

**REFORM CLUB CONSERVATION CHARITABLE TRUST**  
**REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

**Charity Number 1104820**

**REFORM CLUB CONSERVATION CHARITABLE TRUST**  
**UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

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**REFORM CLUB CONSERVATION CHARITABLE TRUST  
REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

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<b>Registered Charity Name</b>	Reform Club Conservation Charitable Trust
<b>Charity Registration Number</b>	1104820
<b>Principal Office</b>	104 Pall Mall London SW1Y 5EW
<b>The Trustees</b>	Dr Steve Wharton Dr Claire Gapper Anthony Halmos Alan Johnson Jackie Lam Melinda Moore Christopher Smallwood
<b>Independent Examiner</b>	HaysMac LLP 10 Queen Street Place London EC4R 1AG
<b>Bankers</b>	Bank of Scotland plc PO Box 1000 BX2 1LB

## **REFORM CLUB CONSERVATION CHARITABLE TRUST TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

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### **STRUCTURE GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

The Reform Club Conservation Charitable Trust (the "Trust" or the "Charity") was established under a Trust Deed dated 12 February 2008. The Board of Trustees meet three times a year and more frequently, if required. The Trust has no subcommittees.

Section 8 (1) of the Trust Deed states:

"There shall be at least seven Trustees who shall comprise" (Name of the office holders on 31 December 2024 in brackets)

#### Ex-officio Trustees:

The Chairman of the Club (Christopher SMALLWOOD)

The Chair of the Finance Committee of the Club (David PFEIFFER until 15 January 2025, and Melinda MOORE from this date.)

The Chairman of the House and Fabric Committee of the Club (Anthony HALMOS)

#### Nominated Trustee:

One trustee of the Club nominated by the trustees of the Club (Dr Steve WHARTON)

Elected Trustees Two members of the Club, not trustees of the Club or serving members of the Club's General Committee, who shall be elected by the members of the Club.

(Dr Claire GAPPER)

(Mr Jackie Yu Hon LAM) from 18 September 2024

Non-Club Trustee One person who is not a member of the Club who shall be appointed by the Trustees after considering the nomination of the Victorian Society, Charity number 1081435. (Alan JOHNSON)

The Chairman of the Charitable Trust at 31 December is Dr Steve Wharton.

#### Changes in Trustees

The following was appointed Trustee in 2024:

- Jackie Lam (on 18 September 2024)

### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

The Trust was founded to assist the Reform Club in carry out its duty of conserving the Reform Club building, a Grade 1 listed building and its art collection, furniture, and artifacts. The building is held by the Reform Club on a 99 Year lease from the Crown Estate, which expires in 2084.

Section 3 of the Trust Deed defines the Objects of the Trust

"The Trustees shall hold the Trust Fund and its income upon Trust to apply them for:

- (1) The preservation and enhancement, for the benefit of the public, the Reform Club Building, located in Pall Mall by encouraging reasonable public access to view its historic and architectural features, art collection, furniture and artefacts and
- (2) such charitable purposes as the Trustees in their absolute discretion from time to time think fit"

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The Trustees have given due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, when reviewing the aims and objectives, in making grants and planning future activities of the Charity."

Future Funds received will automatically be applied to the Unrestricted Fund unless it is specifically requested that the donation or legacy be applied to some specific purpose, in which case it will be applied to the Restricted Funds.

During the year £400 of donations were applied to the Unrestricted Fund and £38,310 was applied to the Restricted Fund. Gift Aid of £3,365 was accrued for and claimed in 2024, all of which was applied to the Restricted Funds. Furthermore, during the year the charitable trust was notified of a forthcoming substantial bequest of £500,000. This bequest was formally confirmed prior to the reporting date, establishing entitlement and allowing the amount to be measured reliably. Accordingly, the income has been recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December. The cash was received after the year end, with the net amount received being £499,940; this is treated as an unrestricted donation.

### **ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE**

During the year a new fundraising project was launched: the cleaning and painting of the lamps/flambeaux on the Club's Pall Mall balustrade. The Trust also agreed to fund a 'Digital Twin' of the Clubhouse provided at a greatly reduced cost thanks to additional generous support in kind from a member. This will be helpful in future restoration/renovation works as well as providing a snapshot of the Clubhouse and its contents in 2024. Finally, following an approach from the Club together with an undertaking on the part of the Club to use the purchase towards encouraging reasonable public access to concerts and to support musical training and development – including performances during London open House in September of each year, reporting back regularly to the Trust on these activities – a decision was taken in September 2024 in support of fundraising towards the purchase of a Steinway D piano.

