

**Registered Charity Number: 1111813**

**The John Ackroyd Charitable Trust**

**Report and Accounts**

**For the year ended 5th April 2025**

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**The John Ackroyd Charitable Trust**  
**Company Information**

<b>Trustees</b>	P Bell (Chair) J Bell (Deceased) P Payne (Resigned) R Mott S Dyke
<b>Principal Office</b>	Hayeswood House Moorside Sturminster Newton Dorset DT10 1HJ
<b>Solicitors</b>	Boodle Hatfield 6 Worcester Street Oxford OX1 2BX
<b>Accountants</b>	Artema Ltd Brooke House Oakley Hill Wimborne Dorset BH21 1RJ
<b>Investment Advisers</b>	Rathbones, Incorporating Investec Midland House 2 Poole Road Bournemouth Dorset BH2 5QY
<b>Charity Registered number</b>	1111813

## **The John Ackroyd Charitable Trust**

### **The report of the trustees**

The Trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 5th April 2025.

#### **Name, registered office and constitution of the charity**

Charity name: The John Ackroyd Charitable Trust

Date of Trust deed: 27 January 2000

Charity registration number: 1111813

#### **Aims and objectives**

The charity is governed by a written constitution in which its objects are set out.

The objects of the trust are:

- The relief of poverty and hardship among homeless and needy people of all ages, but especially young people;
- The relief and medical care of persons who are suffering from any illness, disability, disease or other infirmity whether physical or mental, in particular (but not limited to) the relief of children and young persons who are suffering from chronic or terminal disease and the relief of the families of such children and young persons who are in conditions of need, hardship or distress, and the support of medical research and the publication of the useful results of such research;
- The advancement of education including education in the arts (particularly music) for the public benefit;
- The promotion of the protection of endangered flora and fauna for the benefit of the public;
- The relief of distress for needy victims of armed conflict or of breaches of human rights; and
- Other exclusively charitable purposes or purposes as the trustees may in their absolute discretion decide.

#### **Review of activities and plans for the future**

The board of trustees are satisfied with the performance of the charity during the year and the position at 5th April 2025. They consider that the charity is in a strong position to continue its activities during the coming year, and that the charity's assets are adequate to fulfil its obligations.

The donations agreed in the year included £5,000 to Fortuneswell Cancer Trust and £2,500 to Excelsior Trust. Neither cheques were cashed in year and so they were re-issued for the 2025/26 accounting year. They have not been recognised in the donations list for 2024/25.

#### **The organisational structure and how decisions are made**

Each trustee looks out for good causes, having in mind the smaller type of charity which John Ackroyd supported in his lifetime. Grants are given only to registered charities. The board of trustees usually meet twice a year to discuss and approve potential grants, as appropriate.

#### **Investment policies and reserves**

The investment policy of the Trust is to optimise returns from its assets over the long term, having regard to the importance of limiting shorter term fluctuations in income returns and capital values through sensible diversification. All of the Trust's assets were managed by Investec Wealth and Investments Limited.

The trustees regularly monitor the performance of the fund managers throughout the year.

The trustees aim to maintain a core capital of just over £1m to be able to generate income to make grants.

## **Risk management**

The trustees identify any major risks to which the charity is exposed to each financial year, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the charity. Reasonable steps to mitigate those risks have been made.

## **Legal Status**

The charity is an unincorporated charity governed by a written constitution adopted by its members. There are no restrictions in the governing document on the operation of the charity or on its investment powers, other than those imposed by general charity law.

## **Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities**

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

Law applicable to charities in England and Wales and registered social housing legislation requires the Board of 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 its incoming resources and application of resources in that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:-

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue to operate.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy 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 and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the Charity and financial information included in the Charity's online presence. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of the financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

This report was approved by the board on 17th November 2025 and signed on its behalf.



