees**

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

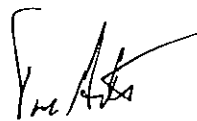
The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the Charity for that period. In preparing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

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) regulations 2008 and the provisions of the Trust Deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention of fraud and other irregularities.

T Astor

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:



Date:

18/12/23

**THE BLANES TRUST**

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of The Blanes Trust**

I report to the charity Trustees on my examinations of the accounts of The Blanes Trust for the year ended 31 March 2023 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and related notes.

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Charity's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charity and the Charity's trustees as a body, for my work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the Trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examinations I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

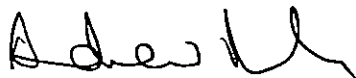
An independent examination does not involve gathering all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently does not cover all the matters that an auditor considers in giving their opinion on the financial statements. The planning and conduct of an audit goes beyond the limited assurance that an independent examination can provide. Consequently I express no opinion as to whether the financial statements present a 'true and fair' view and my report is limited to those specific matters set out in the independent examiner's statement

**Independent examiner's statement**

I 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:

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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



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Date: 18 December 2023

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

	Note	Expendable Endowment £	Unrestricted Funds £	2023 Total Funds £	2022 Total Funds £
<b>Income from:</b>					
Investment income	3	-	12,466	12,466	14,966
Donation from settlor		85,000	-	85,000	84,742
<b>Total Income</b>		<u>85,000</u>	<u>12,466</u>	<u>97,466</u>	<u>99,708</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Raising funds		5,615	-	5,615	5,871
Charitable activities	5	1,628	46,628	48,256	32,058
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<u>7,243</u>	<u>46,628</u>	<u>53,871</u>	<u>37,929</u>
<b>Net (loss)/gains on investments</b>	4	<u>(46,803)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(46,803)</u>	<u>42,499</u>
<b>Net income and movement in funds</b>		30,954	(34,162)	(3,208)	104,278
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>					
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>		987,735	48,103	1,035,838	931,560
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<u>1,018,689</u>	<u>13,941</u>	<u>1,032,630</u>	<u>1,035,838</u>

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<b>Fixed Asset Investments at Market Value</b>					
Quoted investments					
UK quoted securities	4		935,150		946,304
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<b>Debtors</b>					
Dividend			-		650
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Barclays		71,540		82,013	
Rathbone Investment Management					
Capital Account		30,288		11,546	
Income Account		793		-	
		-----		-----	
			102,621		93,559
			-----		-----
			1,037,771		1,040,513
<b>Current liabilities</b>					
Sayers Butterworth LLP		2,200		2,040	
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Independent Examiners		1,500		1,200	
Rathbone Investment Management		1,441		1,435	
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			5,141		4,675
<b>Net Assets</b>			-----		-----
			1,032,630		1,035,838
			=====		=====
<b>REPRESENTING:</b>					
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## THE BLANES TRUST

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No Trustees received remuneration or expenses.

3 Investment Income

	2023	2023	2023	2022
	Expendable	Unrestricted	Total	Total
	Endowment	Funds	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£
Bank deposit interest	-	378	378	-
Dividends	-	12,088	12,088	14,966
	-	12,466	12,466	14,966

4 Fixed Asset Investments

Quoted Investments

	2023	2023	2023	2022
	£		£	
Opening market value at 1 April 2022		946,304		832,896
Investments transferred from Settlor		85,000		84,742
Additions during the year		315,787		763,308
Disposals during the year		363,587		(776,862)
Equalisation Payment		1,551		(279)
Net realised (loss) /gain on disposals	11,480		45,242	
Net unrealised loss on revaluation	35,323		(2,743)	
		(46,803)		42,499
<b>Closing market value at 31 March 2023</b>		<b>935,150</b>		<b>946,304</b>
<b>Historical cost</b>		<b>949,594</b>		<b>933,637</b>

5 Costs of Charitable Activities

	2023	2023	2022	2022
	Expendable	Unrestricted	Expendable	Unrestricted
	Endowment	Funds	Endowment	Funds
	£	£	£	£
Donations	-	45,000	-	30,000
Support costs	1,628	1,628	1,029	1,029
	1,628	46,628	1,029	31,029

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YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