The Trust held its annual 'Open Day' in the Saloon of the Club House on 17 July 2024. A series of information displays sought to raise awareness of the Trust's existence and work, to seek funds for current appeals and to say 'thank you' to donors. Trustees were present throughout the event to answer questions.

#### **Public Access to the building and collections**

##### **Open House London**

The Club has taken part in Open House London ever since 2003, the year the Charitable Trust was founded. In the first year, the Club House was open on Saturday only and we had 306 people visitors. From 2007 it was extended to two days and over 500 visitors were welcomed. Open House London started in 1992 since when it has been encouraging owners of architecturally and historic buildings to allow free tours. The event takes place over a weekend in September.

##### **Tours of the Club House**

Since 2003 private tours of the Club House have also been organised for which a suggested donation is requested. The tours take place by appointment in between 10 am and 12 noon during weekdays. The groups are guided round the Club House by one or two volunteer guides. Given low uptake post-Covid, the Trustees resolved to give wider public notice to this opportunity via the Trust's planned web site., to be launched in 2025.

### **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

The net income showed a surplus over expenditure of £535,645 (2023: deficit £36,123) after the inclusion of the bequest noted above. On 31 December 2024 the Trust's net assets totalled £606,507 (2023: £70,862).

The Trustees do have reserves policy which dictates that the RCCCT's Financial Reserves are held for two main purposes:

- i) To provide working capital to meet the needs of the RCCCT and designated future activities [the "General Fund"].
- ii) To provide financial stability and security by making provisions against prudent risks the RCCCT might encounter [the "Contingency Fund"]

The financial assets of the RCCCT are currently all cash at bank.

The General Fund, item (i), provides working capital to cover cashflow requirements. The Contingency Fund covers item (ii): the Trustees aim to maintain it at around £12,000, this being a worst-case estimate of the total financial impact of maintaining the activities of the RCCCT pending new income from donations and fundraising.

#### **Trustees' Responsibilities Statement in Respect of the Accounts**

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 General Accepted Accounting Practice).

The Fund's rules require the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Fund and the income and expenditure for that period. In preparing those financial statements the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Trust will continue in business; and
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Fund and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with General Directions given by the Charities Commissioners. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Fund and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees Annual Report was approved on 14 October 2025 and signed on behalf of the Board of Trustees by:



Dr Steve Wharton  
Trustee

**REFORM CLUB CONSERVATION CHARITABLE TRUST  
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE REFORM CLUB  
CONSERVATION CHARITABLE TRUST  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

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I report to the Trustees on my examination of the financial statements of the Reform Club Conservation Charitable Trust for the period ended 31 December 2024 which are set out on pages 8 to 12.

**Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner**

The Charity's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Charity's Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 (2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

I report in respect of my examination of the Funds accounts as carried out under section 44 (1) © of the 2005 Act and section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145 (5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

**Independent Examiner's Statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Account 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.

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14 Oct 2025

**REFORM CLUB CONSERVATION CHARITABLE TRUST**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

		<b>2024</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
	<b>Note</b>	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>Restricted Funds</b>	<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>Total Funds</b>
<b>Income and Expenditure</b>					
<b>Income</b>					
Donations and legacies	4	500,400	41,675	542,075	58,273
Other income		1,576	-	1,576	2,361
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>501,976</b>	<b>41,675</b>	<b>543,651</b>	<b>60,634</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>					
Expenditure on charitable activities	5	3,246	-	3,246	92,405
Independent Examiner Fee		3,800	-	3,800	3,600
Governance costs	6	960	-	960	752
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<b>8,006</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>8,006</b>	<b>96,757</b>
<b>Net income/(deficit) and net movement in Funds</b>		<b>493,970</b>	<b>41,675</b>	<b>535,645</b>	<b>(36,123)</b>
<b>Reconciliation of Funds</b>					
Total Funds Brought Forward		26,525	44,337	70,862	106,985
<b>Total Funds Carried Forward</b>		<b>520,495</b>	<b>86,012</b>	<b>606,507</b>	<b>70,862</b>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 10 to 13 form part of these financial statements