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P Bell  
Chair

**The John Ackroyd Charitable Trust**  
**Independent Examiner's Report**

**Report of the Independent Examiner to the Trustees**  
**on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 5th April 2025**

We report on the accounts of the Charity on pages 5 to 10 which have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (FRSSE), effective January 2015, as modified by the Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting issued by the Charity Commissioners for England & Wales, effective January 2016, adapted to meet the needs of unincorporated organisations, under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 7.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

As described on page 3, the Charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that the audit requirement of Section 43(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) does not apply, and that there is no requirement in the governing document or constitution of the Charity for the conducting of an audit. It is our responsibility to state, on the basis of the procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners for England & Wales under Section 43(7)(b) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to our attention.

**Basis of opinion**

We conducted our examination in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners for England & Wales. An examination includes a detailed review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and of the accounting systems employed by the Charity and a comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from trustees concerning such matters. The purpose of the examination is to establish as far as possible that there have been no breaches of the Charities legislation and that the accounts comply with the Statement of Recommended Practice issued by the Charity Commissioners for England & Wales (effective January 2016), on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the accounts.

The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and information supplied by the trustees in the course of the examination is not subjected to audit tests or enquiries, and consequently we do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

We planned and performed our examination so as to satisfy ourselves that the objectives of the independent examination are achieved and before finalising the report we obtain written assurances from the trustees of all material matters.

**Independent Examiner's Statement, report and opinion**

Subject to the limitations upon the scope of our work as detailed above, in connection with our examination, no matter has come to our attention which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the Act; and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act have not been met.

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17th November 2025

**The John Ackroyd Charitable Trust**  
**Statement of Financial Activities**  
**for the year ended 5th April 2025**

**Income and Expenditure Account**

		Capital & Revenue		
		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
	Notes			
		£	£	2025 £
				2024 £
<b>Incoming Resources</b>				
Operating activities in furtherance of charity's objectives		-	-	-
Investment income		28,588	-	28,588
Other incoming resources		-	-	-
<b>Total Incoming Resources</b>		<b>28,588</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>28,588</b>
Net Incoming Resources available for charitable applications		<b>28,588</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>28,588</b>
<b>Charitable expenditure</b>				
Investment management costs		10,474	-	10,474
Governance costs		807	-	807
Grants payable		25,000	-	25,000
<b>Total Resources expended</b>		<b>36,281</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>36,281</b>
<b>Net Incoming Resources before Transfers</b>		<b>(7,693)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(7,693)</b>
Transfers between funds :-		-	-	-
<b>Net Incoming Resources before revaluations and investment asset disposals</b>		<b>(7,693)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(7,693)</b>
Realised profit / (loss) on the disposal of investments		13,240	-	13,240
Unrealised gains / (losses) on investments in year		(37,022)	-	(37,022)
Book cost adjustments in year		320	-	320
<b>Net Movement in funds</b>		<b>(31,155)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(31,155)</b>
<b>Total revenue funds brought forward</b>		<b>1,058,574</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,058,574</b>
<b>Total revenue funds carried forward</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1,027,419</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,027,419</b>

The net movement in funds referred to above is the net incoming resources as defined in the Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting issued by the Charity Commissioners for England & Wales and is reconciled to the total funds as shown in the Balance Sheet on page 8 as required by the said Statement.

**All activities derive from continuing operations**

**The notes and schedule to the Statement of Financial Activities on pages 7 to 10 form an integral part of these accounts**

**The John Ackroyd Charitable Trust**  
**Balance Sheet**  
**as at 5th April 2025**

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Investments	2	<u>1,028,202</u>	<u>1,059,342</u>
		1,028,202	1,059,342
<b>Current assets</b>			
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
		-	-
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Creditors due within one year		<u>(783)</u>	<u>(768)</u>
		-	-
<b>Net current assets</b>		<u>(783)</u>	<u>(768)</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<u>1,027,419</u>	<u>1,058,574</u>
<b>Creditors:</b>			
Amounts due after more than one year		-	-
<b>Net assets</b>		<u><u>1,027,419</u></u>	<u><u>1,058,574</u></u>
<b>Capital and reserves</b>			
Unrestricted capital & revenue reserves - endowment	4	1,027,419	1,058,574
Designated funds		-	-
<b>Total funds</b>		<u><u>1,027,419</u></u>	<u><u>1,058,574</u></u>