**6 Support Costs (including Governance costs)**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>Expendable</b>	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>Endowment</b>	<b>Funds</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Accountancy and taxation charges</b>				
including overprovision for previous year				
Year ended 31st March 2023	728	728	1,456	1,458
<b>Independent Examiners review</b>				
including underprovision for previous year				
Year ended 31st March 2023	900	900	1,800	600
	<u>1,628</u>	<u>1,628</u>	<u>3,256</u>	<u>2,058</u>

**7 Donations payable**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Cruse Bereavement Care	-	4,000
Hampstead Theatre	15,000	-
Minority Rights Group	25,000	25,000
The Roundhouse	5,000	-
Winston's Wish	-	1,000
	<u>45,000</u>	<u>30,000</u>

The objectives of the Trust are fulfilled by the Trustees through consideration of appeals and making grants in response thereto. All grants made are for the general support of the recipient.

**8 Employees**

There were no employees during the year

**9 Related Party Transactions**

Aside from donations received during the year, from one of the trustees, there were no related party transactions during the period.

**10 Controlling Party**

No one party has overall control of the Trust.

**THE BLANES TRUST**

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**11 Funds**

Unrestricted funds comprise those funds which the Trust is free to use in accordance with the charitable objects.

Expendable endowment fund represents those assets, principally investments, that are held by the charity on a more permanent basis.

Any capital gains or losses arising on the investments form part of the fund.

Investment management charges and legal advice relating to the fund are charged against the fund.

Income arising on the endowment fund is included as Unrestricted income.

Clause 3 of the Trust Deed gives the power to apply the Trust Fund for such charitable purposes as the Trustees shall in their absolute discretion determine.

**12 Analysis of cash and cash equivalents**

	2023 £	2022 £
Cash at bank	102,621	93,559
	102,621	93,559

**13 Analysis of net assets between funds**

	Expendable Endowment Fund £	Unrestricted Income Fund £	2023 Total £	2022 Total £
Fund balances at 31 March 2023 are represented by:				
Fixed assets	935,150	-	935,150	946,304
Current assets	86,830	15,791	102,621	94,209
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(3,291)	(1,850)	(5,141)	(4,675)
	1,018,689	13,941	1,032,630	1,035,838

**14 Statement of funds**

	Brought Forward £	Incoming Resources £	Expenditure £	Gains / (Losses) £	Transfer between Funds £	Carried Forward £
Unrestricted funds	48,103	12,466	(46,628)	-	-	13,941
Expendable endowment funds	987,735	85,000	(7,243)	(46,803)	-	1,018,689
Total of funds	1,035,838	97,466	(53,871)	(46,803)	-	1,032,630

**THE BLANES TRUST**

England & Wales - Charity number 1093610

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# Accounts

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**Charity Number: 1093610**

**THE BLANES TRUST**

**STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE**

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**Activities and achievements during the year**

The Trust continued to consider requests for funding and to respond thereto. Income amounted to £99,708 which included a donation from the settlor of £84,742, this compared to £93,524 in the previous year. Donations of £30,000, were made during the year compared to £38,000 in the previous year. Support costs totalled £2,058.

**Administration Information**

The Blanes Trust is constituted by a Trust Deed dated 13th March 2002 and is a registered Charity number 1093610 under clause 4(1). The statutory power of appointing new or additional Trustees is by a resolution of the Trustees passed at a special meeting. There is a minimum number of three Trustees.

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**Risk Factors**

The Trustees have taken advantage of exemption available for charities with incoming resources of less than £500,000 not to carry out a risk assessment.

**Investment Policy**

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The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in Section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the general guidance issued by the Charities Commission on public benefit.

**Related Party Transactions**

There were no related party transactions during the period.

**Responsibilities of the Trustees**

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

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- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) regulations 2008 and the provisions of the Trust Deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention of fraud and other irregularities.

  
T Astor

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:

Date: 13/01/23

## THE BLANES TRUST

### INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

#### Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of The Blanes Trust

I report to the charity Trustees on my examinations of the accounts of The Blanes Trust for the year ended 31 March 2022 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and related notes.

