

MONTE SAN MARTINO TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 1113897

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Charitable company

Company number [05604293](#)

Registered 2006-04-25

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

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Activities

Objects: (1) TO ADVANCE EDUCATION BY ENABLING ITALIANS TO COME TO ENGLAND TO LEARN THE LANGUAGE FOR LIMITED PERIODS IN ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING WAYS: (I)AWARDING SCHOLARSHIPS, BURSARIES OR MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCES TENABLE AT ANY SCHOOL, UNIVERSITY OR OTHER EDUCATIONAL ESTABLISHMENT IN THE UNITED KINGDOM TO PERSONS UNDER 25 YEAS OF AGE WHO OR WHOSE PARENTS OR GUARDIANS ARE RESIDENT IN ITALY;II) PROVIDING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND BURSARIES TO DEFRAY REASONABLE TRAVEL, TUITION EXPENSES AND LIVING EXPENSES WHICH WILL ENABLE SUCH PERSONS UNDER 25 YEARS OF AGE TO STUDY ENGLISH IN THE UNITED KINGDOM;III) AWARDING SUCH PERSONS GRANTS OR MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCES TO ENABLE THEM TO TRAVEL IN THE UNITED KINGDOM IN FURTHERANCE OF THEIR STUDY OF ENGLISH;IV) OTHERWISE FURTHERING THE EDUCATION OF ENGLISH OF SUCH PERSONS IN THE UNITED KINGDOM.(2) TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC ABOUT THE EXPERIENCE OF ALLIED PRISONERS OF WAR IN ITALY DURING THE SECOND WORLD WAR, AND THE BRAVERY OF THOSE WHO HELPED THEM, AND TO PUBLISH IN WHATEVER FORM MATERIAL RELATING TO THOSE EXPERIENCES.(3) TO COMMEMORATE THE EXPERIENCES OF ALLIED PRISONERS OF WAR IN ITALY DURING THE SECOND WORLD WAR, AND THE BRAVERY OF THOSE WHO HELPED THEM, IN SUCH OTHER WAYS AS THE TRUSTEES THINK FIT.

Activities: To raise funds to provide bursaries to Italian students to cover costs of residential courses in the UK. These students are usually direct descendants of, or connected with, the very families who provided much needed food and shelter to Allied prisoners of war who had escaped from their prison camps after the Armistice was signed with the Allies in 1943.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals
- **What:** Education/training
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** NOT DEFINED. IN PRACTICE NATIONAL AND OVERSEAS
- Italy

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£121,089	£185,147	-	-
2023-12-31	£88,210	£138,105	-	-
2022-12-31	£102,130	£110,285	-	-
2021-12-31	£101,484	£67,325	-	-
2020-12-31	£129,652	£38,744	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Professor Philip Cooke	Chair	2025-01-01
Christopher Michael Anthony Woodhead		2020-01-23
John Simkins		2024-06-01
Julia Carol Gray MacKenzie		2020-01-23
Justin Reny de Meo		2014-03-21
Laura Terrell		2026-05-04
Ms A Copley		2016-11-08
OMAR BUCCHIONI		2013-10-15
THE HONOURABLE LETITIA BLAKE		
Tom Carver		2025-06-01

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Accounts

MONTE SAN MARTINO TRUST
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UNAUDITED
TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For The Year Ended 31 December 2024

Fletcher & Partners
Chartered Accountants
Salisbury

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**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE TRUST, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

Trustees

Sir Nicholas Young, Chairman (resigned 1 January 2025)
Professor Philip Cooke, Chairman (appointed 1 January 2025)
Ms Anne Bewicke-Copley
Hon. Letitia Blake, Secretary
Mr Omar Bucchioni
Ms Nermina Delic
Ms Christine English
Mr Ian Laing (resigned 11 February 2025)
Ms Julia C G MacKenzie
Mr Justin de Meo
Mr Christopher Prentice (resigned 11 February 2025)
Mr Christopher Woodhead, Treasurer
Mr John Simkins

Company registered number

05604293

Charity registered number

1113897

Registered office

Crown Chambers, Bridge Street, Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP1 2LZ

Correspondence address

Hon. Letitia Blake, info@msmtrust.org.uk

Company secretary

Hon. Letitia Blake

Senior management team

Mr David Kettle, Administrator

Accountants

Fletcher & Partners, Crown Chambers, Bridge Street, Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP1 2LZ

Bankers

CAF Bank Ltd, 25 Kings Hill Avenue, West Malling, Kent, ME19 4JL

Portfolio Manager

CCLA, Investment Management Limited, PO Box 12892, Dunmow, Essex, CM6 9DL

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TRUSTEES' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of the Trust for the 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024. The Annual report serves the purposes of both a Trustees' report and a directors' report under company law. The Trustees confirm that the Annual report and financial statements of the charitable company comply with the current statutory requirements, the requirements of the charitable company's governing document and the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2019).

Since the Trust qualifies as small under section 382 of the Companies Act 2006, the Strategic report required of medium and large companies under the Companies Act 2006 (Strategic Report and Directors' Report) Regulations 2013 has been omitted.

Objectives and activities

a. Policies and objectives

The Trust was founded in 1989 as a small, but lasting, tribute to the Italian people, especially those living in the countryside. Their courage and generosity helped thousands of Allied prisoners of war escape from their prison camps after the Armistice was signed with the Allies in 1943. Despite their poverty, risks of being shot and of their houses being burnt down by German soldiers, these Italians provided food, shelter and clothing to the escapee soldiers.

In recognition of, and gratitude for, all the sacrifices made by these Italian families, the Trust was established by the late Keith Killby and a number of other Second World War veterans to grant bursaries in Britain to young Italians, often direct descendants of, or connected with, those Italians who gave such help. They mainly come from the Emilia-Romagna, Tuscany, Abruzzi and Marche areas as these were the main areas where the prison camps were located. Each bursary typically covers four weeks study at language school and board and accommodation. The cost to the Charity is approximately £2,350 per student. In recognition of his services to Anglo-Italian relations through the Monte San Martino Trust, Keith Killby was awarded an OBE in 2001 and also subsequently honoured by the Italian President by being made a Cavaliere Ufficiale.

In June 2013, the Trustees decided to broaden the purposes of the Charity to include the education of the public about the experience of Allied prisoners of war in Italy and the bravery of those who helped them. The Trustees are empowered to commemorate all this in whatever way they think fit. This widening of the objects of the Charity was "codified" by a special resolution, passed on 24th June 2013.

This broadening of the purposes of the Charity reinforces the ultimate aim of the Trust, which is to ensure we never forget the experiences of the Allied prisoners of war and the sacrifices and risks taken by so many Italians for the Allied soldiers, which have never been adequately recognised at an official level; the object is also to keep alive a memory of true courage and humanity, by which our and future generations can be inspired.

If you wish to make a donation, or require any further information, please send an email for the attention of Miss Letitia Blake at info@msmstrust.org.uk or visit the Trust's website at msmstrust.org.uk.

In setting objectives and planning for activities, the Trustees have given due consideration to general guidance published by the Charity Commission relating to public benefit, including the guidance 'Public benefit: running a charity (PB2)'.

b. Main activities undertaken to further the Trust's purposes for the public benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers or duties. As students are provided with bursaries by the charity they can benefit irrespective of their own financial resources.

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Achievements and performance

a. Review of activities

Strategy

The implementation of the strategic priorities identified in the 2022 five year plan continued to make good progress during 2024. These strategic aims included Research into the Allied presence in wartime Italy, improved communication with our stakeholders and enhancing our visibility in Italy all were seen to gain traction.

Research

NARA

The Trust continues to liaise with NARA.

Cambridge

Towards the latter end of the year Cambridge has appointed Ruth Murphy as our researcher and will be starting her research (funded by MSMT) as early as possible in 2025. Under the guidance of Robert Gordon (Professor of Italian Studies at Cambridge University) her research project will look at the assistance given to escapees by the Italians helpers.

Parri

The Parri project focuses on advancing historical research and public engagement through a digital portal, with a particular emphasis on two areas: WWII helpers who aided escaped prisoners of war (POWs) and the expansion of escape stories. The project will catalogue these helpers, digitise archival records, and create a "benemeriti" database, detailing their actions, the POWs they assisted, and the consequences they faced.

Students

Our main focus is and still remains that of awarding student bursaries. In 2024, 46 bursaries were offered and 40 students came. 33 went to Wimbledon and 7 to Oxford.

Wimbledon gave us very positive feedback on MSMT students. The students give "very good" or "good" for their feedback re school and contact with us.

Several of the trustees had the chance to meet with the students at the Picnic in the park; which has now become an annual event.

Activity in Italy

Thanks to our generous Trustee Ian Laing and a new partnership with the British Institute in Florence no less than 5 bursaries from Florence, include a special bursary named in honour of dear departed former Trustee Vanni Treves who ran our stupendously successful £1 million Appeal.

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Achievements and performance (continued)

New Chairman

Nick Young is stepping down as chairman at the end of 2024. Nick Young has put in an enormous effort during the 20 years that he has been chairman, and leaves the Trust in very good shape to meet its strategic aims. Under his guidance the trust has expanded its work and is left in the safe hands of the generous and hard-working fellow trustees and friends.

The nomination committee with the help of Trustees Unlimited has appointed a new chairman, Professor Philip Cooke, who will take up the position on January 1st 2025. The Trust looks forward to welcoming him.

Events

Trustee Anne Copley's new book *Girl with a Peach*, about those PoWs who were not officers, their camps and the Italians who helped them, was published by the Trust.

Courtesy of the Lord Mayor Michael Mainelli and Hugo de Burgh an event at the Mansion House to celebrate the Trust and to launch his novel *To the River*, based on the Italian story – which was organised by David Kettle and sponsored by Ian Laing.

The new website was launched and with it the electronic version of the newsletter.

b. Investment policy and performance

Portfolio value as of 31/12/24 was £3,002,854 (£2,961,211 31/12/23). Dividends year to date amount to some £82,541 out of this amount £21,540 was transferred directly into investments, this occurred when we moved our funds from Rathbones to CCLA. This has now been successfully accomplished. The fund on date of transfer was valued at £3,003,785.

In addition to the dividends received from the fund we also had to transfer the sum of £50,000 to cover the expenses in the Summer.

The net assets of the Trust stand at £3,013,525 with Investments at CCLA of £3,002,854 cash at bank of £32,340 and debtors and accrued income of £132, less liabilities due of £21,801.

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Financial review

a. Going concern

After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Trust has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the accounting policies.

b. Reserves policy

Because they anticipate that fundraising will become increasingly difficult as the events of 1943 to 1945 become more distant, the Trustees' policy is to hold enough investments in the (expendable) Endowment Fund to generate a return sufficient to cover the Charity's running costs; and to retain a sufficient sum in the General Reserve to enable the charity to continue to operate, which is considered to be three months' expenditure. At the end of the year the General Reserve was below this level. The market value of the Endowment Fund as at 31 December 2024 was £3,002,854 (2023 £2,961,211).

c. Financial Review

The Trust's total income for the year was £121,089 (2023 £88,210) including investment income of £82,541 and Donations of £37,741. Expenditure was £185,147 (2023 £138,105) of which the costs relating to bursaries to Italian students were £94,923 (2023 £75,985). The investment portfolio had unrealised losses of £22,477 (2023 gain of £68,175) and realised gain of £98,737 (2023 losses of £604).

Banking: We are now operating the CAF bank account for almost all our needs but retain a small balance in the Bank of Ireland.

Legacy: The Marus Trust very generously contributed £25,000 to the Trust during the Summer.

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

Structure, governance and management

a. Constitution

Monte San Martino Trust is registered as a charitable company limited by guarantee and was set up by a Memorandum of Association.

The Trust is constituted under a Memorandum of Association dated 26 October 2005, amended 12 October 2020, and is a registered charity number (1113897) in England and Wales. Prior to incorporation of the Charity, it was constituted by a Deed of Trust dated 18th September 1989, as amended on 15th April 1993 and bore the same name, Monte San Martino Trust. The then Trustees were advised to incorporate the Charity in order to mitigate the increasing risks faced by Trustees. The charity registered as a charitable company in England and Wales with the registered number 05604293.

b. Methods of appointment or election of Trustees

The management of the Trust is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Trust deed.

The company (hereinafter referred to as the Trust or Charity) is operated by its Trustees who meet periodically. New Trustees are recruited from among people who have an interest in furthering the aims of the Charity with a view to ensuring that all the necessary competencies are represented within the trustee body.

c. Organisational structure and decision-making policies

The Trustees discuss and make any necessary decisions during the period for the achievement of the charity's objectives, and the promotion of its work both in the UK and Italy.

d. Financial risk management

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the Trust is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the Trust, and are satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

a. The performance of investments. Risks are mitigated by retaining expert investment managers and maintaining a diversified investment portfolio. The Trustees and Rathbones continue to maintain a careful approach to investments with the aim to achieve long-term capital growth.

b. Safeguarding the students. The Trustees have in place a formal safeguarding policy. The students have to be at least 18 years of age when they come to the UK and any further risks are mitigated by having a selection of Meeters well-known to the officers of the Trust, who will report any misgivings to the Trustees and to whom the students can turn to if they have any misgivings. The two schools the students attend are both respectable and have pastoral care policies in place. The Trust maintains a public liability insurance policy which covers any possible claims by students as a result of their participation in the bursary programme.

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Plans for future periods

The Trustees expect to continue to offer between 30 and 40 bursaries per year to Italian students.

Although there is no sign of diminishing interest in the work of the Trust the Trustees are aware that as the events of 1943 become more remote then memories will fade. The Trustees are therefore looking at ways to provide a lasting legacy. This includes discussion of a permanent memorial stone at Eden Camp in Yorkshire, work digitizing the archive held at NARA in Washington and with Cambridge University.

Major budgeted expenditure includes £35,000 for Parri and £65,000 for Cambridge. And looking at the budget we will be looking to raise over £100,000 from the investment fund to cover activities during the year in addition to the forecast income.

Funds held as custodian

The Charity did not hold any assets as a custodian.

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees (who are also the directors of the Trust for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial . Under company law, the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Trust and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, 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 of the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards (FRS 102) have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Trust will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Trust's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Trust and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Trust and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Professor Philip Cooke

Date: 22 September 2025

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Monte San Martino Trust ('the Trust')

I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the Trustees of the Trust (and its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Trust are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent Examiner's Statement

Since the Trust's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

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.

This report is made solely to the Trust's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Trust'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 Trust and the Trust's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

Signed:

Dr J Fletcher

Dated: 23 September 2025

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Endowment funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	3	32,741	5,000	-	37,741	6,588
Other trading activities	4	807	-	-	807	196
Investments	5	82,541	-	-	82,541	81,426
Total income and endowments		116,089	5,000	-	121,089	88,210
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds:	6					
Investment management fees		-	-	6,137	6,137	6,909
Charitable activities	7	173,990	5,000	20	179,010	131,196
Total expenditure		173,990	5,000	6,157	185,147	138,105
Net expenditure before net gains on investments		(57,901)	-	(6,157)	(64,058)	(49,895)
Net gains on investments		-	-	76,260	76,260	67,571
Net (expenditure)/income		(57,901)	-	70,103	12,202	17,676
Transfers between funds	15	28,460	-	(28,460)	-	-
Net movement in funds		(29,441)	-	41,643	12,202	17,676
Reconciliation of funds:						
Total funds brought forward		40,112	-	2,961,211	3,001,323	2,983,647
Net movement in funds		(29,441)	-	41,643	12,202	17,676
Total funds carried forward		10,671	-	3,002,854	3,013,525	3,001,323

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

The notes on pages 11 to 23 form part of these financial statements.