*Peter Bell*

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P Bell

Chair

Approved for signature by the management committee on 7th November 2025

**The notes and schedule to the Statement of Financial Activities on pages 7 to 10 form an integral part of these accounts**



**The John Ackroyd Charitable Trust**  
**Notes to the Accounts**  
**for the year ended 5th April 2025**

**1 Summary of significant accounting policies**

***General information and basis of preparation***

The John Ackroyd Charitable Trust is a charity registered in England and Wales. The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities; Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102), the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2015.

The charity has applied under Update Bulletin 1 as published on 2 February 2016 and does not include a cash flow statement on the grounds that it is applying FRS102 Section 1A.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis, under the historical cost convention as modified to include certain items at fair value. The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

***Income recognition***

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the charity is legally entitled to the income after any performance conditions have been met, the amount can be measured reliably and it is probable that the income will be received.

No amount is included in the financial statements for volunteer time in line with the SORP (FRS 102).

***Investment Income***

Investment income is earned through holding assets for investment purposes such as shares and property. It includes dividends, interest and occupational charges. Interest income is recognised using the effective interest method and dividend and occupational charges income is recognised as the charity's right to receive payment is established.

***Charitable expenditure***

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Expenditure is recognised where there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payments to third parties, it is probable that the settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Charitable expenditure includes all expenditure directly related to the objects of the charity and comprises the following :-

***Activities in furtherance of the charity's objectives***

The costs of activities in furtherance of the charity's objectives represents the cost of services and ancillary trading costs that have been incurred in charitable activities.

***Management and administration of the charity***

Management and administration costs represent expenditure incurred in the management of the charity's assets, organisational administration and compliance with charitable and statutory requirements.

***Allocation of costs within types of resources expended***

Administration expenditure includes all expenditure not directly related to charitable activity. In respect of certain items of expenditure it is a matter of judgement as to whether such items are direct charitable expenditure or are administrative, and the Trustees have applied what they consider to be reasonable judgements in apportioning such costs.

**The John Ackroyd Charitable Trust**  
**Notes to the Accounts**  
**for the year ended 5th April 2025**

***Realised and unrealised gains***

Realised gains and losses are included in the accounts on the date at which a contractual obligation is entered into.

Unrealised gains and losses are computed by reference to the market value of the investments at the balance sheet date, compared to the brought forward cost or valuation, and gains and losses arising on similar categories of investments are netted off.

***Listed investments***

Listed investments have been included in the balance sheet at their mid-market value at the year end.

***Taxation***

The charity is an exempt charity within the meaning of schedule 3 of the Charities Act 2011.

***Funds***

The charity maintains the endowment funds which must be held permanently by the charity. Income arising from these funds are unrestricted and expendable at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the objects of the charity. Investment management charges and legal advice relating to the fund are charged against the fund.

The trustees ensure a fund value of £1m is maintained.

**Statement of expenses paid to trustees or connected persons**

Expenses payments to the Trustees in the year - £nil (2024: £nil).

<b>2 Investments reconciliation</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Market value of investments brought forward	1,048,147	1,008,129
Additions at cost	264,979	54,783
Disposals at carrying value	(269,840)	(67,423)
Net gains / (losses) on revaluation	(37,022)	52,658
	<u>1,006,264</u>	<u>1,048,147</u>
Cash held by investment managers	21,938	11,195
Investment portfolio valuation	<u><b>1,028,202</b></u>	<u><b>1,059,342</b></u>
<b>3 Investments at fair value are comprised of:</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Equities UK	209,002	235,364
Equities overseas	372,208	387,025
Fixed interest UK	226,138	165,534
Fixed interest overseas	49,789	49,849
Emerging economies	17,625	18,205
UK property	12,658	24,129
International property	8,291	8,603
Alternative assets	110,553	131,023
Cash and accrued interest	21,938	39,610
	<u><b>1,028,202</b></u>	<u><b>1,059,342</b></u>
<b>4 Funds</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Investments	1,028,202	1,059,342
Net current assets	(783)	(768)
At 5th April 2025	<u><b>1,027,419</b></u>	<u><b>1,058,574</b></u>