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Charity's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charity and the Charity's trustees as a body, for my work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

#### Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examinations I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

An independent examination does not involve gathering all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently does not cover all the matters that an auditor considers in giving their opinion on the financial statements. The planning and conduct of an audit goes beyond the limited assurance that an independent examination can provide. Consequently I express no opinion as to whether the financial statements present a 'true and fair' view and my report is limited to those specific matters set out in the independent examiner's statement

#### Independent examiner's statement

I 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:

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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



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Date: 13 January 2023

**THE BLANES TRUST**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE  
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

	Note	Expendable Endowment £	Unrestricted Funds £	2022 Total Funds £	2021 Total Funds £
<b>Income from:</b>					
Investment income	3	-	14,966	14,966	13,524
Donation from settlor		84,742	-	84,742	80,000
<b>Total Income</b>		<u>84,742</u>	<u>14,966</u>	<u>99,708</u>	<u>93,524</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Raising funds		5,871	-	5,871	4,841
Charitable activities	5	1,029	31,029	32,058	42,140
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<u>6,900</u>	<u>31,029</u>	<u>37,929</u>	<u>46,981</u>
<b>Net gains on investments</b>	4	42,499	-	42,499	123,820
<b>Net income and movement in funds</b>		120,341	(16,063)	104,278	170,363
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>					
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>		867,394	64,166	931,560	761,197
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<u>987,735</u>	<u>48,103</u>	<u>1,035,838</u>	<u>931,560</u>

All activities relate to continuing operations.

The notes on pages 6 to 9 form part of these financial statements.

**THE BLANES TRUST**  
**BALANCE SHEET AS AT**  
**31 MARCH 2022**

	Note	Year ended 31 March 2022		Year ended 31 March 2021	
		£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed Asset Investments at Market Value</b>					
Quoted investments					
UK quoted securities	4		946,304		832,896
<b>Current Assets</b>					
<b>Debtors</b>					
Dividend			650		354
<b>Cash at Bank</b>					
Cater Allen Private Bank		-		103,340	
Barclays		82,013		-	
Rathbone Investment Management					
Capital Account		11,546		3,246	
Income Account		-		-	
			<u>93,559</u>		<u>106,586</u>
			<u>1,040,513</u>		<u>939,836</u>
<b>Current liabilities</b>					
Sayers Butterworth LLP		2,040		4,580	
Sayers Butterworth LLP					
Independent Examiners		1,200		2,440	
Rathbone Investment Management		1,435		1,256	
			<u>4,675</u>		<u>8,276</u>
<b>Net Assets</b>			<u><u>1,035,838</u></u>		<u><u>931,560</u></u>
<b>REPRESENTING:</b>					
<b>Expendable Endowment Funds</b>	13		987,735		867,394
<b>Unrestricted Income Funds</b>	13		48,103		64,166
			<u><u>1,035,838</u></u>		<u><u>931,560</u></u>

The accounts were approved by the Trustees on 13 January 2023 and signed on their behalf, by:

.....  
T Astor

## THE BLANES TRUST

### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

#### 1 Accounting Policies

##### (a) Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (Second Edition) and the Financial Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (Second Edition) rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

The Blanes Trust is a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. In preparing the financial statements the Trustees have considered the effects of COVID-19 on the Charity's activities. There are no material uncertainties regarding the Charity's ability to continue and so the going concern basis has been adopted.

##### (b) Income

Investment income is accounted for in the period in which the charity is entitled to receipt. Investment income received by the Charity qualifying for the repayment of income tax has been grossed up for tax recoverable and this gross amount is recognised on the SOFA.

Income from donations is included in incoming resources when these are receivable, except as follows:

When donors specify that donations given to the Charity must be used in future accounting periods, the income is deferred until those periods. When donors impose conditions which have to be fulfilled before the Trust becomes entitled to use such income, the income is deferred and not included in incoming resources until the pre-conditions for use have been met.

##### (c) Taxation

No provision for taxation is included in the accounts as the Charity is entitled to the exemption for tax afforded by Part 10 of the Income Tax Act 2007 and Section 256 of the Chargeable Gains Act 1992.

##### (d) Expenditure

Expenditure is included on an accruals basis and includes irrecoverable value added tax. Donations payable are charged in the year when the offer is conveyed to the recipient except in those cases where the offer is conditional, such donations being recognised as expenditure when the conditions attaching are fulfilled. Donations offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end are noted as a commitment, but not accrued as expenditure.

(e) Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the Charity and include costs linked to the strategic management of the Charity.

(f) Investments are valued at open market value.

(g) Fund accounting - Details of the nature and purpose of each fund is set out in note 11.

##### (h) Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and 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.

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**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE  
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

**1 Accounting policies (continued)**

**(i) 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 a 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.

**(j) Financial instruments**

The Charity only has financial instruments of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at settlement value.