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REGISTERED NUMBER: 05604293

BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
Fixed assets			
Investments	11	3,002,854	2,961,211
		3,002,854	2,961,211
Current assets			
Debtors	12	132	369
Cash at bank and in hand		32,340	42,251
		32,472	42,620
Current liabilities			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	13	(21,801)	(2,508)
		10,671	40,112
Net current assets		10,671	40,112
Total net assets		3,013,525	3,001,323
Charity funds			
Endowment funds	15	3,002,854	2,961,211
Unrestricted funds	15	10,671	40,112
		3,013,525	3,001,323
Total funds		3,013,525	3,001,323

The Trust was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of Companies Act 2006.

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and preparation of financial statements.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to entities subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Professor Philip Cooke

Date: 22 September 2025

The notes on pages 11 to 23 form part of these financial statements.

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

1. General information

Monte San Martino Trust is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated in England and Wales with the registered number 05604293, charity registered number 1113897. Its registered office is Crown Chambers, Bridge Street, Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP1 2LZ. In the event of the Trust being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £10 per member of the Trust. The members of the company are the Trustees named on page 1.

2. Accounting policies

2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006. 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 (FRS102) rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

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

2.2 Going concern

After making appropriate enquiries the Trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the Trust's ability to continue as a going concern.

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2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.3 Income

All income is recognised once the Trust has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

The recognition of income from legacies is dependent on establishing entitlement, the probability of receipt and the ability to estimate with sufficient accuracy the amount receivable. Evidence of entitlement to a legacy exists when the Trust has sufficient evidence that a gift has been left to them (through knowledge of the existence of a valid will and the death of the benefactor) and the executor is satisfied that the property in question will not be required to satisfy claims in the estate. Receipt of a legacy must be recognised when it is probable that it will be received and the fair value of the amount receivable, which will generally be the expected cash amount to be distributed to the Trust, can be reliably measured.

Grants are included in the Statement of financial activities on a receivable basis. The balance of income received for specific purposes but not expended during the period is shown in the relevant funds on the Balance sheet. Where income is received in advance of entitlement of receipt, its recognition is deferred and included in creditors as deferred income. Where entitlement occurs before income is received, the income is accrued.

Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Income tax recoverable in relation to investment income is recognised at the time the investment income is receivable.

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2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.4 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

Expenditure on raising funds includes all expenditure incurred by the Trust to raise funds for its charitable purposes and includes costs of all fundraising activities events and non-charitable trading.

Expenditure on charitable activities is incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the Trust's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

Grants payable are charged in the year when the offer is made except in those cases where the offer is conditional, such grants being recognised as expenditure when the conditions attaching are fulfilled. Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end are noted as a commitment, but not accrued as expenditure.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

2.5 Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the Trust; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the institution with whom the funds are deposited.

2.6 Investments

Fixed asset investments are a form of financial instrument and are initially recognised at their transaction cost and subsequently measured at fair value at the Balance sheet date, unless the value cannot be measured reliably in which case it is measured at cost less impairment. Investment gains and losses, whether realised or unrealised, are combined and presented as 'Gains/(Losses) on investments' in the Statement of financial activities.

2.7 Debtors

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

2.8 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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2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.9 Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the Trust anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation. Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised in the Statement of financial activities as a finance cost.

2.10 Financial instruments

The Trust only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are recognised at transaction value, except for investments which are measured at market value (fair value) as per the investment managers' portfolio, with changes recognised in the Statement of financial activities.

2.11 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Trust and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the Trust for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Investment income, gains and losses are allocated to the appropriate fund.

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3. Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £
Donations	6,741	5,000	11,741
Donations from trusts	1,000	-	1,000
Legacies	25,000	-	25,000
	<u>32,741</u>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>37,741</u>

	<i>Unrestricted funds 2023 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2023 £</i>
Donations	5,588	5,588
Donations from trusts	1,000	1,000
	<u>6,588</u>	<u>6,588</u>

4. Income from other trading activities

Income from fundraising events

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	<i>Total funds 2023 £</i>
Sale of books	807	807	196
	<u>807</u>	<u>807</u>	<u>196</u>

5. Investment income

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £
Income from local listed investments	82,487	82,487
Investment income - local cash	54	54
	<u>82,541</u>	<u>82,541</u>

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5. Investment income (continued)

	<i>Unrestricted funds 2023 £</i>	<i>Endowment funds 2023 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2023 £</i>
Income from local listed investments	80,801	-	80,801
Investment income - foreign listed investments	-	592	592
Investment income - local cash	33	-	33
	<u>80,834</u>	<u>592</u>	<u>81,426</u>

6. Investment management costs

	<i>Endowment funds 2024 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2024 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2023 £</i>
Investment management fees	6,137	6,137	6,909

7. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

Summary by fund type

	<i>Unrestricted funds 2024 £</i>	<i>Restricted funds 2024 £</i>	<i>Endowment funds 2024 £</i>	<i>Total 2024 £</i>
Student bursaries	89,923	5,000	-	94,923
Student support costs	700	-	-	700
Digitalisation of archives	3,576	-	-	3,576
Support costs	46,042	-	20	46,062
Professional fees	12,000	-	-	12,000
Parri Institute	17,241	-	-	17,241
ELMS	3,000	-	-	3,000
Cambridge Archive	1,508	-	-	1,508
Total 2024	<u>173,990</u>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>179,010</u>

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7. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities (continued)

Summary by fund type (continued)

The professional costs in 2024 funded the search and recruitment of the new chairman. 2024 saw a rise in the number of bursaries compared to 2023. These bursaries are for English language courses and are a way of promoting the memory of the Italians that helped escaped prisoners during World War 11 and they remain the core purpose of the Trust.

The restricted expenditure in the year is for Florence students. The remaining expenditure in 2024 was met from general funds.

	<i>Unrestricted funds 2023 £</i>	<i>Total 2023 £</i>
Student bursaries	75,985	75,985
Student support costs	3,986	3,986
Digitalisation of archives	400	400
Support costs	39,075	39,075
Servigliano Visit	4,750	4,750
Eden Camp Memorial Stone	7,000	7,000
	131,196	131,196

8. Independent examiner's remuneration

The independent examiner's remuneration amounts to an independent examiner fee of £500 (2023 - £475), and accountancy of £2,060 (2023 - £2,033).

9. Staff costs

The average employee headcount during the year was nil (2023 nil).

No employee received remuneration amounting to more than £60,000 in either year.

The Trust considers its key management personnel comprise the trustees. The total employment benefits of the key management personnel was £NIL (2023 £NIL). The total fees paid to the key management personnel was £NIL (2023 £NIL).

10. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits (2023 - £NIL).

During the year ended 31 December 2024, travel expenses totalling £219 were reimbursed or paid directly to one Trustee (2023 - £NIL).

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11. Fixed asset investments

	Listed investments £	Cash held in portfolio £	Total £
Cost or valuation			
At 1 January 2024	2,961,144	67	2,961,211
Additions	3,025,331	-	3,025,331
Disposals	(3,059,880)	(67)	(3,059,947)
Revaluations	76,259	-	76,259
	<u>3,002,854</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,002,854</u>
At 31 December 2024	<u>3,002,854</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,002,854</u>
Net book value			
At 31 December 2024	<u>3,002,854</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,002,854</u>
At 31 December 2023	<u>2,961,144</u>	<u>67</u>	<u>2,961,211</u>

Investments at market value comprise:

Listed investments of £3,002,854 (2023 £2,961,144) now held at CCLA (funds held at Rathbone in 2023).
Cash held of £nil (2023 £67).

12. Debtors

	2024 £	2023 £
Due within one year		
Other debtors	132	308
Prepayments and accrued income	-	61
	<u>132</u>	<u>369</u>

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13. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2024 £	2023 £
Other creditors	19,151	-
Accruals and deferred income	2,650	2,508
	21,801	2,508
	21,801	2,508

14. Financial instruments

	2024 £	2023 £
Financial assets		
Financial assets measured at fair value through income and expenditure	3,002,854	2,961,211
	3,002,854	2,961,211

Financial assets measured at fair value through income and expenditure comprise investments held in a portfolio with CCLA.

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15. Statement of funds

Statement of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 January 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 December 2024 £
Unrestricted funds						
General Funds	40,112	116,089	(173,990)	28,460	-	10,671
Endowment funds						
Revaluation reserve	(119,494)	-	-	119,494	(22,477)	(22,477)
Expendable reserves	3,080,705	-	(6,157)	(147,954)	98,737	3,025,331
	<u>2,961,211</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(6,157)</u>	<u>(28,460)</u>	<u>76,260</u>	<u>3,002,854</u>
Restricted funds						
Florence Students	-	5,000	(5,000)	-	-	-
Total of funds	<u><u>3,001,323</u></u>	<u><u>121,089</u></u>	<u><u>(185,147)</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>76,260</u></u>	<u><u>3,013,525</u></u>

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15. Statement of funds (continued)

Statement of funds - prior year

	<i>Balance at 1 January 2023 £</i>	<i>Income £</i>	<i>Expenditure £</i>	<i>Gains/ (Losses) £</i>	<i>Balance at 31 December 2023 £</i>
Unrestricted funds					
General Funds	83,690	87,618	(131,196)	-	40,112
Endowment funds					
Revaluation reserve	(187,669)	-	-	68,175	(119,494)
Expendable reserves	3,087,626	592	(6,909)	(604)	3,080,705
	<u>2,899,957</u>	<u>592</u>	<u>(6,909)</u>	<u>67,571</u>	<u>2,961,211</u>
Total of funds	<u><u>2,983,647</u></u>	<u><u>88,210</u></u>	<u><u>(138,105)</u></u>	<u><u>67,571</u></u>	<u><u>3,001,323</u></u>

16. Summary of funds

Summary of funds - current year

	<i>Balance at 1 January 2024 £</i>	<i>Income £</i>	<i>Expenditure £</i>	<i>Transfers in/out £</i>	<i>Gains/ (Losses) £</i>	<i>Balance at 31 December 2024 £</i>
General funds	40,112	116,089	(173,990)	28,460	-	10,671
Endowment funds	2,961,211	-	(6,157)	(28,460)	76,260	3,002,854
Restricted funds	-	5,000	(5,000)	-	-	-
	<u>3,001,323</u>	<u>121,089</u>	<u>(185,147)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>76,260</u>	<u>3,013,525</u>

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16. Summary of funds (continued)

Summary of funds - prior year

	<i>Balance at 1 January 2023 £</i>	<i>Income £</i>	<i>Expenditure £</i>	<i>Gains/ (Losses) £</i>	<i>Balance at 31 December 2023 £</i>
General funds	83,690	87,618	(131,196)	-	40,112
Endowment funds	2,899,957	592	(6,909)	67,571	2,961,211
	<u>2,983,647</u>	<u>88,210</u>	<u>(138,105)</u>	<u>67,571</u>	<u>3,001,323</u>

17. Analysis of net assets between funds

Analysis of net assets between funds - current period

	<i>Unrestricted funds 2024 £</i>	<i>Endowment funds 2024 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2024 £</i>
Fixed asset investments	-	3,002,854	3,002,854
Current assets	32,472	-	32,472
Creditors due within one year	(21,801)	-	(21,801)
Total	<u>10,671</u>	<u>3,002,854</u>	<u>3,013,525</u>

Analysis of net assets between funds - prior period

	<i>Unrestricted funds 2023 £</i>	<i>Endowment funds 2023 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2023 £</i>
Fixed asset investments	-	2,961,211	2,961,211
Current assets	42,620	-	42,620
Creditors due within one year	(2,508)	-	(2,508)
Total	<u>40,112</u>	<u>2,961,211</u>	<u>3,001,323</u>

18. Indemnity insurance

The Trust holds third party indemnity insurance to protect the Trustees and volunteers.

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19. Volunteers

In 2024 and 2023 Monte San Martino Trust did not utilise any volunteers during these years to meet and greet the students. In future the students will be given travel instructions and the telephone number of a volunteer in case they have problems.

20. Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions during the year.

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England & Wales - Charity number 1113897

Accounts

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UNAUDITED
TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For The Year Ended 31 December 2023

Fletcher & Partners
Chartered Accountants
Salisbury

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**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE TRUST, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

Trustees

Sir Nicholas Young, Chairman
Ms Anne Bewicke-Copley
Hon. Letitia Blake, Secretary
Mr Omar Bucchioni
Ms Nermina Delic
Ms Christine English
Mr Ian Laing
Ms Julia C G MacKenzie
Mr Justin de Meo
Mr Christopher Prentice
Mr Christopher Woodhead, Treasurer
Mr John Simkins (appointed 1 April 2023)

Company registered number

05604293

Charity registered number

1113897

Registered office

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Correspondence address

Hon. Letitia Blake, info@msmtrust.org.uk

Company secretary

Hon. Letitia Blake

Senior management team

Mr David Kettle, Administrator

Accountants

Fletcher & Partners, Crown Chambers, Bridge Street, Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP1 2LZ

Bankers

Bank of Ireland, PO Box 2124, Belfast, BT1 9RS

Portfolio Manager

Rathbone Investment Management, 8 Finsbury Circus, London, EC2M 7AZ

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TRUSTEES' REPORT
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The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of the Trust for the 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023. The Annual report serves the purposes of both a Trustees' report and a directors' report under company law. The Trustees confirm that the Annual report and financial statements of the charitable company comply with the current statutory requirements, the requirements of the charitable company's governing document and the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2019).

Since the Trust qualifies as small under section 382 of the Companies Act 2006, the Strategic report required of medium and large companies under the Companies Act 2006 (Strategic Report and Directors' Report) Regulations 2013 has been omitted.

Objectives and activities

a. Policies and objectives

The Trust was founded in 1989 as a small, but lasting, tribute to the Italian people, especially those living in the countryside. Their courage and generosity helped thousands of Allied prisoners of war escape from their prison camps after the Armistice was signed with the Allies in 1943. Despite their poverty, risks of being shot and of their houses being burnt down by German soldiers, these Italians provided food, shelter and clothing to the escapee soldiers.

In recognition of, and gratitude for, all the sacrifices made by these Italian families, the Trust was established by the late Keith Killby and a number of other Second World War veterans to grant bursaries in Britain to young Italians, often direct descendants of, or connected with, those Italians who gave such help. They mainly come from the Emilia-Romagna, Tuscany, Abruzzi and Marche areas as these were the main areas where the prison camps were located. Each bursary typically covers four weeks study at language school and board and accommodation. The cost to the Charity is approximately £2,350 per student. In recognition of his services to Anglo-Italian relations through the Monte San Martino Trust, Keith Killby was awarded an OBE in 2001 and has also subsequently been honoured by the Italian President by being made a Cavaliere Ufficiale.

In June 2013, the Trustees decided to broaden the purposes of the Charity to include the education of the public about the experience of Allied prisoners of war in Italy and the bravery of those who helped them. The Trustees are empowered to commemorate all this in whatever way they think fit. This widening of the objects of the Charity was "codified" by a special resolution, passed on 24th June 2013.

This broadening of the purposes of the Charity reinforces the ultimate aim of the Trust, which is to ensure we never forget the experiences of the Allied prisoners of war and the sacrifices and risks taken by so many Italians for the Allied soldiers, which have never been adequately recognised at an official level; the object is also to keep alive a memory of true courage and humanity, by which our and future generations can be inspired.

If you wish to make a donation, or require any further information, please send an email for the attention of Miss Letitia Blake at info@msmstrust.org.uk or visit the Trust's website at msmtrust.org.uk.

In setting objectives and planning for activities, the Trustees have given due consideration to general guidance published by the Charity Commission relating to public benefit, including the guidance 'Public benefit: running a charity (PB2)'.

b. Main activities undertaken to further the Trust's purposes for the public benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers or duties. As students are provided with bursaries by the charity they can benefit irrespective of their own financial resources.

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Achievements and performance

a. Review of activities

Strategy

The implementation of the strategic priorities identified in the 2022 five year plan made good headway in 2023. Research into the Allied presence in wartime Italy, improved communication with our stakeholders and enhancing our visibility in Italy all were seen to gain traction.

