

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 5 April 2025
for
The Eric Kay Charitable Trust

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for the Year Ended 5 April 2025

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Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 5 April 2025

The Trustees have pleasure in presenting their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 5 April 2025.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The Eric Kay Charitable Trust was established by a Declaration of Trust dated 16 February 2007 as an unincorporated organisation. The registered charity number is 1118320.

The original endowment to the Charity was made by Mr Eric Kay. In September 2007, Mr Eric Kay passed away, and by his Will he left various properties to the Trustees of this Charity.

The trust deed requires a minimum of three Trustees. New Trustees are appointed by a resolution of the existing Trustees at a special meeting.

New Trustees receive information on the obligations of holding office and training and development activities are offered as required.

The Trustees are legally responsible for the overall management and control of the Charity, and meetings of the Trustees are held during the year at regular intervals.

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

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The objects of the Charity as set out in the Trust Deed are:

"The Trustees shall hold the Trust Fund and its income upon trust to pay or apply such income and the whole or any part of the Trust Fund at such time or times as the Trustees in their absolute discretion shall think fit to, or for the charitable purposes of such Bodies, Associations, or Organisations as shall at the date of payment or application be established for charitable purposes only according to the law of England and Wales (such Bodies, Associations or Organisations being hereinafter defined as the "Charities") and whose principal objects shall be:

- a) the relief of sickness of children and young people with terminal or life-limiting illness.
- b) the relief of need, hardship, and distress of the families of those young people and children.
- c) the relief of financial hardship, sickness and poor health amongst elderly and vulnerable people and people suffering from terminal or chronic sickness and disability.
- d) to pay or apply the same to or for the charitable purposes for such other Charities or to pay or apply the same for such other objects as shall be charitable in accordance with the law of England and Wales, as the Trustees shall think fit upon such conditions (if any) and in such manner in all respects as the Trustees in their absolute discretion think fit provided always that nothing shall authorise any payment or application of any part of the capital or income of the Trust Fund to or for any purposes or objects not being exclusively charitable.

Significant activities

The main activity undertaken in achieving the above objects is the donation of funds to appropriate charitable organisations.

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for the Year Ended 5 April 2025

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Grantmaking

The Trustees will meet at least twice a year, on a formal basis, to discuss how they want to further the Objects of the Charity by means of making grants available to such charitable objects or bodies as they consider appropriate.

The Trustees will consider the following (although this is not an exhaustive list) when deciding on what basis a grant will be made available to an individual or organisation:

- The type of organisation who is applying for the grant;
- Whether a grant or other funds have already been made available to this organisation, either in the current year or previously;
- How any grant is to be spent;
- The objects of the organisation who wishes to be in receipt of a grant;
- What other grants the Trustees have made in the current year and the objects of the recipients of those grants;
- The other sources of income the organisation receives and the amount of funding from other sources;
- Any other information which is made available to the Trustees or which the Trustees consider relevant.

The Trustees have so far supported charities whose principal objectives are:

- The relief of sick children and young people with terminal, life-limiting illness.
- The relief of need, hardship and distress of the families of those young people and children.
- A variety of cancer hospices, as well as other cancer charities.
- The relief of financial hardship, sickness and poor health amongst the elderly, vulnerable people and people suffering from terminal or chronic sickness and disability.
- Other charities, such as emergency response and rescue charities.

They expect to continue supporting such charities, as well as others.

Public benefit

The Charity has made donations during the year to various charitable organisations which support those in need. In particular, the Trust made substantial donations to Bowdon RUFC Mixed Ability Team which gives disabled children access to Rugby, Children's Adventure Farm, Prospero World, Friends of Springwood and various other charities.

The Trustees of the Eric Kay Charitable Trust believe they have complied with the duties in section 17 (5) of the Charities Act and the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, to have due regard to the public benefit when exercising any powers or duties.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Investment performance

The total resources of the Charity have reduced to £786,748 during the year. The Trustees have identified some principal charities which they wish to continue supporting for the coming year whose aims are in line with the charity objectives.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

The Trustees wish to preserve the current level of reserves, to invest in various stocks and shares. The income generated from these investments, will be distributed to the charitable organisations the Trustees decide to support.

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Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 5 April 2025

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Investment policy and objectives

Close Asset Management Limited, of 10 Crown Place, London, EC2A 4FT acts on a discretionary basis as the Charity's investment manager.

The aim of the investment portfolio is to provide an above average income yield at the outset, whilst also allowing the opportunity for some capital growth, as well as growth in the income receivable in the years ahead. The Trustees recognise that if no capital growth or growth in income is achieved then inflation may gradually erode both the capital value as well as the income distributed to Charities in real terms in the years ahead.

The Trustees recognise the risk associated in investment in mainstream financial markets and accept this risk in return for the prospect of additional returns over longer periods of time. The Trustees wish to invest on a lower risk basis.