**2 Trustees Remuneration and Expenses**

No Trustees received remuneration or expenses.

**3 Investment Income**

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	<b>Expendable</b>	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>Endowment</b>	<b>Funds</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Bank deposit interest	-	-	-	20
Dividends	-	14,966	14,966	13,187
Tax repayment interest	-	-	-	317
	<u>-</u>	<u>14,966</u>	<u>14,966</u>	<u>13,524</u>

**4 Fixed Asset Investments**

**Quoted Investments**

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2021</b>
	<b>£</b>		<b>£</b>	
Opening market value at 1 April 2021		832,896		624,422
Investments transferred from Settlor		84,742		80,000
Additions during the year		763,308		170,416
Disposals during the year		(776,862)		(165,432)
Equalisation Payment		(279)		(330)
Net realised gain on disposals	45,242		7,741	
Net unrealised (loss)/gain on revaluation	(2,743)		116,079	
		<u>42,499</u>		<u>123,820</u>
<b>Closing market value at 31 March 2022</b>		<u><u>946,304</u></u>		<u><u>832,896</u></u>
<b>Historical cost</b>		<u><u>933,637</u></u>		<u><u>636,574</u></u>

**5 Costs of Charitable Activities**

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	<b>Expendable</b>	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>Endowment</b>	<b>Funds</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Donations	-	30,000	30,000	38,000
Support costs	1,029	1,029	2,058	4,140
	<u>1,029</u>	<u>31,029</u>	<u>32,058</u>	<u>42,140</u>

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**6 Support Costs (including Governance costs)**

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	<b>Expendable</b>	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>Endowment</b>	<b>Funds</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Accountancy and taxation charges</b>				
including overprovision for previous year				
Year ended 31st March 2022	729	729	1,458	2,660
<b>Independent Examiners review</b>				
including overprovision for previous year				
Year ended 31st March 2022	300	300	600	1,480
	<b>1,029</b>	<b>1,029</b>	<b>2,058</b>	<b>4,140</b>
	<b>1,029</b>	<b>1,029</b>	<b>2,058</b>	<b>4,140</b>

**7 Donations payable**

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Cruse Bereavement Care	4,000	-
Hampstead Theatre	-	12,500
Hoping Foundation	-	500
Minority Rights Group	25,000	25,000
Winston's Wish	1,000	-
	<b>30,000</b>	<b>38,000</b>
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### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

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Income arising on the endowment fund is included as Unrestricted income.

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	2022 £	2021 £
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	Expendable Endowment Fund £	Unrestricted Income Fund £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
Fund balances at 31 March 2022 are represented by:				
Fixed assets	946,304	-	946,304	832,896
Current assets	44,486	49,723	94,209	106,940
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(3,055)	(1,620)	(4,675)	(8,276)
	987,735	48,103	1,035,838	931,560

#### 14 Statement of funds

	Brought Forward £	Incoming Resources £	Expenditure £	Gains / (Losses) £	Transfer between Funds £	Carried Forward £
Unrestricted funds	64,166	14,966	(31,029)	-	-	48,103
Expendable endowment funds	867,394	84,742	(6,900)	42,499	-	987,735
Total of funds	931,560	99,708	(37,929)	42,499	-	1,035,838

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THE BLANES TRUST  
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The Trust continued to consider requests for funding and to respond thereto. Income amounted to £93,524 which included a donation from the settlor of £80,000 this compared to £80,277 in the previous year. Donations of £38,000, were made during the year compared to £108,393 in the previous year. Support costs totalled £4,140.

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**Reserves Policy**

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**Public Benefit**

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**Related Party Transactions**

There were no related party transactions during the period.

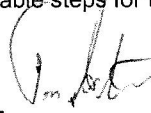
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- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) regulations 2008 and the provisions of the Trust Deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention of fraud and other irregularities.

  
T Astor  
Signed on behalf of the Trustees:

Date: 17/11/21

**THE BLANES TRUST**

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of The Blanes Trust**

I report to the charity Trustees on my examinations of the accounts of The Blanes Trust for the year ended 31 March 2021 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and related notes.