Armistice 80

Celebrating the 80th anniversary of the Italian Armistice at our founder Keith Killby's PG 59 prison camp at Servigliano in Le Marche was one of the most exciting and moving events the Trust has ever mounted. Somehow, the fact that, on the 75th anniversary at Fontanellato in 2018, we had to announce Keith's death, added to the significance of the occasion. Our brilliant organisers Nermina Delic (herself a former bursary student) and Anne Copley arranged the most wonderful weekend, with tours of the prison camp (now being redeveloped as a national monument), the unveiling of a plaque by the British Ambassador, numerous fascinating lectures and outings – and endless delicious, long and noisy Italian meals.

Our partners Casa della Memoria of Servigliano and the Milan-based Parri Institute played a full part, and it was great to welcome a large contingent of American PG 59 families, led by our old friend Dennis Hill, of the Camp 59 Survivors website.

Archive

We have at last been able to clear our Hon. Sec. Letitia Blake's garage, by sending our archive of original escape stories to be housed in the Cambridge University Library, where they will be accessible to historians and other researchers. The Chairman now has Keith's old files which I will in due course be sorting through in order to write a short history of the Trust – and Letitia and the Chairman are now working our way slowly through the rest of Keith's papers and memorabilia (including his old Army boots, size 13!) and disposing of them appropriately.

Legacy

The memorial stone commissioned as a joint venture with ELMS was unveiled on a cold April day at the Eden Camp Memorial Museum. Several trustees were present as was the Italian military attache and several students. The rock was unveiled to much pomp and ceremony.

Research

Our research arrangement with Cambridge includes a grant to enable the University Italian Department to employ a post-graduate researcher to undertake a piece of academic research into some aspect (to be agreed) of the assistance given by Italian helpers – also using the extraordinary material from the Allied Screening Commission archive which is now being digitised and made available online by the US National Archive. Again, there is an account of this elsewhere.

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Achievements and performance (continued)

We are starting a new partnership with the British Institute in Florence; our existing partners, the Parri Institute, are embarking on an exciting new piece of work which we are funding.

Students

We have had 39 students this year, most of them in July and August with 29 attending Wimbledon and 10 attending Oxford. This was out of a record total of 46 bursaries that were offered. A small number pulled out and 3 deferred until 2024. We have also engaged several new student volunteers from our supporters for 2023. Our student feedback forms are generally excellent. Several of the trustees had the chance to meet with the students at the Picnic in the park; something which is sure to become an annual event.

IT and Technology

Our website is being overhauled by David Kettle, our administrator, and our IT guru George Mitchell.

New Chairman

The Chairman has announced that he will be stepping down at the end of 2024 after 20 years in the role. He does so at a time when the Trust is in such good heart, is doing so much great work and is in the safe hands of the extraordinarily generous and hard-working fellow trustees and friends. The process to find a replacement has been started with the creation of a nomination committee made up of 4 of the Trustees.

b. Investment policy and performance

Portfolio value as of 31/12/2023 is £2,961,211 (£2,899,957 31/12/22). Dividends in the year amounted to £80,812. The fund has been below M£3 since the invasion of Ukraine however as of February 2024 the fund once again climbed back over and as of 29/02/24 was worth £3,040,544. We are yet to exceed our peak of £3,290,950 at the end of 2021.

Our portfolio with Rathbones has not performed particularly well against benchmarks with total return of 5% underperforming the Charity Total Return Strategy Benchmark by 4.4% (benchmark 9.4%) We were also well down against our other target of CPI +3% ie 7%.

The net assets of the Trust stand at £3,001,323 with Investments at Rathbones of £2,961,211 cash at bank of £42,251 and debtors and accrued income of £369, less liabilities due of £2,508.

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Financial review

a. Going concern

After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Trust has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the accounting policies.

b. Reserves policy

Because they anticipate that fundraising will become increasingly difficult as the events of 1943 to 1945 become more distant, the Trustees' policy is to hold enough investments in the (expendable) Endowment Fund to generate a return sufficient to cover the Charity's running costs; and to retain a sufficient sum in the General Reserve to enable the charity to continue to operate, which is considered to be three months' expenditure. At the end of the previous year the General Reserve was above this level. The market value of the Endowment Fund as at 31 December 2023 was £2,961,211 (2022 £2,899,957).

c. Financial Review

The Trust's total income for the year was £88,210 (2022 £102,130) including investment income of £81,426 and Donations of £6,588. Expenditure was £138,105 (2022 £110,285) of which the costs relating to bursaries to Italian students were £75,985 (2022 £60,887). The investment portfolio had unrealised gains and losses totaling a gain of £68,175 (2022 loss of £187,669) and realised losses of £604 (2022 losses of 181,362).

Outgoings: We have paid for all our 2023 students this year out of the current account amounting to some £73,680. Other big expenditure included £5,000 for the Eden Camp Rock. We have managed this because our current account was very healthy at the beginning of the year because of the small number of students coming during the Covid and post Covid years

Banking: We have successfully opened and started using our new CAF account. The benefits of this include being able to look at our balance online.

We have also opened a Paypal account this year. The initial impetus for this came from US visitors to Servigliano who wanted an online payment facility they were more used to. What Paypal provides in addition to the ability to receive payments is a way to charge for subscriptions or other regular payments.

Donations seemed to have dried up somewhat. Apart the Moynitrust there has been little in the way of donations coming through. However we recently heard news that a long term supporter of the Trust has left 1/8th of her estate to the Trust in her will. At present her executors are still awaiting probate so we have no clear idea of what this immensely generous bequest might mean for us.

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Structure, governance and management

a. Constitution

Monte San Martino Trust is registered as a charitable company limited by guarantee and was set up by a Memorandum of Association.

The Trust is constituted under a Memorandum of Association dated 26 October 2005, amended 12 October 2020, and is a registered charity number (1113897) in England and Wales. Prior to incorporation of the Charity, it was constituted by a Deed of Trust dated 18th September 1989, as amended on 15th April 1993 and bore the same name, Monte San Martino Trust. The then Trustees were advised to incorporate the Charity in order to mitigate the increasing risks faced by Trustees. The charity registered as a charitable company in England and Wales with the registered number 05604293.

b. Methods of appointment or election of Trustees

The management of the Trust is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Trust deed.

The company (hereinafter referred to as the Trust or Charity) is operated by its Trustees who meet periodically. New Trustees are recruited from among people who have an interest in furthering the aims of the Charity with a view to ensuring that all the necessary competencies are represented within the trustee body.

c. Organisational structure and decision-making policies

The Trustees discuss and make any necessary decisions during the period for the achievement of the charity's objectives, and the promotion of its work both in the UK and Italy.

d. Financial risk management

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the Trust is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the Trust, and are satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

a. The performance of investments. Risks are mitigated by retaining expert investment managers and maintaining a diversified investment portfolio. The Trustees and Rathbones continue to maintain a careful approach to investments with the aim to achieve long-term capital growth.

b. Safeguarding the students. The Trustees have in place a formal safeguarding policy. The students have to be at least 18 years of age when they come to the UK and any further risks are mitigated by having a selection of Meeters well-known to the officers of the Trust, who will report any misgivings to the Trustees and to whom the students can turn to if they have any misgivings. The two schools the students attend are both respectable and have pastoral care policies in place. The Trust maintains a public liability insurance policy which covers any possible claims by students as a result of their participation in the bursary programme.

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Plans for future periods

The Trustees expect to continue to offer between 30 and 40 bursaries per year to Italian students.

Although there is no sign of diminishing interest in the work of the Trust the Trustees are aware that as the events of 1943 become more remote then memories will fade. The Trustees are therefore looking at ways to provide a lasting legacy. This includes discussion of a permanent memorial stone at Eden Camp in Yorkshire, work digitizing the archive held at NARA in Washington and with Cambridge University.

The Trust is also looking at ways to get regular donations from the supporters many of whom only engage with the Trust once a year at the lunch.

Funds held as custodian

The Charity did not hold any assets as a custodian.

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees (who are also the directors of the Trust for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial . Under company law, the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Trust and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, 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 of the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards (FRS 102) have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Trust will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Trust's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Trust and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Trust and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Sir Nicholas Young

Date: 5 August 2024

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Monte San Martino Trust ('the Trust')

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

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the Trustees of the Trust (and its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Trust are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the 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 in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

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.

This report is made solely to the Trust's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Trust'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 Trust and the Trust's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

Signed:

Dated: 23 August 2024

Dr J Fletcher

FCA

Fletcher & Partners
Chartered Accountants
Crown Chambers
Bridge Street
Salisbury
Wiltshire
SP1 2LZ

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Endowment funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £	Total funds 2022 £
Income and endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	3	6,588	-	6,588	42,616
Other trading activities	4	196	-	196	45
Investments	5	80,834	592	81,426	59,469
Total income and endowments		87,618	592	88,210	102,130
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds:					
Investment management fees	6	-	6,909	6,909	14,961
Charitable activities	7	131,196	-	131,196	95,324
Total expenditure		131,196	6,909	138,105	110,285
Net expenditure before net gains/(losses) on investments		(43,578)	(6,317)	(49,895)	(8,155)
Net gains/(losses) on investments		-	67,571	67,571	(369,031)
Net movement in funds		(43,578)	61,254	17,676	(377,186)
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		83,690	2,899,957	2,983,647	3,360,833
Net movement in funds		(43,578)	61,254	17,676	(377,186)
Total funds carried forward		40,112	2,961,211	3,001,323	2,983,647

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

The notes on pages 11 to 20 form part of these financial statements.

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REGISTERED NUMBER: 05604293

BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
Fixed assets			
Investments	11	2,961,211	2,899,957
		2,961,211	2,899,957
Current assets			
Debtors	12	369	1,144
Cash at bank and in hand		42,251	84,869
		42,620	86,013
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	13	(2,508)	(2,323)
		40,112	83,690
Net current assets		40,112	83,690
Total net assets		3,001,323	2,983,647
Charity funds			
Endowment funds	15	2,961,211	2,899,957
Unrestricted funds	15	40,112	83,690
Total funds		3,001,323	2,983,647

The Trust was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of Companies Act 2006.

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and preparation of financial statements.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to entities subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Sir Nicholas Young

Date: 5 August 2024

The notes on pages 11 to 20 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

1. General information

Monte San Martino Trust is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated in England and Wales with the registered number 05604293, charity registered number 1113897. Its registered office is Crown Chambers, Bridge Street, Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP1 2LZ. In the event of the Trust being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £10 per member of the Trust. The members of the company are the Trustees named on page 1.

2. Accounting policies

2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006. 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 (FRS102) rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

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

2.2 Going concern

After making appropriate enquiries the Trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the Trust's ability to continue as a going concern.

2.3 Income

All income is recognised once the Trust has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

The recognition of income from legacies is dependent on establishing entitlement, the probability of receipt and the ability to estimate with sufficient accuracy the amount receivable. Evidence of entitlement to a legacy exists when the Trust has sufficient evidence that a gift has been left to them (through knowledge of the existence of a valid will and the death of the benefactor) and the executor is satisfied that the property in question will not be required to satisfy claims in the estate. Receipt of a legacy must be recognised when it is probable that it will be received and the fair value of the amount receivable, which will generally be the expected cash amount to be distributed to the Trust, can be reliably measured.

Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Income tax recoverable in relation to investment income is recognised at the time the investment income is receivable.

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2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.4 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

Expenditure on raising funds includes all expenditure incurred by the Trust to raise funds for its charitable purposes and includes costs of all fundraising activities events and non-charitable trading.

Expenditure on charitable activities is incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the Trust's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

Grants payable are charged in the year when the offer is made except in those cases where the offer is conditional, such grants being recognised as expenditure when the conditions attaching are fulfilled. Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end are noted as a commitment, but not accrued as expenditure.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

2.5 Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the Trust; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the institution with whom the funds are deposited.

2.6 Investments

Fixed asset investments are a form of financial instrument and are initially recognised at their transaction cost and subsequently measured at fair value at the Balance sheet date, unless the value cannot be measured reliably in which case it is measured at cost less impairment. Investment gains and losses, whether realised or unrealised, are combined and presented as 'Gains/(Losses) on investments' in the Statement of financial activities.

2.7 Debtors

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

2.8 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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2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.9 Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the Trust anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation. Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised in the Statement of financial activities as a finance cost.

2.10 Financial instruments

The Trust only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are recognised at transaction value, except for investments which are measured at market value (fair value) as per the investment managers' portfolio, with changes recognised in the Statement of financial activities.

2.11 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Trust and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the Trust for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Investment income, gains and losses are allocated to the appropriate fund.

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3. Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £	<i>Total funds 2022 £</i>
Donations	6,588	6,588	35,035
Legacies	-	-	7,581
	<u>6,588</u>	<u>6,588</u>	<u>42,616</u>

4. Income from other trading activities

Income from fundraising events

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £	<i>Total funds 2022 £</i>
Sale of books	196	196	45
	<u>196</u>	<u>196</u>	<u>45</u>

5. Investment income

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Endowment funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £
Income from local listed investments	80,801	-	80,801
Investment income - foreign listed investments	-	592	592
Investment income - local cash	33	-	33
	<u>80,834</u>	<u>592</u>	<u>81,426</u>

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5. Investment income (continued)

	<i>Unrestricted funds 2022 £</i>	<i>Endowment funds 2022 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2022 £</i>
Income from local listed investments	52,511	-	52,511
Investment income - foreign listed investments	5,461	1,497	6,958
	<u>57,972</u>	<u>1,497</u>	<u>59,469</u>

6. Investment management costs

	<i>Endowment funds 2023 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2023 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2022 £</i>
Investment management fees	6,909	6,909	14,961
	<u>6,909</u>	<u>6,909</u>	<u>14,961</u>

7. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

Summary by fund type

	<i>Unrestricted funds 2023 £</i>	<i>Total 2023 £</i>	<i>Total 2022 £</i>
Student bursaries	75,985	75,985	60,887
Student support costs	3,986	3,986	8,807
Digitalisation of archives	400	400	1,025
Support costs	39,075	39,075	11,430
Grants to institutions	-	-	13,175
Servigliano Visit	4,750	4,750	-
Eden Camp Memorial Stone	7,000	7,000	-
Total 2023	<u>131,196</u>	<u>131,196</u>	<u>95,324</u>

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7. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities (continued)

Summary by fund type (continued)

2023 saw the number of bursaries back to pre-pandemic levels and the Trust welcomed 39 students. These bursaries are for English language courses and are a way of promoting the memory of the Italians that helped escaped prisoners during World War 11 and they remain the core purpose of the Trust. The rise in the number of students saw a commensurate rise in the support fees. £3,986 (2022 £8,807)

All expenditure in 2023 was met from general funds.

8. Independent examiner's remuneration

The independent examiner's remuneration amounts to an independent examiner fee of £475 (2022 - £450), and accountancy of £2,033 (2022 - £1,873).

9. Staff costs

The average employee headcount during the year was nil (2022 nil).

No employee received remuneration amounting to more than £60,000 in either year.

The Trust considers its key management personnel comprise the trustees. The total employment benefits of the key management personnel was £NIL (2022 £NIL). The total fees paid to the key management personnel was £NIL (2022 £NIL).

10. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits (2022 - £NIL).

During the year ended 31 December 2023, no Trustee expenses have been incurred (2022 - £NIL).

11. Fixed asset investments

	Listed investments £	Cash held in portfolio £	Total £
Cost or valuation			
At 1 January 2023	2,899,814	143	2,899,957
Additions	592	-	592
Disposals	(7,437)	(76)	(7,513)
Revaluations	68,175	-	68,175
	<u>2,961,144</u>	<u>67</u>	<u>2,961,211</u>
Net book value			
At 31 December 2023	<u>2,961,144</u>	<u>67</u>	<u>2,961,211</u>
At 31 December 2022	<u>2,899,814</u>	<u>143</u>	<u>2,899,957</u>

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11. Fixed asset investments (continued)

Investments at market value comprise:

Listed investments of £2,961,144 (2022 £2,899,814) all held in Rathbone units.