The investment manager is required to avoid exposure to investments which are deemed to be unsuitable in the context of the Trustees' objectives when considering the portfolio as a whole. The investment manager is also to have regard to the standard investment criteria and need for diversification.

During the year the asset allocation was as follows:

Fixed Interest Securities	28%	Range 20-30%
UK Equities	40%	Range 37-47%
Overseas Equities	31%	Range 18-28%
Alternatives	0%	Range 0-5%
Cash	1%	Range 0-5%

The asset allocation will continue to be reviewed by the Trustees in conjunction with Close Asset Management Limited on an annual basis, to ensure the investment strategy remains appropriate. Due to the current volatility in the financial markets, the cash asset weighting has remained at 3%.

Performance will be measured against the following indices:

FTSE Government All Stock Index
FTSE All Share Index
FTSE World Index
FTSE WMA Income Index
FTSE WMA Balanced Index
FTSE WMA Growth Index

The investment manager will provide half-yearly reports, which will include a statement confirming adherence to the Policy Statement or providing details of exceptions. The report will also include a comparison of the portfolio return in relation to the benchmark above. Major deviations will be examined and explained. The investment manager will also provide details of all management and administration charges paid out of Trust assets during the relevant period.

The Trustees will inform the investment manager of any relevant changes to the Trust objectives, and of any other developments that result in a required change to this document.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The policy is to continue to invest the capital and distribute the income gained.

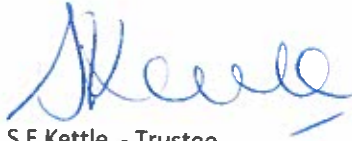
The Trustees are intending to adopt a cautious policy given the way the financial markets have performed in the last few years. They have consulted with their advisers Close Asset Management Limited to produce the appropriate policy. A discretionary service is offered by Close Asset Management Limited in this regard with the investment objective being balanced and level of risk, low.

The Trustees have no plans at present to expend large amounts of capital.

The Eric Kay Charitable Trust

Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 5 April 2025

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 26 November 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

X 

Mrs S E Kettle - Trustee

The Eric Kay Charitable Trust

Statement of Trustees Responsibilities
for the Year Ended 5 April 2025

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

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales, the Charities Act 2011, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
The Eric Kay Charitable Trust

I report on the financial statements for the year ended 5 April 2025, which are set out on pages eight to fourteen.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I have examined your charity's financial statements as required under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 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.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. that accounting records were not kept as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. that the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. that the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements concerning the form and content of financial statements set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the financial statements give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. that there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the financial statements.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

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26 November 2025

The Eric Kay Charitable Trust

Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 5 April 2025

		5.4.25 Unrestricted fund £	5.4.24 Total funds £
INCOMING RESOURCES	Notes		
Incoming resources from generated funds			
Investment income	2	27,877	28,356
RESOURCES EXPENDED			
Costs of generating funds			
Costs of generating voluntary income		4,847	6,633
Investment management costs	3	<u>7,494</u>	<u>6,974</u>
		12,341	13,607
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources available for charitable application		15,536	14,749
Charitable activities			
Grants to institutions		23,757	22,387
Postage and stationery		49	11
Trustee travel expenses		1,944	1,064
Accountancy		3,360	3,300
Independent examiner's fee		1,380	1,320
Telephone		600	550
Legal fees		2,130	900
Bank charges		25	-
Sundry expenses		<u>150</u>	<u>48</u>
Total resources expended		45,736	43,187
NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES		(17,859)	(14,831)
Realised gains/(losses) on revaluation of investments		<u>(19,755)</u>	<u>43,827</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		(37,614)	28,996
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		824,362	795,366
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>786,748</u>	<u>824,362</u>
CONTINUING OPERATIONS			
All incoming resources and resources expended arise from continuing activities.			

The notes form part of these financial statements

The Eric Kay Charitable Trust

Balance Sheet
At 5 April 2025

		5.4.25 Unrestricted fund £	5.4.24 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS	Notes		
Tangible assets	5	295	667
Investments	6	<u>780,125</u>	<u>806,685</u>
		780,420	807,352
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at bank		13,868	24,430
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	7	(7,540)	(7,420)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>6,328</u>	<u>17,010</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		786,748	824,362
NET ASSETS		<u>786,748</u>	<u>824,362</u>
FUNDS	8		
Unrestricted funds		<u>786,748</u>	<u>824,362</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>786,748</u>	<u>824,362</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 26 November 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

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Mrs S E Kettle -Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

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Notes to the Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 5 April 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basic of preparing the 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 financial statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011.

The Eric Kay Charitable Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, with the exception of investments, which are included at market value, as modified by the revaluation of certain assets.

The financial statements have been prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the Charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

Changes in accounting policies

There has been no change to the accounting policies (valuation rules and methods of accounting) since last year.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the Charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Resources expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

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

Charitable activities

During the year the Trust made donations totalling £10,000 to Bowdon RUFC Mixed Ability Team, £2,200 to Children's Adventure Park and £2,500 to Prospero World.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its estimated useful life.