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Charity's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charity and the Charity's trustees as a body, for my work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the Trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examinations I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

An independent examination does not involve gathering all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently does not cover all the matters that an auditor considers in giving their opinion on the financial statements. The planning and conduct of an audit goes beyond the limited assurance that an independent examination can provide. Consequently I express no opinion as to whether the financial statements present a 'true and fair' view and my report is limited to those specific matters set out in the independent examiner's statement

**Independent examiner's statement**

I 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:

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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



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London  
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Date: 10/11/2021

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE  
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

	Note	Expendable Endowment	Unrestricted Funds	2021 Total Funds	2020 Total Funds
		£	£	£	£
<b>Income from:</b>					
Investment income	3	-	13,524	13,524	13,651
Donation from settlor		80,000	-	80,000	80,277
<b>Total Income</b>		<u>80,000</u>	<u>13,524</u>	<u>93,524</u>	<u>93,928</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Raising funds		4,841	-	4,841	4,130
Charitable activities	5	2,070	40,070	42,140	111,795
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<u>6,911</u>	<u>40,070</u>	<u>46,981</u>	<u>115,925</u>
<b>Net gains /(Loss) on investments</b>	4	123,820	-	123,820	(49,598)
<b>Net income and movement in funds</b>		196,909	(26,546)	170,363	(71,595)
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>					
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>		670,485	90,712	761,197	832,792
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<u>867,394</u>	<u>64,166</u>	<u>931,560</u>	<u>761,197</u>

All activities relate to continuing operations.

The notes on pages 6 to 9 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT  
31 MARCH 2021

	Note	Year ended 31 March 2021		Year ended 31 March 2020	
		£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed Asset Investments at Market Value</b>					
Quoted investments					
UK quoted securities	4		832,896		624,422
<b>Current Assets</b>					
<b>Debtors</b>					
Inland Revenue					
2017-2018		-		25,000	
2018-2019		-		15,000	
Dividend		354		-	
			354		40,000
<b>Cash at Bank</b>					
Cater Allen Private Bank		103,340		91,730	
Rathbone Investment Management					
Capital Account		3,246		12,426	
Income Account		-		82	
			106,586		104,238
			<u>939,836</u>		<u>768,660</u>
<b>Current liabilities</b>					
Sayers Butterworth LLP (2 years)		4,580		4,530	
Sayers Butterworth LLP					
Independent Examiners (2 Years)		2,440		1,992	
Rathbone Investment Management		1,256		941	
			8,276		7,463
<b>Net Assets</b>			<u>931,560</u>		<u>761,197</u>
<b>REPRESENTING:</b>					
<b>Expendable Endowment Funds</b>	13		867,394		670,485
<b>Unrestricted Income Funds</b>	13		64,166		90,712
			<u>931,560</u>		<u>761,197</u>

The accounts were approved by the Trustees on 12/11/21

T Astor

and signed on their behalf, by:

## THE BLANES TRUST

### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

#### 1 Accounting Policies

##### (a) Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (Second Edition) and the Financial Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (Second Edition) rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

The Blanes Trust is a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. In preparing the financial statements the Trustees have considered the effects of COVID-19 on the Charity's activities. There are no material uncertainties regarding the Charity's ability to continue and so the going concern basis has been adopted.

##### (b) Income

Investment income is accounted for in the period in which the charity is entitled to receipt. Investment income received by the Charity qualifying for the repayment of income tax has been grossed up for tax recoverable and this gross amount is recognised on the SOFA.

Income from donations is included in incoming resources when these are receivable, except as follows:

When donors specify that donations given to the Charity must be used in future accounting periods, the income is deferred until those periods. When donors impose conditions which have to be fulfilled before the Trust becomes entitled to use such income, the income is deferred and not included in incoming resources until the pre-conditions for use have been met.

##### (c) Taxation

No provision for taxation is included in the accounts as the Charity is entitled to the exemption for tax afforded by Part 10 of the Income Tax Act 2007 and Section 256 of the Chargeable Gains Act 1992.

##### (d) Expenditure

Expenditure is included on an accruals basis and includes irrecoverable value added tax. Donations payable are charged in the year when the offer is conveyed to the recipient except in those cases where the offer is conditional, such donations being recognised as expenditure when the conditions attaching are fulfilled. Donations offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end are noted as a commitment, but not accrued as expenditure.

(e) Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the Charity and include costs linked to the strategic management of the Charity.

(f) Investments are valued at open market value.

(g) Fund accounting - Details of the nature and purpose of each fund is set out in note 11.

##### (h) Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and 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.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE  
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

1 Accounting policies (continued)

(i) 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 a 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.