Cash held of £67 (2022 £143).

12. Debtors

	2023 £	2022 £
Due within one year		
Other debtors	308	343
Prepayments and accrued income	61	801
	369	1,144
	369	1,144

13. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2023 £	2022 £
Accruals and deferred income	2,508	2,323
	2,508	2,323
	2,508	2,323

14. Financial instruments

	2023 £	2022 £
Financial assets		
Financial assets measured at fair value through income and expenditure	2,961,211	2,899,957
	2,961,211	2,899,957
	2,961,211	2,899,957

Financial assets measured at fair value through income and expenditure comprise investments held in a portfolio including cash held in Rathbones capital account.

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15. Statement of funds

Statement of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 January 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 December 2023 £
Unrestricted funds					
General Funds	83,690	87,618	(131,196)	-	40,112
Endowment funds					
Revaluation reserve	(187,669)	-	-	68,175	(119,494)
Expendable reserves	3,087,626	592	(6,909)	(604)	3,080,705
	<u>2,899,957</u>	<u>592</u>	<u>(6,909)</u>	<u>67,571</u>	<u>2,961,211</u>
Total of funds	<u><u>2,983,647</u></u>	<u><u>88,210</u></u>	<u><u>(138,105)</u></u>	<u><u>67,571</u></u>	<u><u>3,001,323</u></u>

Statement of funds - prior year

	Balance at 1 January 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 December 2022 £
Unrestricted funds						
General Funds	78,381	100,633	(95,324)	-	-	83,690
Endowment funds						
Revaluation reserve	712,760	-	-	(712,760)	(187,669)	(187,669)
Expendable reserves	2,569,692	1,497	(14,961)	712,760	(181,362)	3,087,626
	<u>3,282,452</u>	<u>1,497</u>	<u>(14,961)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(369,031)</u>	<u>2,899,957</u>
Total of funds	<u><u>3,360,833</u></u>	<u><u>102,130</u></u>	<u><u>(110,285)</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>(369,031)</u></u>	<u><u>2,983,647</u></u>

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16. Summary of funds

Summary of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 January 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 December 2023 £
General funds	83,690	87,618	(131,196)	-	40,112
Endowment funds	2,899,957	592	(6,909)	67,571	2,961,211
	<u>2,983,647</u>	<u>88,210</u>	<u>(138,105)</u>	<u>67,571</u>	<u>3,001,323</u>

Summary of funds - prior year

	<i>Balance at 1 January 2022 £</i>	<i>Income £</i>	<i>Expenditure £</i>	<i>Transfers in/out £</i>	<i>Gains/ (Losses) £</i>	<i>Balance at 31 December 2022 £</i>
General funds	78,381	100,633	(95,324)	-	-	83,690
Endowment funds	3,282,452	1,497	(14,961)	-	(369,031)	2,899,957
	<u>3,360,833</u>	<u>102,130</u>	<u>(110,285)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(369,031)</u>	<u>2,983,647</u>

17. Analysis of net assets between funds

Analysis of net assets between funds - current year

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Endowment funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £
Fixed asset investments	-	2,961,211	2,961,211
Current assets	42,620	-	42,620
Creditors due within one year	(2,508)	-	(2,508)
Total	<u>40,112</u>	<u>2,961,211</u>	<u>3,001,323</u>

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17. Analysis of net assets between funds (continued)

Analysis of net assets between funds - prior year

	<i>Unrestricted funds 2022 £</i>	<i>Endowment funds 2022 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2022 £</i>
Fixed asset investments	-	2,899,957	2,899,957
Current assets	86,013	-	86,013
Creditors due within one year	(2,323)	-	(2,323)
Total	<u>83,690</u>	<u>2,899,957</u>	<u>2,983,647</u>

18. Indemnity insurance

The Trust holds third party indemnity insurance to protect the Trustees and volunteers.

19. Volunteers

In 2022 and 2023 Monte San Martino Trust did not utilise any volunteers during these years to meet and greet the students. In future the students will be given travel instructions and the telephone number of a volunteer in case they have problems.

20. Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions during the year.

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England & Wales - Charity number 1113897

Accounts

MONTE SAN MARTINO TRUST
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UNAUDITED
TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For The Year Ended 31 December 2022

Fletcher & Partners
Chartered Accountants
Salisbury

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**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE TRUST, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

Trustees

Sir Nicholas Young, Chairman
Ms Anne Bewicke-Copley
Hon. Letitia Blake, Secretary
Mr Omar Bucchioni
Ms Nermina Delic
Ms Christine English
Mr Ian Laing
Ms Julia C G MacKenzie
Mr Justin de Meo
Mr Christopher Prentice
Mr Christopher Woodhead, Treasurer

Company registered number

05604293

Charity registered number

1113897

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Company secretary

Hon. Letitia Blake

Senior management team

Mr John Simkins, Administrator

Accountants

Fletcher & Partners, Crown Chambers, Bridge Street, Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP1 2LZ

Bankers

Bank of Ireland, PO Box 2124, Belfast, BT1 9RS

Portfolio Manager

Rathbone Investment Management, 8 Finsbury Circus, London, EC2M 7AZ

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TRUSTEES' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of the Trust for the 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2022. The Annual report serves the purposes of both a Trustees' report and a directors' report under company law. The Trustees confirm that the Annual report and financial statements of the charitable company comply with the current statutory requirements, the requirements of the charitable company's governing document and the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2019).

Since the Trust qualifies as small under section 382 of the Companies Act 2006, the Strategic report required of medium and large companies under the Companies Act 2006 (Strategic Report and Directors' Report) Regulations 2013 has been omitted.

Objectives and activities

a. Policies and objectives

The Trust was founded in 1989 as a small, but lasting, tribute to the Italian people, especially those living in the countryside. Their courage and generosity helped thousands of Allied prisoners of war escape from their prison camps after the Armistice was signed with the Allies in 1943. Despite their poverty, risks of being shot and of their houses being burnt down by German soldiers, these Italians provided food, shelter and clothing to the escapee soldiers.

In recognition of, and gratitude for, all the sacrifices made by these Italian families, the Trust was established by the late Keith Killby and a number of other Second World War veterans to grant bursaries in Britain to young Italians, often direct descendants of, or connected with, those Italians who gave such help. They mainly come from the Emilia-Romagna, Tuscany, Abruzzi and Marche areas as these were the main areas where the prison camps were located. Each bursary typically covers four weeks study at language school and board and accommodation. The cost to the Charity is approximately £2,350 per student. In recognition of his services to Anglo-Italian relations through the Monte San Martino Trust, Keith Killby was awarded an OBE in 2001 and has also subsequently been honoured by the Italian President by being made a Cavaliere Ufficiale.

In June 2013, the Trustees decided to broaden the purposes of the Charity to include the education of the public about the experience of Allied prisoners of war in Italy and the bravery of those who helped them. The Trustees are empowered to commemorate all this in whatever way they think fit. This widening of the objects of the Charity was "codified" by a special resolution, passed on 24th June 2013.

This broadening of the purposes of the Charity reinforces the ultimate aim of the Trust, which is to ensure we never forget the experiences of the Allied prisoners of war and the sacrifices and risks taken by so many Italians for the Allied soldiers, which have never been adequately recognised at an official level; the object is also to keep alive a memory of true courage and humanity, by which our and future generations can be inspired.

If you wish to make a donation, or require any further information, please send an email for the attention of Miss Letitia Blake at info@msmstrust.org.uk or visit the Trust's website at msmstrust.org.uk.

In setting objectives and planning for activities, the Trustees have given due consideration to general guidance published by the Charity Commission relating to public benefit, including the guidance 'Public benefit: running a charity (PB2)'.

b. Main activities undertaken to further the Trust's purposes for the public benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers or duties. As students are provided with bursaries by the charity they can benefit irrespective of their own financial resources.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)
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Achievements and performance

a. Review of activities

Much of 2022 was spent in preparation for the celebrations and activities which will mark the 80th anniversary of the Armistice in Italy. In addition to our main work of providing bursaries, 2022 saw the Trust continuing to drive towards our 4 areas identified as our strategic goals. These are: to increase focus on research, improve our communication with all stakeholders, increase our presence in Italy and invest substantial sums in these areas to provide a lasting memorial.

Students: The Trust hosted 34 students with 8 choosing to study in Oxford and 26 in London. The intake was a combination of applicants from 2021 (those affected by Covid) and 2022. The students came mostly from the Emilia-Romagna and Marche regions of Italy. The new CES school in Wimbledon has been a success with feedback forms mostly reading excellent. A new procedure for volunteers and points of contacts worked relatively well and some more information may be required to make it smoothly. The Trust also hosted a picnic for the students in a London Park which was so successful it will probably become an annual event

Legacy: The commemorative memorial commissioned jointly by our fellow organization Escape Lines Memorial Society and the Trust is being prepared for unveiling at a ceremony in May 2023 at the Eden Camp WW2 Museum near York and suitable wording for the inscription was agreed.

Research: Good progress has been made with US National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) with plans to digitize the Allied Screening Commission archive held in Washington. The cost for the Trust is likely to be up to \$250,000; it is hoped that NARA will cover the (substantial) balance. A visit by the Chairman and trustee Anne Copley is planned for March 2023.

The Parri Institute in Italy has achieved the main goals set out in the grant agreement signed in March 2021 which was to create a website covering two aspects of the allied presence in wartime Italy, namely a census of Prisoner of War camps and a collection of stories and testimonies of those Prisoners of War who escaped from the camps after the 8th September 1943.

Annual Lunch: The annual lunch was held in the RAF Club for the first time. A new venue following a move from the Royal Overseas League; the food and venue was considered to be an improvement. There were 138 participants (up from 90 the year before) and there were donations of £2,290.

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Achievements and performance (continued)

Publications: A People's Courage was published in 2022. Translated from the Italian by members of the Trust Filippo Ierano's book tells the story from the point of view of the brave farming families that helped the escapees.

Communication review: A review of the Trust's communications strategy was undertaken in the Summer by consultants Third Sector. This far ranging review arrived at key recommendations which will be implemented over the next year by David Kettle the Trust's administrator and George Mitchell the IT consultant. Bearing in mind the Trust resources these included increased social media activity limited to Facebook and the website to enhance the Trust's profile and fundraising, regular online and donation process, increased engagement with students and Italy and moving the sites to Google analytics monitoring.

b. Investment policy and performance

The investment portfolio managed by Rathbones was valued at £2,899,957 as at 31st December 2022, which was the Trust's financial year end. The Comparable figure for the previous year was £3,282,452. During the twelve months to December 2022, £58,138 (£64,052) in 2021 was withdrawn to meet planned expenditure

Our success in not dipping into our core funds was not echoed by the markets and the continued world economic problems caused considerable erosion in the Trust's portfolio value.

The move to include our funds in the Rathbones charity portfolio was completed in April and the commensurate reduction in charges was most welcome given the other challenges faced. This move means that our receipts from Rathbones are now quarterly rather than monthly but we had sufficient cash in our current account to ensure we could cover all our costs.

Our portfolio with Rathbones has, for reasons mentioned above, not done well with total return of -9.5% underperforming the Charity Total Return Strategy Benchmark by 2.3% (benchmark -7.2%) We were also well down against our other target of CPI +3% ie 14%.

Of the assets within the portfolio at 31st December 2022, 70.2% (75.4% in 2021) was invested in equities, split 35.4% in UK equities (35.8% in 2021) and 34.8% in overseas equities (39.6% in 2021). Outside of equities, 15.1% (13.9% in 2021) was invested in alternatives, which are lower to medium risk, and 9.9% (7.1% in 2021) in fixed interest and 4.8% (3.6% in 2021) in cash. The investment portfolio remains well diversified to counter the volatility and fluctuations in the markets.

The fund produced income of £59,469 in 2022, an income yield of approximately 2.1% based on a value of £2,899,957 on December 31st 2022. In the previous year, the fund produced an income of £66,741, which represented a yield of 2.0%.

In addition to the investments and cash at Rathbones, the Trust had a bank cash balance of £84,869 (2021 £80,531).

The net assets of the Trust stand at £2,983,647 with Investments at Rathbones of £2,899,957 cash at bank of £84,869 and debtors and accrued income of £1,144, less liabilities due of £2,323.

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Financial review

a. Going concern

After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Trust has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the accounting policies.

b. Reserves policy

Because they anticipate that fundraising will become increasingly difficult as the events of 1943 to 1945 become more distant, the Trustees' policy is to hold enough investments in the (expendable) Endowment Fund to generate a return sufficient to cover the Charity's running costs; and to retain a sufficient sum in the General Reserve to enable the charity to continue to operate, which is considered to be three months' expenditure. At the end of the previous year the General Reserve was above this level. The market value of the Endowment Fund as at 31 December 2022 was £2,899,957 (2021 £3,282,452).

c. Financial Review

The Trust's total income for the year was £102,130 (2021 £101,484) including investment income of £59,469 and Donations of £42,616. Expenditure was £110,285 (2021 £67,325) of which the costs relating to bursaries to Italian students were £60,887 (2021 £7,791). The investment portfolio had unrealised gains and losses totaling a loss of £187,669 (2021 gains of £370,959) and realised losses of £181,362 (2021 gains of £26,632).

Donations: We have again received a large donation from the Swire Trust, £25,000 this year on top of the £20,000 in 2021 and the Moynitrust which gave another £1,000. The lunch raised nearly £1,000 in donations on top of the payments for the meal. We moved back to Just Giving from Virgin early in the year but donations via the site remain quite low at £1,142 including Gift Aid for the year.

Structure, governance and management

a. Constitution

Monte San Martino Trust is registered as a charitable company limited by guarantee and was set up by a Memorandum of Association.

The Trust is constituted under a Memorandum of Association dated 26 October 2005, amended 12 October 2020, and is a registered charity number (1113897) in England and Wales. Prior to incorporation of the Charity, it was constituted by a Deed of Trust dated 18th September 1989, as amended on 15th April 1993 and bore the same name, Monte San Martino Trust. The then Trustees were advised to incorporate the Charity in order to mitigate the increasing risks faced by Trustees. The charity registered as a charitable company in England and Wales with the registered number 05604293.

b. Methods of appointment or election of Trustees

The management of the Trust is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Trust deed.

The company (hereinafter referred to as the Trust or Charity) is operated by its Trustees who meet periodically. New Trustees are recruited from among people who have an interest in furthering the aims of the Charity with a view to ensuring that all the necessary competencies are represented within the trustee body.

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Structure, governance and management (continued)

c. Organisational structure and decision-making policies

The Trustees discuss and make any necessary decisions during the period for the achievement of the charity's objectives, and the promotion of its work both in the UK and Italy.

d. Financial risk management

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the Trust is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the Trust, and are satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

a. The performance of investments. Risks are mitigated by retaining expert investment managers and maintaining a diversified investment portfolio. The Trustees and Rathbones continue to maintain a careful approach to investments with the aim to achieve long-term capital growth.

b. Safeguarding the students. The Trustees have in place a formal safeguarding policy. The students have to be at least 18 years of age when they come to the UK and any further risks are mitigated by having a selection of Meeters well-known to the officers of the Trust, who will report any misgivings to the Trustees and to whom the students can turn to if they have any misgivings. The two schools the students attend are both respectable and have pastoral care policies in place. The Trust maintains a public liability insurance policy which covers any possible claims by students as a result of their participation in the bursary programme.

Plans for future periods

The Trustees expect to continue to offer between 30 and 40 bursaries per year to Italian students.

Although there is no sign of diminishing interest in the work of the Trust the Trustees are aware that as the events of 1943 become more remote then memories will fade. The Trustees are therefore looking at ways to provide a lasting legacy. This includes discussion of a permanent memorial stone at Eden Camp in Yorkshire, work digitizing the archive held at NARA in Washington and with Cambridge University.