**REFORM CLUB CONSERVATION CHARITABLE TRUST**  
**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024**

		<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Trade and other debtors		<b>503,365</b>	6,608
Cash at bank and in hand		<b>110,946</b>	161,459
		<b>614,311</b>	168,067
<b>Creditors: due within one year</b>			
Trade and other creditors		<b>(7,804)</b>	(97,205)
<b>Net current assets</b>		<b>606,507</b>	70,862
<b>Funds of the Charity</b>			
Unrestricted Funds	8	520,495	26,525
Restricted Funds	8	86,012	44,337
<b>Total Charity Funds</b>		<b>606,507</b>	70,862

These financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on and are signed on behalf of the Board by:



Dr Steve Wharton  
Trustee

14 Oct 2025

The notes on pages 10 to 13 form part of these financial statements

**REFORM CLUB CONSERVATION CHARITABLE TRUST**  
**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

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**1. General information**

The Reform Club Conservation Charitable Trust is an unincorporated Charity governed by a Trust Deed and registered with the Charity Commission in England and Wales under registered number 1104820. The principal address is 104 Pall Mall, London SW1Y 5EW. The objectives of the Charity are set out on page 4.

**2. Statement of compliance**

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS102 the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the Statement of Recommended Practice for Charities (SORP 2015. Second Edition, effective 1 January 2019) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland.

**3. Accounting policies**

**Basis of preparation**

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value through income and expenditure.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

The Charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

**Going Concern**

There are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern for at least twelve months from approving the accounts.

**Disclosure exemptions**

The Charity has taken advantage of the exemption in "Bulletin 1: Amendments to 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" from the requirement to produce a cashflow statement on the grounds that it is a small Charity.

**Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty**

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. There are no areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial information.

**Fund accounting**

The Unrestricted Fund comprises the capital account, which may be used for the payments of grants at the discretion of the Trustees. Income received during the year is credited to the Unrestricted Fund unless otherwise specified by the donor.

It is the Trustees' intention that future grants will be paid out of the Restricted Fund which comprises income from specified donations when funds allow. Income is applied to the Restricted Fund when it is specifically requested that a donation should be used in a specified period.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

**Income**

All income is included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the Charity, it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the Charity and the amount can be reliably measured. Donations are recognised when the Trust has been notified in writing of both the amount and settlement date.

**Expenditure**

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or construction 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.

Expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a Charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the Charity apportioned to charitable activities.

**Financial Instruments**

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

**Cash at Bank**

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**

Creditors and any 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.

**4. Donations and Legacies**

	2024 £	2024 £	2024 £	2023 £
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
<b>Donations</b>				
Donations & legacies	500,400	38,310	538,710	52,824
Gift Aid	-	3,365	3,365	5,449
	<b>500,400</b>	<b>41,675</b>	<b>542,075</b>	<b>58,273</b>

2023 restricted income consisted of £27,124 from Donations and £4,036 from Gift Aid.

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**5. Expenditure on Charitable Activities by Fund Type**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>Restricted Funds</b>	<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>Total Funds</b>
Collection purchases	-	-	-	89,549
Other charitable activity	3,246	-	3,246	2,856
	<b>3,246</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,246</b>	<b>92,405</b>

2023 restricted expenditure consisted of £77,550.

**6. Analysis of Support Costs**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>
Governance and related costs	960	752
	<b>960</b>	<b>752</b>

**7. Trustees' Remuneration and Expenses**

None of the Trustees, or persons connected with them, received remuneration or reimbursement of expenses during the year or prior year.

The Charity did not have any employees during the year.

## 8. Analysis of Charitable Funds

	£	£	£	£
	At 1 January 2024	Income	Expenditure	At 31 December 2024
Unrestricted Fund	26,525	501,916	(7,946)	520,495
Restricted Fund	44,337	41,675	-	86,012
	<b>70,862</b>	<b>543,951</b>	<b>(7,946)</b>	<b>606,507</b>

  

	At 1 January 2023	Income	Expenditure	At 31 December 2023
Unrestricted Fund	16,258	29,474	(19,207)	26,525
Restricted Fund	90,727	31,160	(77,550)	44,337
	<b>106,985</b>	<b>60,634</b>	<b>(96,757)</b>	<b>70,862</b>