(j) Financial instruments

The Charity only has financial instruments of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at settlement value.

2 Trustees Remuneration and Expenses

No Trustees received remuneration or expenses.

3 Investment Income

	2021	2021	2021	2020
	Expendable	Unrestricted	Total	Total
	Endowment	Funds	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£
Bank deposit interest	-	20	20	106
Dividends	-	13,187	13,187	13,545
Tax repayment interest	-	317	317	-
	-	13,524	13,524	13,651

4 Fixed Asset Investments

Quoted Investments

	2021	2021	2020	2020
	£		£	
Opening market value at 1 April 2020		624,422		648,201
Investments transferred from Settlor		80,000		80,277
Additions during the year		170,416		55,032
Disposals during the year		(165,432)		(109,100)
Equalisation Payment		(330)		(390)
Net realised gain/(loss) on disposals	7,741		(1,076)	
Net unrealised gain/(loss) on revaluation	116,079		(48,522)	
		123,820		(49,598)
<b>Closing market value at 31 March 2021</b>		<b>832,896</b>		<b>624,422</b>
<b>Historical cost</b>		<b>636,574</b>		<b>537,539</b>

5 Costs of Charitable Activities

	2021	2021	2021	2020
	Expendable	Unrestricted	Total	Total
	Endowment	Funds	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£
Donations	-	38,000	38,000	108,393
Support costs	2,070	2,070	4,140	3,402
	2,070	40,070	42,140	111,795

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE  
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6 Support Costs (including Governance costs)

	2021 Expendable Endowment £	2021 Unrestricted Funds £	2021 Total £	2020 Total £
<b>Accountancy and taxation charges</b>				
including underprovision for previous year				
Year ended 31st March 2021	1,330	1,330	2,660	2,250
<b>Independent Examiners review</b>				
including underprovision for previous year				
Year ended 31st March 2021	740	740	1,480	1,152
	<u>2,070</u>	<u>2,070</u>	<u>4,140</u>	<u>3,402</u>

7 Donations payable

	2021 £	2020 £
Birbeck University of London	-	30,000
Centre for Freudian Analysis and Research	-	3,000
Hampstead Theatre	12,500	20,000
Hoping Foundation	500	-
Kensington & Chelsea Cruse	-	1,500
Minority Rights Group	25,000	50,000
Oxford University	-	3,893
	<u>38,000</u>	<u>108,393</u>

The objectives of the Trust are fulfilled by the Trustees through consideration of appeals and making grants in response thereto. All grants made are for the general support of the recipient.

8 Employees

There were no employees during the year

9 Related Party Transactions

Aside from donations received during the year, from one of the trustees, there were no related party transactions during the period.

10 Controlling Party

No one party has overall control of the Trust.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE  
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

11 Funds

Unrestricted funds comprise those funds which the Trust is free to use in accordance with the charitable objects.

Expendable endowment fund represents those assets, principally investments, that are held by the charity on a more permanent basis.

Any capital gains or losses arising on the investments form part of the fund.

Investment management charges and legal advice relating to the fund are charged against the fund.

Income arising on the endowment fund is included as Unrestricted income.

Clause 3 of the Trust Deed gives the power to apply the Trust Fund for such charitable purposes as the Trustees shall in their absolute discretion determine.

12 Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

	2021 £	2020 £
Cash at bank	106,586	104,238
	<u>106,586</u>	<u>104,238</u>

13 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Expendable Endowment Fund £	Unrestricted Income Fund £	2021 Total £	2020 Total £
Fund balances at 31 March 2021 are represented by:				
Fixed assets	832,896	-	832,896	624,422
Current assets	39,264	67,676	106,940	144,238
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	<u>(4,766)</u>	<u>(3,510)</u>	<u>(8,276)</u>	<u>(7,463)</u>
	<u>867,394</u>	<u>64,166</u>	<u>931,560</u>	<u>761,197</u>

14 Statement of funds

	Brought Forward £	Incoming Resources £	Expenditure £	Gains / (Losses) £	Transfer between Funds £	Carried Forward £
Unrestricted funds	90,712	13,524	<u>(40,070)</u>	-	-	64,166
Expendable endowment funds	670,485	80,000	<u>(6,911)</u>	123,820	-	867,394
Total of funds	<u>761,197</u>	<u>93,524</u>	<u>(46,981)</u>	123,820	-	<u>931,560</u>