The Trust is also looking at ways to get regular donations from the supporters many of whom only engage with the Trust once a year at the lunch.

Funds held as custodian

The Charity did not hold any assets as a custodian.

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Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees (who are also the directors of the Trust for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial . Under company law, the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Trust and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, 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 of the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards (FRS 102) have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Trust will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Trust's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Trust and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Trust and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Sir Nicholas Young

Date: 21 September 2023

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Monte San Martino Trust ('the Trust')

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

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the Trustees of the Trust (and its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Trust are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the 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 in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

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.

This report is made solely to the Trust's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Trust'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 Trust and the Trust's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

Signed:

Dr J Fletcher

Dated: 25 September 2023

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Endowment funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £	Total funds 2021 £
Income and endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	3	42,616	-	42,616	34,305
Other trading activities	4	45	-	45	438
Investments	5	57,972	1,497	59,469	66,741
Total income and endowments		100,633	1,497	102,130	101,484
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds:					
Investment management fees	6	-	14,961	14,961	21,733
Charitable activities	7	95,324	-	95,324	45,592
Total expenditure		95,324	14,961	110,285	67,325
Net income/(expenditure) before net (losses)/gains on investments		5,309	(13,464)	(8,155)	34,159
Net (losses)/gains on investments		-	(369,031)	(369,031)	397,591
Net movement in funds		5,309	(382,495)	(377,186)	431,750
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		78,381	3,282,452	3,360,833	2,929,083
Net movement in funds		5,309	(382,495)	(377,186)	431,750
Total funds carried forward		83,690	2,899,957	2,983,647	3,360,833

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

The notes on pages 11 to 20 form part of these financial statements.

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REGISTERED NUMBER: 05604293

BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Note	2022 £	2021 £
Fixed assets			
Investments	11	2,899,957	3,282,452
		2,899,957	3,282,452
Current assets			
Debtors	12	1,144	190
Cash at bank and in hand		84,869	80,531
		86,013	80,721
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	13	(2,323)	(2,340)
		83,690	78,381
Net current assets		83,690	78,381
Total net assets		2,983,647	3,360,833
Charity funds			
Endowment funds	15	2,899,957	3,282,452
Unrestricted funds	15	83,690	78,381
Total funds		2,983,647	3,360,833

The Trust was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of Companies Act 2006.

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and preparation of financial statements.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to entities subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Sir Nicholas Young

Date: 21 September 2023

The notes on pages 11 to 20 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

1. General information

Monte San Martino Trust is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated in England and Wales with the registered number 05604293, charity registered number 1113897. Its registered office is Crown Chambers, Bridge Street, Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP1 2LZ. In the event of the Trust being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £10 per member of the Trust. The members of the company are the Trustees named on page 1.

2. Accounting policies

2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006. 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 (FRS102) rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

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

2.2 Going concern

After making appropriate enquiries the Trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the Trust's ability to continue as a going concern.

2.3 Income

All income is recognised once the Trust has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

The recognition of income from legacies is dependent on establishing entitlement, the probability of receipt and the ability to estimate with sufficient accuracy the amount receivable. Evidence of entitlement to a legacy exists when the Trust has sufficient evidence that a gift has been left to them (through knowledge of the existence of a valid will and the death of the benefactor) and the executor is satisfied that the property in question will not be required to satisfy claims in the estate. Receipt of a legacy must be recognised when it is probable that it will be received and the fair value of the amount receivable, which will generally be the expected cash amount to be distributed to the Trust, can be reliably measured.

Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Income tax recoverable in relation to investment income is recognised at the time the investment income is receivable.

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2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.4 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

Expenditure on raising funds includes all expenditure incurred by the Trust to raise funds for its charitable purposes and includes costs of all fundraising activities events and non-charitable trading.

Expenditure on charitable activities is incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the Trust's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

Grants payable are charged in the year when the offer is made except in those cases where the offer is conditional, such grants being recognised as expenditure when the conditions attaching are fulfilled. Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end are noted as a commitment, but not accrued as expenditure.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

2.5 Investments

Fixed asset investments are a form of financial instrument and are initially recognised at their transaction cost and subsequently measured at fair value at the Balance sheet date, unless the value cannot be measured reliably in which case it is measured at cost less impairment. Investment gains and losses, whether realised or unrealised, are combined and presented as 'Gains/(Losses) on investments' in the Statement of financial activities.

2.6 Debtors

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

2.7 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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2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.8 Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the Trust anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation. Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised in the Statement of financial activities as a finance cost.

2.9 Financial instruments

The Trust only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are recognised at transaction value, except for investments which are measured at market value (fair value) as per the investment managers' portfolio, with changes recognised in the Statement of financial activities.

2.10 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Trust and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the Trust for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Investment income, gains and losses are allocated to the appropriate fund.

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3. Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £	<i>Total funds 2021 £</i>
Donations	35,035	35,035	34,305
Legacies	7,581	7,581	-
	<u>42,616</u>	<u>42,616</u>	<u>34,305</u>

4. Income from other trading activities

Income from fundraising events

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £	<i>Total funds 2021 £</i>
Sale of books	45	45	438
	<u>45</u>	<u>45</u>	<u>438</u>

5. Investment income

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Endowment funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £
Income from local listed investments	52,511	-	52,511
Investment income - foreign listed investments	5,461	1,497	6,958
	<u>57,972</u>	<u>1,497</u>	<u>59,469</u>

	<i>Unrestricted funds 2021 £</i>	<i>Endowment funds 2021 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2021 £</i>
Income from local listed investments	49,998	-	49,998
Investment income - foreign listed investments	14,088	2,655	16,743
	<u>64,086</u>	<u>2,655</u>	<u>66,741</u>

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5. Investment income (continued)

6. Investment management costs

	Endowment funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £	<i>Total funds 2021 £</i>
Investment management fees	14,961	14,961	21,733
	14,961	14,961	21,733

7. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

Summary by fund type

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Total 2022 £	<i>Total 2021 £</i>
Student bursaries	60,887	60,887	7,791
Student support costs	8,807	8,807	2,400
Donations to charitable causes	-	-	3,000
Digitalisation of archives	1,025	1,025	4,019
Support costs	11,430	11,430	19,428
Grants to institutions	13,175	13,175	8,954
Total 2022	95,324	95,324	45,592

2022 saw the number of bursaries back to pre-pandemic levels and the Trust welcomed 34 students. These bursaries are for English language courses and are a way of promoting the memory of the Italians that helped escaped prisoners during World War 11 and they remain the core purpose of the Trust. The rise in the number of students saw a commensurate rise in the support fees. £8,807 (2022 £2,400)

The grant to the Parri Institute in Italy of £13,175 were the final parts of payments towards the costs of research into prisoners of war, those that helped them and the digitization of the findings.

All expenditure in 2022 was met from general funds.

8. Independent examiner's remuneration

The independent examiner's remuneration amounts to an independent examiner fee of £450 (2021 - £414), and accountancy of £1,873 (2021 - £1,724).

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9. Staff costs

The average employee headcount during the year was nil (2021 nil).

No employee received remuneration amounting to more than £60,000 in either year.

The Trust considers its key management personnel comprise the trustees. The total employment benefits of the key management personnel was £NIL (2021 £NIL). The total fees paid to the key management personnel was £NIL (2021 £NIL).

10. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits (2021 - £NIL).

During the year ended 31 December 2022, no Trustee expenses have been incurred (2021 - £NIL).

11. Fixed asset investments

	Listed investments £	Cash held in portfolio £	Total £
Cost or valuation			
At 1 January 2022	3,162,744	119,708	3,282,452
Additions	3,145,284	-	3,145,284
Disposals	(3,220,545)	(119,565)	(3,340,110)
Revaluations	(187,669)	-	(187,669)
At 31 December 2022	<u>2,899,814</u>	<u>143</u>	<u>2,899,957</u>
Net book value			
At 31 December 2022	<u>2,899,814</u>	<u>143</u>	<u>2,899,957</u>
At 31 December 2021	<u>3,162,744</u>	<u>119,708</u>	<u>3,282,452</u>

Investments at market value comprise:

Listed investments of £2,899,814 are now held in Rathbone units only. In 2021 the listed investments of (2021 £3,162,744); comprised of UK investments (2021 £2,226,361) and Overseas investments of (2021 £936,383).

Cash held of £143 (2021 £119,708).

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12. Debtors

	2022 £	2021 £
Due within one year		
Other debtors	343	190
Prepayments and accrued income	801	-
	1,144	190

13. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2022 £	2021 £
Trade creditors	-	185
Accruals and deferred income	2,323	2,155
	2,323	2,340

14. Financial instruments

	2022 £	2021 £
Financial assets		
Financial assets measured at fair value through income and expenditure	2,899,957	3,282,452
	2,899,957	3,282,452

Financial assets measured at fair value through income and expenditure comprise investments held in a portfolio including cash held in Rathbones capital account.

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15. Statement of funds

Statement of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 January 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 December 2022 £
Unrestricted funds						
General Funds	78,381	100,633	(95,324)	-	-	83,690
Endowment funds						
Revaluation reserve	712,760	-	-	(712,760)	(187,669)	(187,669)
Expendable reserves	2,569,692	1,497	(14,961)	712,760	(181,362)	3,087,626
	<u>3,282,452</u>	<u>1,497</u>	<u>(14,961)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(369,031)</u>	<u>2,899,957</u>
Total of funds	<u><u>3,360,833</u></u>	<u><u>102,130</u></u>	<u><u>(110,285)</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>(369,031)</u></u>	<u><u>2,983,647</u></u>

Statement of funds - prior year

	<i>Balance at</i> <i>1 January</i> <i>2021</i> £	<i>Income</i> £	<i>Expenditure</i> £	<i>Transfers</i> <i>in/out</i> £	<i>Gains/</i> <i>(Losses)</i> £	<i>Balance at</i> <i>31</i> <i>December</i> <i>2021</i> £
Unrestricted funds						
General Funds	55,144	98,829	(45,592)	(30,000)	-	78,381
Endowment funds						
Revaluation reserve	479,681	-	-	-	233,079	712,760
Expendable reserves	2,394,258	2,655	(21,733)	30,000	164,512	2,569,692
	<u>2,873,939</u>	<u>2,655</u>	<u>(21,733)</u>	<u>30,000</u>	<u>397,591</u>	<u>3,282,452</u>

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15. Statement of funds (continued)

Total of funds	2,929,083	101,484	(67,325)	-	397,591	3,360,833
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16. Summary of funds

Summary of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 January 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 December 2022 £
General funds	78,381	100,633	(95,324)	-	-	83,690
Endowment funds	3,282,452	1,497	(14,961)	-	(369,031)	2,899,957
	3,360,833	102,130	(110,285)	-	(369,031)	2,983,647

Summary of funds - prior year

	Balance at 1 January 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 December 2021 £
General funds	55,144	98,829	(45,592)	(30,000)	-	78,381
Endowment funds	2,873,939	2,655	(21,733)	30,000	397,591	3,282,452
	2,929,083	101,484	(67,325)	-	397,591	3,360,833

17. Analysis of net assets between funds

Analysis of net assets between funds - current year

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Endowment funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £
Fixed asset investments	-	2,899,957	2,899,957
Current assets	86,013	-	86,013
Creditors due within one year	(2,323)	-	(2,323)
Total	83,690	2,899,957	2,983,647

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17. Analysis of net assets between funds (continued)

Analysis of net assets between funds - prior year

	<i>Unrestricted funds 2021 £</i>	<i>Endowment funds 2021 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2021 £</i>
Fixed asset investments	-	3,282,452	3,282,452
Current assets	80,721	-	80,721
Creditors due within one year	(2,340)	-	(2,340)
Total	<u><u>78,381</u></u>	<u><u>3,282,452</u></u>	<u><u>3,360,833</u></u>

18. Indemnity insurance

The Trust holds third party indemnity insurance to protect the Trustees and volunteers.

19. Volunteers

In 2021 and 2022 Monte San Martino Trust did not utilise any volunteers during these years to meet and greet the students. In future the students will be given travel instructions and the telephone number of a volunteer in case they have problems.

20. Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions during the year.

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England & Wales - Charity number 1113897

Accounts

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UNAUDITED
TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

Fletcher & Partners
Chartered Accountants
Salisbury

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**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE TRUST, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

Trustees

Sir Nicholas Young, Chairman
Ms Anne Bewicke-Copley
Hon. Letitia Blake, Secretary
Mr Omar Bucchioni
Ms Nermina Delic
Ms Christine English
Mr Nicholas Gent (resigned 31 December 2021)
Mr Ian Laing
Ms Julia C G MacKenzie
Mr Justin de Meo
Mr Christopher Prentice
Mr Miles Skinner (resigned 31 December 2021)
Mr Christopher Woodhead, Treasurer

Company registered number

05604293

Charity registered number

1113897

Registered office

Crown Chambers, Bridge Street, Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP1 2LZ

Correspondence address

Hon. Letitia Blake, info@msmtrust.org.uk

Company secretary

Hon. Letitia Blake

Senior management team

Mr John Simkins, Administrator

Accountants

Fletcher & Partners, Crown Chambers, Bridge Street, Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP1 2LZ

Bankers

Bank of Ireland, PO Box 2124, Belfast, BT1 9RS

Portfolio Manager

Rathbone Investment Management, 8 Finsbury Circus, London, EC2M 7AZ

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TRUSTEES' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of the Trust for the 1 January 2021 to 31 December 2021. The Annual report serves the purposes of both a Trustees' report and a directors' report under company law. The Trustees confirm that the Annual report and financial statements of the charitable company comply with the current statutory requirements, the requirements of the charitable company's governing document and the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2019).

Since the Trust qualifies as small under section 382 of the Companies Act 2006, the Strategic report required of medium and large companies under the Companies Act 2006 (Strategic Report and Directors' Report) Regulations 2013 has been omitted.

Objectives and activities

a. Policies and objectives

The Trust was founded in 1989 as a small, but lasting, tribute to the Italian people, especially those living in the countryside. Their courage and generosity helped thousands of Allied prisoners of war escape from their prison camps after the Armistice was signed with the Allies in 1943. Despite their poverty, risks of being shot and of their houses being burnt down by German soldiers, these Italians provided food, shelter and clothing to the escapee soldiers.

In recognition of, and gratitude for, all the sacrifices made by these Italian families, the Trust was established by the late Keith Killby and a number of other Second World War veterans to grant bursaries in Britain to young Italians, often direct descendants of, or connected with, those Italians who gave such help. They mainly come from the Emilia-Romagna, Tuscany, Abruzzi and Marche areas as these were the main areas where the prison camps were located. Each bursary typically covers four weeks study at language school and board and accommodation. The cost to the Charity is approximately £2,350 per student. In recognition of his services to Anglo-Italian relations through the Monte San Martino Trust, Keith Killby was awarded an OBE in 2001 and has also subsequently been honoured by the Italian President by being made a Cavaliere Ufficiale.

In June 2013, the Trustees decided to broaden the purposes of the Charity to include the education of the public about the experience of Allied prisoners of war in Italy and the bravery of those who helped them. The Trustees are empowered to commemorate all this in whatever way they think fit. This widening of the objects of the Charity was "codified" by a special resolution, passed on 24th June 2013.

This broadening of the purposes of the Charity reinforces the ultimate aim of the Trust, which is to ensure we never forget the experiences of the Allied prisoners of war and the sacrifices and risks taken by so many Italians for the Allied soldiers, which have never been adequately recognised at an official level; the object is also to keep alive a memory of true courage and humanity, by which our and future generations can be inspired.

If you wish to make a donation, or require any further information, please send an email for the attention of Miss Letitia Blake at info@msmstrust.org.uk or visit the Trust's website at msmstrust.org.uk.