**The John Ackroyd Charitable Trust**  
**Schedule to the Statement of Financial Activities**  
**for the year ended 5th April 2025**

**Incoming Resources**

	Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Restricted Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2025 £	Prior Period Total Funds 2024 £
<b>Operating activities in furtherance of the charity's objectives</b>				
<b>Investment Income</b>				
Dividends received - UK	12,023	-	<b>12,023</b>	11,971
Dividends received - Overseas	1,801	-	<b>1,801</b>	1,301
Dividends received - Unit trusts	6,194	-	<b>6,194</b>	6,134
Interest received - UK	1,452	-	<b>1,452</b>	2,329
Interest received - Overseas	2,808	-	<b>2,808</b>	1,919
Interest received - Unit trusts	3,315	-	<b>3,315</b>	3,519
Other investment income	995	-	<b>995</b>	1,207
<b>Total Incoming Resources</b>	<b>28,588</b>	-	<b>28,588</b>	28,380

**Charitable expenditure**

***Costs of activities in furtherance of the charity's objectives***

Donations / Grants made	25,000	-	<b>25,000</b>	30,000
Investment examiner's fee	807	-	<b>807</b>	786
Investment manager's fee	10,474	-	<b>10,474</b>	12,145
Other legal and professional fees		-	-	-
	<b>36,281</b>	-	<b>36,281</b>	42,931
<b>Investment movements</b>				
Unrealised (gains) / losses on investments during year	37,022	-	<b>37,022</b>	(52,483)
(Gains) / losses on disposal of investments	(13,240)	-	<b>(13,240)</b>	(188)
Adjustments to book cost of share investments	(320)	-	<b>(320)</b>	13
	<b>23,462</b>	-	<b>23,462</b>	(52,658)
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>59,743</b>	-	<b>59,743</b>	(9,727)
<b>Total surplus / (deficit)</b>			<b>(31,155)</b>	38,107

**The John Ackroyd Charitable Trust**  
**Schedule to the Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 5th April 2025**

Analysis of grants paid	Unrestricted Funds	2025	2024
	£	£	£
<b>Grants</b>			
Ability Dogs 4 Young People	2,000	<b>2,000</b>	-
Absolute Music Trust	-	-	2,500
Assist Trust	-	-	1,000
ASVP Camberley	1,000	<b>1,000</b>	-
Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra	5,000	<b>5,000</b>	-
Child Autism	-	-	1,000
Excelsior Trust	2,500	<b>2,500</b>	-
Foreland Fields Charity	1,000	<b>1,000</b>	1,000
Frimley Health Charity	-	-	2,500
Headway Salisbury and South Wiltshire	-	-	1,000
HospisCare	-	-	1,000
Little Hearts Matter	-	-	1,000
Moor Vision	-	-	1,000
Parity for Disability	-	-	2,500
Pinewood Gymnastics Club	-	-	2,000
Pregnancy Crisis Care	-	-	1,000
Strongbones	-	-	1,000
The Beson in Camberley	-	-	2,000
The Brave and Determined	-	-	2,500
The Fountain Centre	3,000	<b>3,000</b>	-
The Global Natural Health Care Trust	-	-	5,000
The Movement Centre	-	-	1,000
The University Hospitals Dorset NHS Charity	5,000	<b>5,000</b>	-
The Vale Pantry	2,500	<b>2,500</b>	-
Vision North Somerset	-	-	1,000
Your Sanctuary	3,000	<b>3,000</b>	-
<b>Total grants</b>	<u>25,000</u>	<u><b>25,000</b></u>	<u>30,000</u>