Fixtures and equipment	- 25% on cost
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Taxation

The Charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees. Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the Charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes. Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Going concern

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 5 April 2025

2. INVESTMENT INCOME

	5.4.25	5.4.24
	£	£
Dividends and distributions	16,125	17,508
Interest receivable	<u>11,752</u>	<u>10,848</u>
	<u>27,877</u>	<u>28,356</u>

3. INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT COSTS

	5.4.25	5.4.24
	£	£
Portfolio management	<u>7,494</u>	<u>6,974</u>

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 5 April 2025 nor for the year ended 5 April 2024.

Trustees' expenses

Expenses in respect of travelling costs amounting to £1,944 (2024 £1,064) were reimbursed to one of the trustees (2024 - one trustee).

5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures and equipment £
COST	
At 6 April 2024 and 5 April 2025	<u>4,698</u>
DEPRECIATION	
At 6 April 2025	4,031
Charge for year	<u>372</u>
At 5 April 2024	<u>4,403</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 5 April 2025	<u>295</u>
At 5 April 2024	<u>667</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 5 April 2025

6. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Listed investments £
MARKET VALUE	
At 6 April 2024	806,685
Additions	120,640
Disposals	(127,445)
Revaluations	<u>(19,755)</u>
At 5 April 2025	<u>780,125</u>
 NET BOOK VALUE	
At 5 April 2025	<u>780,125</u>
At 5 April 2024	<u>806,685</u>

UK investments held were valued at £522,935 as at 5 April 2025 and overseas investments held were valued at £268,164.

Significant investments held are as follows:

Investment Held	Market Value £
Aviva Investors UK SVCS Ltd (Quantity 38,000)	57,186
Royal London Sustnbl leaders Tst C (Quantity 21,966)	55,991
J O Hambro (Quantity 30,005)	56,799
Armetis Income (Quantity 15,000)	42,462
HSBC FTSE 100 ETF (Quantity 779)	62,464

All fixed asset investments are either listed on a recognised stock exchange or are held in a common investment fund, open ended investment company, unit trust or other collective investment scheme. All investment income is derived from these investments.

7. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	5.4.25 £	5.4.24 £
Other creditors	<u>7540</u>	<u>7,420</u>

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 6.4.24 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5.4.25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	824,362	(37,614)	786,748
 TOTAL FUNDS	<u>824,362</u>	<u>(37,614)</u>	<u>786,748</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	27,877	(45,735)	(19,755)	(37,614)
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>27,877</u>	<u>(45,735)</u>	<u>(19,755)</u>	<u>(37,614)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 6.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5.4.24 £
Unrestricted Funds			
General fund	795,366	(28,996)	824,362
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>795,366</u>	<u>(28,996)</u>	<u>824,362</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	28,356	(43,187)	43,827	(28,996)
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>28,356</u>	<u>(43,187)</u>	<u>43,827</u>	<u>(28,996)</u>

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

	At 6.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5.4.25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	795,366	(8,618)	786,748
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TOTAL FUNDS	<u>795,366</u>	<u>(8,618)</u>	<u>786,748</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	<u>56,233</u>	<u>(88,923)</u>	<u>24,072</u>	<u>(8,618)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u><u>56,233</u></u>	<u><u>(88,923)</u></u>	<u><u>24,072</u></u>	<u><u>(8,618)</u></u>

9. ULTIMATE CONTROLLING PARTY

There is no ultimate controlling party.

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 5 April 2025

	5.4.25 £	5.4.24 £
INCOMING RESOURCES		
Investment income		
Dividends and distributions	16,125	17,508
Interest receivable	<u>11,752</u>	<u>10,848</u>
	<u>27,877</u>	<u>28,356</u>
Total incoming resources	27,877	28,356
RESOURCES EXPENDED		
Costs of generating voluntary income		
Depn of fixtures & equipment	372	372
Loss on sale of investments	<u>4,475</u>	<u>6,261</u>
	4,847	6,633
Investment management costs		
Portfolio management	7494	6,974
Charitable activities		
Telephone	600	550
Postage and stationery	49	11
Sundry expenses	150	48
Trustee travel expenses	1,944	1,064
Accountancy	3,360	3,300
Independent examiner's fee	1,380	1,320
Legal fees	2,130	900
Grants to institutions	<u>23,757</u>	<u>22,387</u>
	33,370	29,580
Support costs		
Finance		
Bank charges	<u>25</u>	<u>-</u>
Total resources expended	45,736	43,187
Net expenditure before gains and losses	(17,859)	(14,831)
Realised recognised gains and losses		
Realised gains/(losses) on revaluation of investments	(19,755)	(43,827)
Net income/(expenditure)	<u>(37,614)</u>	<u>(28,996)</u>

This page does not form part of the statutory financial statements