In setting objectives and planning for activities, the Trustees have given due consideration to general guidance published by the Charity Commission relating to public benefit, including the guidance 'Public benefit: running a charity (PB2)'.

b. Main activities undertaken to further the Trust's purposes for the public benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers or duties. As students are provided with bursaries by the charity they can benefit irrespective of their own financial resources.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)
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Achievements and performance

a. Review of activities

AS we all emerge from the extraordinary hiatus of the pandemic, we have spent some time looking at the priorities for the Trust over the next five years. Thanks particularly to the generosity of the late Keith Killby, our founder, and the successful fundraising appeal led by Vanni Treves, we are in a strong position financially, with more than £3 million invested for our future work.

The Trustees want to ensure that the main work of providing bursaries continues for as long as our successors in the Trust consider it appropriate. But, at the same time, we are all enthusiastic both to continue with existing initiatives and to extend the work where we have the capacity to do so.

Strategy: The core trustees held meetings to shape strategic priorities for the five years from 2022 to 2027. Three key priorities were identified: to increase focus on research into the Allied presence in wartime Italy; to improve communications with stakeholders; and to enhance the Trust's presence in Italy and within the UK. The proposals were set to be put to the board of directors in January 2022.

Other activities in the year included:

Legacy: The Trust's fellow PoW organisation, ELMS, in a joint venture, led the way in commissioning Memorial Rock, paid for by the Trust, to honour the Italians who sheltered escaped prisoners of war. Although work was held up by the pandemic, the rock was transported to the proposed site at Eden Camp Modern History Museum near Malton, North Yorkshire. It was planned to unveil this in 2023.

Fundraising: In addition to other donations, the Trust received nearly £6,000 from sponsors of Trust supporter Graham Jones, Captain of Sudbury Golf Club, who had nominated the Trust as his preferred charity for his captaincy year.

Students: The programme of four-week English language study bursaries for young Italians was largely thwarted as the pandemic affected travel from Italy and imposed social restrictions within the UK. Although nearly 40 bursaries were awarded, only four of the recipients succeeded in coming to England in 2021. A fifth student was provided with a remote learning package. The remainder opted to postpone their bursaries until 2022. The Trust was preparing to accept 40 students in 2022, comprising postponed students and successful new applicants. The Trust made one significant change to its student arrangements. Partly on the grounds of cost, it was decided to no longer send students to a language school it had been using in central London. In 2022, students opting for the London area were to be sent to the Centre of English Studies in Wimbledon, a sister-school of CES-Oxford which will continue to be used.

Using legal advice, a thorough overhaul was conducted of student arrangements; a memorandum of understanding with language schools; and copyright documentation. The application process for student bursaries became digital.

Annual Lunch: This was held on 10th November 2021, the first such occasion since 2019. It was attended by 90 people, about a fifth of them being new members.

IT and technology: The profile of the Trust's main website, www.msmtrust.org.uk, and the Facebook page continued to grow. Technical work by a consultant was carried out in March to smooth operation by the website's browser. The Trust continued to employ George Mitchell as IT consultant, and the IT firm Bongo to safeguard its database, websites and emailing. An approach was made to a digital consultant with a view to implementing the communications improvements.

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Achievements and performance (continued)

Publications and webinars: Following a successful webinar in 2020, a second event was broadcast on 31 October on the subject of Indian PoWs in Italy. It featured three speakers from three different time zones and was well attended, attracting listeners from 10 different countries.

A team of four Italian speakers among the trustees worked during the year on a translation into English of a book by an Italian historian containing interviews with Italians in the Marche who had aided prisoners on the run. It was intended to publish this as an e-book in 2022. One of this team was also working on a book about prisoners who were not officers but who served in Other Ranks.

Research: In keeping with the Trust's long-term strategy to focus on research into the Allied presence in Italy during the Second World War, a contract was signed with the Istituto Nazionale Ferruccio Parri, based in Milan, for the institute to create an online portal collating research on the subject of "Italy and The Allies 1939-1947"..

b. Investment policy and performance

The investment portfolio managed by Rathbones was valued at £3,282,452 as at 31st December 2021, which was the Trust's financial year end. The comparable figure for the previous year was £2,873,939. During the twelve months to December 2021, £30,000 was added to the portfolio for investment and £64,052 (£52,512 in 2020) was withdrawn to meet planned expenditure.

The Trust portfolio remains in good standing which gives the Trust plenty of scope to realise our ambition to fund the various research and other commitments even to the extent of drawing down on the total value of the fund whilst of course leaving sufficient funding for our core activity – the bursaries. The investment objective continues to be a balance between capital growth and income generation but following meetings of the Trustees the emphasis has changed somewhat to that of using more of the capital to fund relevant projects.

The Trust portfolio with Rathbones has done well with total return of +17.3% outperforming Index by over 5% (Index 13.1%) We also outperformed the other benchmarks against which we measure our portfolio rate: the MSCI PIMFA grew at+10.1% and the ARC Charity Steady Growth Index +11.7% for 2021. The fund generated £66,741 which when taken alongside the increase in portfolio value suggests a good balance of investments. We are also moving the fund into the Rathbones portfolio which will have a significant reduction in both Rathbones and third-party fees.

Of the assets within the portfolio at 31st December 2021, 76.9% (2020 76.6%) was invested in Equities with 12.3% (2020 13.34%) in Alternatives, which are lower to medium risk, and 7.1% (2020 7.33%) in fixed interest and 3.7% (2020 2.77%) in cash. The Investment portfolio remains well diversified to counter the volatility and fluctuations in the markets.

The fund produced income of £66,741 in 2021, an income yield of approximately 2.0% based on a value of £3,282,452 on December 31st 2021. In the previous year, the fund produced an income of £53,045, which also represents a yield of 2.0%.

In addition to the investments and cash at Rathbones, the Trust had a bank cash balance of £80,531 (2020 £59,328).

The net assets of the Trust stand at £3,360,833 with Investments at Rathbones of £3,282,452 cash at bank of £79,564 and cash due from Rathbones of £967, debtors and accrued income of £190, less liabilities due of £2,340.

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Financial review

a. Going concern

After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Trust has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the accounting policies.

b. Reserves policy

Because they anticipate that fundraising will become increasingly difficult as the events of 1943 to 1945 become more distant, the Trustees' policy is to hold enough investments in the (expendable) Endowment Fund to generate a return sufficient to cover the Charity's running costs; and to retain a sufficient sum in the General Reserve to enable the charity to continue to operate, which is considered to be three months' expenditure. At the end of the previous year the General Reserve was above this level. The market value of the Endowment Fund as at 31 December 2021 was £3,282,452 (2020 £2,873,939).

c. Financial Review

The Trust's total income for the year was £101,484 (2020 £129,652) including investment income of £66,741 and Donations of £34,305. Expenditure was £67,325 (2020 £38,744) of which the costs relating to bursaries to Italian students were £19,428 (2020 £11,809). The investment portfolio had unrealised gains and losses totaling a gain of £370,959 (2020 gains of £212,477) and realised gains of £26,632 (2020 losses of £55,697).

Structure, governance and management

a. Constitution

Monte San Martino Trust is registered as a charitable company limited by guarantee and was set up by a Memorandum of Association.

The Trust is constituted under a Memorandum of Association dated 26 October 2005, amended 12 October 2020, and is a registered charity number (1113897) in England and Wales. Prior to incorporation of the Charity, it was constituted by a Deed of Trust dated 18th September 1989, as amended on 15th April 1993 and bore the same name, Monte San Martino Trust. The then Trustees were advised to incorporate the Charity in order to mitigate the increasing risks faced by Trustees. The charity registered as a charitable company in England and Wales with the registered number 05604293.

b. Methods of appointment or election of Trustees

The management of the Trust is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Trust deed.

The company (hereinafter referred to as the Trust or Charity) is operated by its Trustees who meet periodically. New Trustees are recruited from among people who have an interest in furthering the aims of the Charity with a view to ensuring that all the necessary competencies are represented within the trustee body.

c. Organisational structure and decision-making policies

The Trustees discuss and make any necessary decisions during the period for the achievement of the charity's objectives, and the promotion of its work both in the UK and Italy.

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Structure, governance and management (continued)

d. Financial risk management

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the Trust is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the Trust, and are satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

a. The performance of investments. Risks are mitigated by retaining expert investment managers and maintaining a diversified investment portfolio. The Trustees and Rathbones continue to maintain a careful approach to investments with the aim to achieve long-term capital growth.

b. Safeguarding the students. The Trustees have in place a formal safeguarding policy. The students have to be at least 18 years of age when they come to the UK and any further risks are mitigated by having a selection of Meeters well-known to the officers of the Trust, who will report any misgivings to the Trustees and to whom the students can turn to if they have any misgivings. The two schools the students attend are both respectable and have pastoral care policies in place. The Trust maintains a public liability insurance policy which covers any possible claims by students as a result of their participation in the bursary programme.

Plans for future periods

The Trustees expect to continue to offer between 30 and 40 bursaries every year to Italian students.

The long term objective remains to increase the investment income to a level so that the recurrent investment income is more aligned to the running expenses of the Trust. Despite the receipt of the recent generous legacy, there remains a significant shortfall between the levels of investment income and of the recurring commitments of the Trust, so significant donations are required to avoid large calls being made on capital. It remains a concern of the Trustees that, as memories of the Second World War fade, it will be increasingly difficult to rely on regular donations to finance the future outgoings of the Charity.

The Monte San Martino Trust remains dependent on the goodwill and generosity of its supporters and the Trustees would like to take the opportunity of thanking them all.

It is worth reminding supporters that it is very easy to alter a Will to include the Charity as a beneficiary. Such a move is not only advantageous from the point of view of inheritance tax but can easily and economically be arranged by means of a codicil. If you need any further information, please contact Mr Christopher Woodhead, the Treasurer, at info@msmtrust.org.uk.

Funds held as custodian

The Charity did not hold any assets as a custodian.

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Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees (who are also the directors of the Trust for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial . Under company law, the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Trust and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, 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 of the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards (FRS 102) have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Trust will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Trust's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Trust and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Trust and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Sir Nicholas Young
(Chair of Trustees)
Date: 26 October 2022

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Monte San Martino Trust ('the Trust')

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

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the Trustees of the Trust (and its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Trust are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the 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 in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

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.

This report is made solely to the Trust's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Trust'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 Trust and the Trust's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

Signed:

Dated: 27 October 2022

Dr J Fletcher

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Bridge Street
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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Endowment funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £	<i>Total funds 2020 £</i>
Income and endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	3	34,305	-	34,305	76,225
Other trading activities	4	438	-	438	382
Investments	5	64,086	2,655	66,741	53,045
Total income and endowments		98,829	2,655	101,484	129,652
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds:	6				
Investment management fees		-	21,733	21,733	17,168
Charitable activities	7	45,592	-	45,592	21,576
Total expenditure		45,592	21,733	67,325	38,744
Net income/(expenditure) before net gains on investments		53,237	(19,078)	34,159	90,908
Net gains on investments		-	397,591	397,591	156,780
Net income		53,237	378,513	431,750	247,688
Transfers between funds	15	(30,000)	30,000	-	-
Net movement in funds		23,237	408,513	431,750	247,688
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		55,144	2,873,939	2,929,083	2,681,395
Net movement in funds		23,237	408,513	431,750	247,688
Total funds carried forward		78,381	3,282,452	3,360,833	2,929,083

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

The notes on pages 11 to 21 form part of these financial statements.

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REGISTERED NUMBER: 05604293

BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Note	2021 £	2020 £
Fixed assets			
Investments	11	3,282,452	2,873,939
		3,282,452	2,873,939
Current assets			
Debtors	12	190	479
Cash at bank and in hand		80,531	59,328
		80,721	59,807
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	13	(2,340)	(4,663)
		78,381	55,144
Net current assets		78,381	55,144
Total net assets		3,360,833	2,929,083
Charity funds			
Endowment funds	15	3,282,452	2,873,939
Unrestricted funds	15	78,381	55,144
Total funds		3,360,833	2,929,083

The Trust was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of Companies Act 2006.

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and preparation of financial statements.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to entities subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Sir Nicholas Young
 (Chair of Trustees)
 Date: 26 October 2022

The notes on pages 11 to 21 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

1. General information

Monte San Martino Trust is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated in England and Wales with the registered number 05604293, charity registered number 1113897. Its registered office is Crown Chambers, Bridge Street, Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP1 2LZ. In the event of the Trust being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £10 per member of the Trust. The members of the company are the Trustees named on page 1.

2. Accounting policies

2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006. 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 (FRS102) rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

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

2.2 Going concern

After making appropriate enquiries the Trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the Trust's ability to continue as a going concern.

2.3 Income

All income is recognised once the Trust has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

The recognition of income from legacies is dependent on establishing entitlement, the probability of receipt and the ability to estimate with sufficient accuracy the amount receivable. Evidence of entitlement to a legacy exists when the Trust has sufficient evidence that a gift has been left to them (through knowledge of the existence of a valid will and the death of the benefactor) and the executor is satisfied that the property in question will not be required to satisfy claims in the estate. Receipt of a legacy must be recognised when it is probable that it will be received and the fair value of the amount receivable, which will generally be the expected cash amount to be distributed to the Trust, can be reliably measured.

Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Income tax recoverable in relation to investment income is recognised at the time the investment income is receivable.

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2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.4 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

Expenditure on raising funds includes all expenditure incurred by the Trust to raise funds for its charitable purposes and includes costs of all fundraising activities events and non-charitable trading.

Expenditure on charitable activities is incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the Trust's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

Grants payable are charged in the year when the offer is made except in those cases where the offer is conditional, such grants being recognised as expenditure when the conditions attaching are fulfilled. Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end are noted as a commitment, but not accrued as expenditure.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

2.5 Investments

Fixed asset investments are a form of financial instrument and are initially recognised at their transaction cost and subsequently measured at fair value at the Balance sheet date, unless the value cannot be measured reliably in which case it is measured at cost less impairment. Investment gains and losses, whether realised or unrealised, are combined and presented as 'Gains/(Losses) on investments' in the Statement of financial activities.

2.6 Debtors

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

2.7 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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2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.8 Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the Trust anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation. Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised in the Statement of financial activities as a finance cost.

2.9 Financial instruments

The Trust only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are recognised at transaction value, except for investments which are measured at market value (fair value) as per the investment managers' portfolio, with changes recognised in the Statement of financial activities.

2.10 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Trust and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the Trust for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Investment income, gains and losses are allocated to the appropriate fund.

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3. Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Endowment funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £
Donations	34,305	-	34,305

	<i>Unrestricted funds 2020 £</i>	<i>Endowment funds 2020 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2020 £</i>
Donations	18,759	-	18,759
Legacies	46,933	10,533	57,466
	<u>65,692</u>	<u>10,533</u>	<u>76,225</u>

4. Income from other trading activities

Income from fundraising events

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £	Total funds 2020 £
Sale of books	438	438	382

5. Investment income

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Endowment funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £
Income from local listed investments	49,998	-	49,998
Investment income - foreign listed investments	14,088	2,655	16,743
	<u>64,086</u>	<u>2,655</u>	<u>66,741</u>

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5. Investment income (continued)

	<i>Unrestricted funds 2020 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2020 £</i>
Income from local listed investments	43,090	43,090
Investment income - foreign listed investments	9,955	9,955
	<u>53,045</u>	<u>53,045</u>

6. Investment management costs

	<i>Endowment funds 2021 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2021 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2020 £</i>
Investment management fees	21,733	21,733	17,168
	<u>21,733</u>	<u>21,733</u>	<u>17,168</u>

7. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

Summary by fund type

	<i>Unrestricted funds 2021 £</i>	<i>Total 2021 £</i>	<i>Total 2020 £</i>
Student bursaries	7,791	7,791	-
Student support costs	2,400	2,400	-
Donations to charitable causes	3,000	3,000	3,600
Digitalisation of archives	4,019	4,019	6,167
Support costs	19,428	19,428	11,809
Grants to institutions	8,954	8,954	-
Total 2021	<u>45,592</u>	<u>45,592</u>	<u>21,576</u>

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7. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities (continued)

Summary by fund type (continued)

In 2020, no bursaries due to the COVID19 pandemic, only 4 bursaries were given in 2021. It is hoped that there will be a larger number of bursaries given in 2022 now that the pandemic restrictions are eased. These bursaries are for English Language courses and are a way of promoting the memory of the Italians that helped escaped prisoners of war during World War II.

The donations to charitable causes were made to charities promoting the memory of all those who helped escaped prisoners of war. The grant was to the Parri Institute in Italy towards the costs of research into prisoners of war and those that helped them, and the digitalisation of the findings.

Support costs consists of office administration £17,290 (2020 £9,199) and governance costs incurred, these being accountancy and independent examination fees (see note 8).

All expenditure in 2020 and 2021 were from general funds.

8. Independent examiner's remuneration

The independent examiner's remuneration amounts to an independent examiner fee of £414 (2020 - £396), and accountancy of £1,724 (2020 - £2,214).

9. Staff costs

The average employee headcount during the year was nil (2020 nil).

No employee received remuneration amounting to more than £60,000 in either year.

The Trust considers its key management personnel comprise the trustees. The total employment benefits of the key management personnel was £NIL (2020 £NIL). The total fees paid to the key management personnel was £NIL (2020 £NIL).

10. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits (2020 - £NIL).

During the year ended 31 December 2021, no Trustee expenses have been incurred (2020 - £NIL).

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11. Fixed asset investments

	Listed investments £	Cash held in portfolio £	Total £
Cost or valuation			
At 1 January 2021	2,794,443	79,496	2,873,939
Additions	580,503	40,212	620,715
Disposals	(583,163)	-	(583,163)
Revaluations	370,961	-	370,961
	<u>3,162,744</u>	<u>119,708</u>	<u>3,282,452</u>
At 31 December 2021	<u>3,162,744</u>	<u>119,708</u>	<u>3,282,452</u>
Net book value			
At 31 December 2021	<u>3,162,744</u>	<u>119,708</u>	<u>3,282,452</u>
<i>At 31 December 2020</i>	<u>2,794,443</u>	<u>79,496</u>	<u>2,873,939</u>

Investments at market value comprise:

Listed investments of £3,162,744 (2020 £2,794,443); comprised of UK investments £2,226,361 (2020 £2,192,904) and Overseas investments of £936,383 (2020 £601,539).

Cash held of £119,708 (2020 £79,496).

12. Debtors

	2021 £	2020 £
Due within one year		
Other debtors	190	198
Prepayments and accrued income	-	281
	<u>190</u>	<u>479</u>

13. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2021 £	2020 £
Trade creditors	185	-
Accruals and deferred income	2,155	4,663
	<u>2,340</u>	<u>4,663</u>

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14. Financial instruments

	2021 £	2020 £
Financial assets		
Financial assets measured at fair value through income and expenditure	<u>3,282,452</u>	<u>2,873,939</u>

Financial assets measured at fair value through income and expenditure comprise investments held in a portfolio including cash held in Rathbones capital account.

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15. Statement of funds

Statement of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 January 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 December 2021 £
Unrestricted funds						
General Funds	55,144	98,829	(45,592)	(30,000)	-	78,381
Endowment funds						
Revaluation reserve	479,681	-	-	-	233,079	712,760
Expendable reserves	2,394,258	2,655	(21,733)	30,000	164,512	2,569,692
	<u>2,873,939</u>	<u>2,655</u>	<u>(21,733)</u>	<u>30,000</u>	<u>397,591</u>	<u>3,282,452</u>
Total of funds	<u><u>2,929,083</u></u>	<u><u>101,484</u></u>	<u><u>(67,325)</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>397,591</u></u>	<u><u>3,360,833</u></u>

Statement of funds - prior year

	<i>Balance at</i> <i>1 January</i> <i>2020</i> £	<i>Income</i> £	<i>Expenditure</i> £	<i>Transfers</i> <i>in/out</i> £	<i>Gains/</i> <i>(Losses)</i> £	<i>Balance at</i> <i>31</i> <i>December</i> <i>2020</i> £
Unrestricted funds						
General Funds	332,601	119,119	(21,576)	(375,000)	-	55,144
Endowment funds						
Revaluation reserve	251,344	-	-	-	228,337	479,681
Expendable reserves	2,097,450	10,533	(17,168)	375,000	(71,557)	2,394,258
	<u>2,348,794</u>	<u>10,533</u>	<u>(17,168)</u>	<u>375,000</u>	<u>156,780</u>	<u>2,873,939</u>

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15. Statement of funds (continued)

Total of funds	2,681,395	129,652	(38,744)	-	156,780	2,929,083
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16. Summary of funds

Summary of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 January 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 December 2021 £
General funds	55,144	98,829	(45,592)	(30,000)	-	78,381
Endowment funds	2,873,939	2,655	(21,733)	30,000	397,591	3,282,452
	2,929,083	101,484	(67,325)	-	397,591	3,360,833

Summary of funds - prior year

	Balance at 1 January 2020 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 December 2020 £
General funds	332,601	119,119	(21,576)	(375,000)	-	55,144
Endowment funds	2,348,794	10,533	(17,168)	375,000	156,780	2,873,939
	2,681,395	129,652	(38,744)	-	156,780	2,929,083

17. Analysis of net assets between funds

Analysis of net assets between funds - current year

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Endowment funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £
Fixed asset investments	-	3,282,452	3,282,452
Current assets	80,721	-	80,721
Creditors due within one year	(2,340)	-	(2,340)
Total	78,381	3,282,452	3,360,833

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17. Analysis of net assets between funds (continued)

Analysis of net assets between funds - prior year

	<i>Unrestricted funds 2020 £</i>	<i>Endowment funds 2020 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2020 £</i>
Fixed asset investments	-	2,873,939	2,873,939
Current assets	59,807	-	59,807
Creditors due within one year	(4,663)	-	(4,663)
Total	55,144	2,873,939	2,929,083

18. Indemnity insurance

The Trust holds third party indemnity insurance to protect the Trustees and volunteers.

19. Volunteers

In 2020 and 2021 Monte San Martino Trust did not utilise any volunteers during these years to meet and greet the students. In future the students will be given travel instructions and the telephone number of a volunteer in case they have problems.

20. Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions during the year.

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England & Wales - Charity number 1113897

Accounts

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TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

Fletcher & Partners
Chartered Accountants
Salisbury

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**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE TRUST, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020**

Trustees

Sir Nicholas Young, Chairman
Ms Anne Bewicke-Copley
Hon. Letitia Blake, Secretary
Mr Omar Bucchioni
Ms Nermina Delic (appointed 23 January 2020)
Ms Christine English
Mr Nicholas Gent
Mr Ian Laing
Ms Julia C G MacKenzie (appointed 23 January 2020)
Mr Justin de Meo
Mr Christopher Prentice
Mr Miles Skinner
Mr Christopher Woodhead, Treasurer (appointed 23 January 2020)

Company registered number

05604293

Charity registered number

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Registered office

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Company secretary

Hon. Letitia Blake

Senior management team

Mr John Simkins, Administrator

Accountants

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Bankers

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Portfolio Manager

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TRUSTEES' REPORT
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The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of the Trust for the 1 January 2020 to 31 December 2020. The Annual report serves the purposes of both a Trustees' report and a directors' report under company law. The Trustees confirm that the Annual report and financial statements of the charitable company comply with the current statutory requirements, the requirements of the charitable company's governing document and the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2019).

Since the Trust qualifies as small under section 382 of the Companies Act 2006, the Strategic report required of medium and large companies under the Companies Act 2006 (Strategic Report and Directors' Report) Regulations 2013 has been omitted.

Objectives and activities

a. Policies and objectives

The Trust was founded in 1989 as a small, but lasting, tribute to the Italian people, especially those living in the countryside. Their courage and generosity helped thousands of Allied prisoners of war escape from their prison camps after the Armistice was signed with the Allies in 1943. Despite their poverty, risks of being shot and of their houses being burnt down by German soldiers, these Italians provided food, shelter and clothing to the escapee soldiers.

In recognition of, and gratitude for, all the sacrifices made by these Italian families, the Trust was established by the late Keith Killby and a number of other Second World War veterans to grant bursaries in Britain to young Italians, often direct descendants of, or connected with, those Italians who gave such help. They mainly come from the Emilia-Romagna, Tuscany, Abruzzi and Marche areas as these were the main areas where the prison camps were located. Each bursary typically covers four weeks study at language school and board and accommodation. The cost to the Charity is approximately £2,350 per student. In recognition of his services to Anglo-Italian relations through the Monte San Martino Trust, Keith Killby was awarded an OBE in 2001 and has also subsequently been honoured by the Italian President by being made a Cavaliere Ufficiale.

In June 2013, the Trustees decided to broaden the purposes of the Charity to include the education of the public about the experience of Allied prisoners of war in Italy and the bravery of those who helped them. The Trustees are empowered to commemorate all this in whatever way they think fit. This widening of the objects of the Charity was "codified" by a special resolution, passed on 24th June 2013.

This broadening of the purposes of the Charity reinforces the ultimate aim of the Trust, which is to ensure we never forget the experiences of the Allied prisoners of war and the sacrifices and risks taken by so many Italians for the Allied soldiers, which have never been adequately recognised at an official level; the object is also to keep alive a memory of true courage and humanity, by which our and future generations can be inspired.

If you wish to make a donation, or require any further information, please send an email for the attention of Miss Letitia Blake at info@msmstrust.org.uk or visit the Trust's website at msmtrust.org.uk.

In setting objectives and planning for activities, the Trustees have given due consideration to general guidance published by the Charity Commission relating to public benefit, including the guidance 'Public benefit: running a charity (PB2)'.

b. Main activities undertaken to further the Trust's purposes for the public benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers or duties. As students are provided with bursaries by the charity they can benefit irrespective of their own financial resources.

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Achievements and performance

a. Review of activities

From March to December 2020 activities requiring social contact were severely affected by the coronavirus pandemic but work continued in other areas. Indeed, the use of Zoom opened up new opportunities and also enabled trustees and officers to hold meetings.

Tenna Valley Freedom Trail: The pandemic caused the annual trail in the Tenna Valley, le Marche, which is co-hosted with the WW2 Escape Lines Memorial Society, to be cancelled. Work in conjunction with ELMS installing a Memorial Rock at the National Memorial Arboretum, honouring the Italians who sheltered prisoners of war, was held up by the pandemic.

Research: In keeping with the Trust's long-term strategy to focus on research into the Allied presence in Italy during the Second World War, negotiations over a joint project continued with the Istituto Nazionale Ferruccio Parri, based in Milan, which co-ordinates a network of over 50 historical institutes in Italy. A five-year collaboration agreement between the institute and MSMT had been signed in 2019. It was proposed that the institute create a new online portal entitled "Italy and The Allies 1939-1947", the first section of which was to focus on prisoners of war and would be co-funded at a budget of 50,000 euros. The contract was expected to be signed in early 2021.

The new portal was intended to complement the Trust's own digital archive, www.archives.msmtrust.org.uk, which stores memoirs of former PoWs and is accessible to the public. By December 2020 nearly 150 memoirs had been uploaded by the archive team and the site was attracting wide attention.

Discussions with the National Archives Research Center in Washington, DC, about digitalisation of documents there, were delayed by the pandemic.

Publications: After two years' work by volunteers, in September the Trust published Bugle Call to Freedom, a translation into English of L'Orizzonte del Campo by Marco Minardi, the story of the mass escape from Fontanellato PoW camp. Priced at £10, copies were sold through bookshops and Amazon. A Zoom webinar publicising the book was held in October, attracting nearly 100 attendees. The success of this Zoom webinar encouraged the Trust to plan further such presentations.

Early in 2020, Nick Young, the Trust chairman, was interviewed by Letitia Blake, Trust Secretary, at the National Army Museum about his book, Escaping with his Life, which had been published in 2019 and is about his own father, Leslie Young.

Annual newsletter: The annual 12-page newsletter was produced in June.

IT and technology: The profile of the Trust's main website, www.msmtrust.org.uk, and the Facebook page continued to grow. The Trust continued to employ George Mitchell as IT consultant and the IT firm, Bongo, to safeguard its database, websites and emailing.

Annual lunch: This was booked for November 2020 but, for the first time since the lunches were inaugurated, it could not be held due to the COVID19 pandemic.

Students: The programme of four-week English language study bursaries for young Italians was prevented from going ahead. 30 of the 32 students offered bursaries accepted the offer to take up their bursaries in 2021 should the pandemic permit. New applications were also received and, by the year-end, it was anticipated that 43 students might be welcomed in 2021, potentially the largest number to date.

Fund raising: in addition to other donations, Trust supporter Graham Jones raised £4,072 in July through a 72-hole golf marathon at Sudbury Golf Club. He had nominated MSMT as Captain's Charity for the year 2020.

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Achievements and performance (continued)

b. Investment policy and performance

The investment portfolio managed by Rathbones was valued at £2,873,939 as at 31st December 2020, which was the Trust's financial year end. The comparable figure for the previous year was £2,348,794. During the twelve months to December 2020, £375,000 was added to the portfolio for investment and £52,512 (£52,053 in 2019) was withdrawn to meet planned expenditure.

The increase in the value of the portfolio during the year was due largely to the receipt of the final tranche of the legacy received from the Estate of the late Keith Kilby, Monte San Martino's founder.

Rathbones reported that the total return on the Monte San Martino Trust's investments for the year to 31st December 2020 was 2.11% (2019 10%). Over the same period, the most relevant comparator indices, the MSCI PMFA Balanced index and ARC Charity Steady Growth Index were up 1.95% and 3.5% respectively. The primary investment objective continues to be capital growth, subject to a medium degree of risk, which is considered to be an appropriate approach to support the ongoing costs of the annual bursaries to the Italian students and of running the Trust. The portfolio strategy, as agreed with the Trustees, has recently been updated to fulfil the objectives of the charity within its tolerance for risk. A change in investment manager at Rathbones provided the opportunity for this updated strategy to be implemented, leading to a higher level of turnover than normal over the period (which impacted performance). The addition of the Keith Kilby legacy also contributed to the relatively high turnover in the portfolio.

Of the assets within the portfolio at 31st December 2020, 76.6% (2019 75.5%) was invested in Equities with 13.34% (2019 15.6%) in Alternatives, which are lower to medium risk, and 7.33% (2019 7.1%) in fixed interest and 2.77% (2019 1.8%) in cash. The Investment portfolio remains well diversified to counter the volatility and fluctuations in the markets.

The fund produced income of £53,045 in 2020, an income yield of approximately 2.0% based on a value of £2,873,939 on December 31st 2020. In the previous year, the fund produced an income of £46,690, which also represents a yield of 2.0%.

In addition to the investments and cash at Rathbones, the Trust had a bank cash balance of £59,327 (2019 £119,006).

The net assets of the Trust stand at £2,929,083 with Investments at Rathbones of £2,873,939 cash at bank of £58,677 and cash due from Rathbones of £651, debtors and accrued income of £480, less liabilities due of £4,663.

Financial review

a. Going concern

After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Trust has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the accounting policies.

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b. Reserves policy

Because they anticipate that fundraising will become increasingly difficult as the events of 1943 to 1945 become more distant, the Trustees' policy is to hold enough investments in the (expendable) Endowment Fund to generate a return sufficient to cover the Charity's running costs; and to retain a sufficient sum in the General Reserve to enable the charity to continue to operate, which is considered to be three months' expenditure. At the end of the previous year the General Reserve was below this level and the deficiency was made good during 2020 by transfers from the Endowment Fund. The market value of the Endowment Fund as at 31 December 2020 was £2,873,939 (2019 £2,348,794).

c. Financial Review

The Trust's total income for the year was £129,652 (2019 £870,059) including investment income of £53,045 and the balance of a legacy totalling £57,466, including a holding of £10,533 added to the Trust's endowed portfolio. Expenditure was £38,744 (2019 £124,630) of which the costs relating to bursaries to Italian students were £11,809 (2019 £75,182). The investment portfolio had unrealised gains and losses totaling a gain of £212,477 (2019 gains of £93,515) and realised losses of £55,697 (2019 gains of £58,785).

Structure, governance and management

a. Constitution

Monte San Martino Trust is registered as a charitable company limited by guarantee and was set up by a Memorandum of Association.

The Trust is constituted under a Memorandum of Association dated 26 October 2005, amended 12 October 2020, and is a registered charity number (1113897) in England and Wales. Prior to incorporation of the Charity, it was constituted by a Deed of Trust dated 18th September 1989, as amended on 15th April 1993 and bore the same name, Monte San Martino Trust. The then Trustees were advised to incorporate the Charity in order to mitigate the increasing risks faced by Trustees. The charity registered as a charitable company in England and Wales with the registered number 05604293.

b. Methods of appointment or election of Trustees

The management of the Trust is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Trust deed.

The company (hereinafter referred to as the Trust or Charity) is operated by its Trustees who meet periodically. New Trustees are recruited from among people who have an interest in furthering the aims of the Charity with a view to ensuring that all the necessary competencies are represented within the trustee body.

c. Organisational structure and decision-making policies

The Trustees discuss and make any necessary decisions during the period for the achievement of the charity's objectives, and the promotion of its work both in the UK and Italy.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)
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Structure, governance and management (continued)

d. Financial risk management

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the Trust is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the Trust, and are satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

a. The performance of investments. Risks are mitigated by retaining expert investment managers and maintaining a diversified investment portfolio. The Trustees and Rathbones continue to maintain a careful approach to investments with the aim to achieve long-term capital growth.

b. Safeguarding the students. The Trustees have in place a formal safeguarding policy. The students have to be at least 18 years of age when they come to the UK and any further risks are mitigated by having a selection of Meeters well-known to the officers of the Trust, who will report any misgivings to the Trustees and to whom the students can turn to if they have any misgivings. The two schools the students attend are both respectable and have pastoral care policies in place. The Trust maintains a public liability insurance policy which covers any possible claims by students as a result of their participation in the bursary programme.

Plans for future periods

The Trustees expect to continue to offer between 30 and 40 bursaries every year to Italian students.

The long term objective remains to increase the investment income to a level so that the recurrent investment income is more aligned to the running expenses of the Trust. Despite the receipt of the recent generous legacy, there remains a significant shortfall between the levels of investment income and of the recurring commitments of the Trust, so significant donations are required to avoid large calls being made on capital. It remains a concern of the Trustees that, as memories of the Second World War fade, it will be increasingly difficult to rely on regular donations to finance the future outgoings of the Charity.

The Monte San Martino Trust remains dependent on the goodwill and generosity of its supporters and the Trustees would like to take the opportunity of thanking them all.

It is worth reminding supporters that it is very easy to alter a Will to include the Charity as a beneficiary. Such a move is not only advantageous from the point of view of inheritance tax but can easily and economically be arranged by means of a codicil. If you need any further information, please contact Mr Christopher Woodhead, the Treasurer, at info@msmtrust.org.uk.

Funds held as custodian

The Charity did not hold any assets as a custodian.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)
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Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees (who are also the directors of the Trust for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial . Under company law, the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Trust and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, 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 of the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards (FRS 102) have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Trust will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Trust's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Trust and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Trust and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Sir Nicholas Young
(Chair of Trustees)
Date: 31 August 2021

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Monte San Martino Trust ('the Trust')

I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 December 2020.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the Trustees of the Trust (and its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Trust are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the 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 in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

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.

This report is made solely to the Trust's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Trust'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 Trust and the Trust's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

Signed:

Dr J Fletcher

Dated: 2 September 2021

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020**

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Endowment funds 2020 £	Total funds 2020 £	Total funds 2019 £
Income and endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	3	65,692	10,533	76,225	823,046
Other trading activities	4	382	-	382	323
Investments	5	53,045	-	53,045	46,690
		119,119	10,533	129,652	870,059
Total income and endowments					
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds:	6				
Investment management fees		-	17,168	17,168	13,888
Charitable activities	7	21,576	-	21,576	110,742
		21,576	17,168	38,744	124,630
Total expenditure					
Net income/(expenditure) before net gains on investments		97,543	(6,635)	90,908	745,429
Net gains on investments		-	156,780	156,780	152,300
		97,543	150,145	247,688	897,729
Net income		97,543	150,145	247,688	897,729
Transfers between funds	15	(375,000)	375,000	-	-
		(277,457)	525,145	247,688	897,729
Net movement in funds					
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		332,601	2,348,794	2,681,395	1,783,666
Net movement in funds		(277,457)	525,145	247,688	897,729
		55,144	2,873,939	2,929,083	2,681,395
Total funds carried forward					

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

The notes on pages 11 to 21 form part of these financial statements.

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REGISTERED NUMBER: 05604293

BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Note	2020 £	2019 £
Fixed assets			
Investments	11	2,873,939	2,348,794
		2,873,939	2,348,794
Current assets			
Debtors	12	479	215,646
Cash at bank and in hand		59,328	119,006
		59,807	334,652
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	13	(4,663)	(2,051)
		55,144	332,601
Net current assets		55,144	332,601
Total net assets		2,929,083	2,681,395
Charity funds			
Endowment funds	15	2,873,939	2,348,794
Unrestricted funds	15	55,144	332,601
		2,929,083	2,681,395
Total funds		2,929,083	2,681,395

The Trust was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of Companies Act 2006.

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and preparation of financial statements.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to entities subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Sir Nicholas Young

Date: 31 August 2021

The notes on pages 11 to 21 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

1. General information

Monte San Martino Trust is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated in England and Wales with the registered number 05604293, charity registered number 1113897. Its registered office is Crown Chambers, Bridge Street, Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP1 2LZ. In the event of the Trust being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £10 per member of the Trust. The members of the company are the Trustees named on page 1.

2. Accounting policies

2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006. 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 (FRS102) rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

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

2.2 Going concern

After making appropriate enquiries the Trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the Trust's ability to continue as a going concern.

2.3 Income

All income is recognised once the Trust has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

The recognition of income from legacies is dependent on establishing entitlement, the probability of receipt and the ability to estimate with sufficient accuracy the amount receivable. Evidence of entitlement to a legacy exists when the Trust has sufficient evidence that a gift has been left to them (through knowledge of the existence of a valid will and the death of the benefactor) and the executor is satisfied that the property in question will not be required to satisfy claims in the estate. Receipt of a legacy must be recognised when it is probable that it will be received and the fair value of the amount receivable, which will generally be the expected cash amount to be distributed to the Trust, can be reliably measured.

Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Income tax recoverable in relation to investment income is recognised at the time the investment income is receivable.

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2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.4 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

Expenditure on raising funds includes all expenditure incurred by the Trust to raise funds for its charitable purposes and includes costs of all fundraising activities events and non-charitable trading.

Expenditure on charitable activities is incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the Trust's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

Grants payable are charged in the year when the offer is made except in those cases where the offer is conditional, such grants being recognised as expenditure when the conditions attaching are fulfilled. Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end are noted as a commitment, but not accrued as expenditure.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

2.5 Investments

Fixed asset investments are a form of financial instrument and are initially recognised at their transaction cost and subsequently measured at fair value at the Balance sheet date, unless the value cannot be measured reliably in which case it is measured at cost less impairment. Investment gains and losses, whether realised or unrealised, are combined and presented as 'Gains/(Losses) on investments' in the Statement of financial activities.

2.6 Debtors

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

2.7 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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2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.8 Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the Trust anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation. Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised in the Statement of financial activities as a finance cost.

2.9 Financial instruments

The Trust only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are recognised at transaction value, except for investments which are measured at market value (fair value) as per the investment managers' portfolio, with changes recognised in the Statement of financial activities.

2.10 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Trust and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the Trust for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Investment income, gains and losses are allocated to the appropriate fund.

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3. Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Endowment funds 2020 £	Total funds 2020 £
Donations	18,759	-	18,759
Legacies	46,933	10,533	57,466
	<u>65,692</u>	<u>10,533</u>	<u>76,225</u>

	<i>Unrestricted funds 2019 £</i>	<i>Endowment funds 2019 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2019 £</i>
Donations	11,234	-	11,234
Legacies	322,500	489,312	811,812
	<u>333,734</u>	<u>489,312</u>	<u>823,046</u>

4. Income from other trading activities

Income from fundraising events

	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Total funds 2020 £	<i>Total funds 2019 £</i>
Sale of books	382	382	323
	<u>382</u>	<u>382</u>	<u>323</u>

5. Investment income

	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Total funds 2020 £
Income from local listed investments	43,090	43,090
Investment income - foreign listed investments	9,955	9,955
	<u>53,045</u>	<u>53,045</u>

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5. Investment income (continued)

	<i>Unrestricted funds 2019 £</i>	<i>Endowment funds 2019 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2019 £</i>
Income from local listed investments	32,997	147	33,144
Investment income - foreign listed investments	12,174	1,372	13,546
	<u>45,171</u>	<u>1,519</u>	<u>46,690</u>

6. Investment management costs

	<i>Endowment funds 2020 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2020 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2019 £</i>
Investment management fees	17,168	17,168	13,888

7. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

Summary by fund type

	<i>Unrestricted funds 2020 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2020 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2019 £</i>
Student bursaries	-	-	75,182
Student support costs	-	-	5,100
Donations to charitable causes	3,600	3,600	8,000
Digitalisation of archives	6,167	6,167	10,745
Support costs	11,809	11,809	11,715
Total 2020	<u>21,576</u>	<u>21,576</u>	<u>110,742</u>

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7. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities (continued)

Summary by fund type (continued)

In 2019, 32 bursaries were given at an average cost of £2,350 each to Italian students in the year. Due to the COVID19 pandemic no bursaries were given in 2020. It is hoped that there will be a larger number of bursaries given in 2021, providing the pandemic restrictions are eased. These bursaries are for English Language courses and are a way of promoting the memory of the Italians that helped escaped prisoners of war during World War II.

The donations to charitable causes were made to charities promoting the memory of all those who helped escaped prisoners of war.

Support costs consists of office administration £9,199 (2019 £9,481) and governance costs incurred, these being accountancy and independent examination fees (see note 8).

All expenditure in 2019 and 2020 were from general funds.

8. Independent examiner's remuneration

The independent examiner's remuneration amounts to an independent examiner fee of £396 (2019 - £378), and accountancy of £2,214 (2019 - £1,856).

9. Staff costs

The average employee headcount during the year was nil (2019 nil).

No employee received remuneration amounting to more than £60,000 in either year.

The Trust considers its key management personnel comprise the trustees. The total employment benefits of the key management personnel was £NIL (2019 £NIL). The total fees paid to the key management personnel was £NIL (2019 £NIL).

10. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits (2019 - £NIL).

During the year ended 31 December 2020, no Trustee expenses have been incurred (2019 - £NIL).

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11. Fixed asset investments

	Listed investments £	Cash held in portfolio £	Total £
Cost or valuation			
At 1 January 2020	2,306,178	42,616	2,348,794
Additions	824,225	36,880	861,105
Disposals	(548,437)	-	(548,437)
Revaluations	212,477	-	212,477
	2,794,443	79,496	2,873,939
	2,794,443	79,496	2,873,939
Net book value			
At 31 December 2020	2,794,443	79,496	2,873,939
	2,306,178	42,616	2,348,794
	2,306,178	42,616	2,348,794

Investments at market value comprise:

Listed investments of £2,794,443 (2019 £2,306,178); comprised of UK investments £2,192,904 (2019 £1,681,776) and Overseas investments of £601,539 (2019 £624,402).

Cash held of £79,496 (2019 £42,616).

12. Debtors

	2020 £	2019 £
Due within one year		
Other debtors	198	494
Prepayments and accrued income	281	152
Legacies receivable	-	215,000
	479	215,646
	479	215,646

13. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2020 £	2019 £
Accruals and deferred income	4,663	2,051
	4,663	2,051

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14. Financial instruments

	2020 £	2019 £
Financial assets		
Financial assets measured at fair value through income and expenditure	<u>2,873,939</u>	<u>2,348,794</u>

Financial assets measured at fair value through income and expenditure comprise investments held in a portfolio including cash held in Rathbones capital account.

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15. Statement of funds

Statement of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 January 2020 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 December 2020 £
Unrestricted funds						
General Funds	332,601	119,119	(21,576)	(375,000)	-	55,144
Endowment funds						
Revaluation reserve	251,344	-	-	-	228,337	479,681
Expendable reserves	2,097,450	10,533	(17,168)	375,000	(71,557)	2,394,258
	<u>2,348,794</u>	<u>10,533</u>	<u>(17,168)</u>	<u>375,000</u>	<u>156,780</u>	<u>2,873,939</u>
Total of funds	<u><u>2,681,395</u></u>	<u><u>129,652</u></u>	<u><u>(38,744)</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>156,780</u></u>	<u><u>2,929,083</u></u>

Statement of funds - prior year

	<i>Balance at 1 January 2019 £</i>	<i>Income £</i>	<i>Expenditure £</i>	<i>Transfers in/out £</i>	<i>Gains/ (Losses) £</i>	<i>Balance at 31 December 2019 £</i>
Unrestricted funds						
General Funds	12,062	379,228	(110,742)	52,053	-	332,601
Endowment funds						
Revaluation reserve	395,793	-	-	-	(144,449)	251,344
Expendable reserves	1,375,811	490,831	(13,888)	(52,053)	296,749	2,097,450
	<u>1,771,604</u>	<u>490,831</u>	<u>(13,888)</u>	<u>(52,053)</u>	<u>152,300</u>	<u>2,348,794</u>

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15. Statement of funds (continued)

Total of funds	1,783,666	870,059	(124,630)	-	152,300	2,681,395
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16. Summary of funds

Summary of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 January 2020 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 December 2020 £
General funds	332,601	119,119	(21,576)	(375,000)	-	55,144
Endowment funds	2,348,794	10,533	(17,168)	375,000	156,780	2,873,939
	2,681,395	129,652	(38,744)	-	156,780	2,929,083

Summary of funds - prior year

	Balance at 1 January 2019 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 December 2019 £
General funds	12,062	379,228	(110,742)	52,053	-	332,601
Endowment funds	1,771,604	490,831	(13,888)	(52,053)	152,300	2,348,794
	1,783,666	870,059	(124,630)	-	152,300	2,681,395

17. Analysis of net assets between funds

Analysis of net assets between funds - current period

	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Endowment funds 2020 £	Total funds 2020 £
Fixed asset investments	-	2,873,939	2,873,939
Current assets	59,807	-	59,807
Creditors due within one year	(4,663)	-	(4,663)
Total	55,144	2,873,939	2,929,083

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17. Analysis of net assets between funds (continued)

Analysis of net assets between funds - prior period

	<i>Unrestricted funds 2019 £</i>	<i>Endowment funds 2019 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2019 £</i>
Fixed asset investments	-	2,348,794	2,348,794
Current assets	334,652	-	334,652
Creditors due within one year	(2,051)	-	(2,051)
Total	<u>332,601</u>	<u>2,348,794</u>	<u>2,681,395</u>

18. Indemnity insurance

The Trust holds third party indemnity insurance to protect the Trustees and volunteers.

19. Volunteers

The Monte San Martino Trust normally has 21 volunteers who greet the Italian students as they arrive in the UK, either at the airport or a railway station, at the start of their four-week bursary at a language school. The volunteer accompanies the student to the homestay family's address. If a volunteer feels the student will benefit from further contact they will stay in touch with the student by phone or meet up. The students make their own way to the airport. However, in 2020 the Covid19 pandemic meant that no students took up the bursary in the year so the volunteers were not utilised during the year.

20. Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions during the year.