

**Charity registration number 1121739**

**Company registration number 06428200 (England and Wales)**

**BALLINGER CHARITABLE TRUST**  
**ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

# BALLINGER CHARITABLE TRUST

## LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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<b>Trustees</b>	Mrs D Ballinger Mrs N Crowther Mr A Ballinger Mr J Flynn
<b>Secretary</b>	Ms J L Thomas
<b>Charity number</b>	1121739
<b>Company number</b>	06428200
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# **BALLINGER CHARITABLE TRUST**

## **TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

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The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charitable company's governing document, the Companies Act 2006 and "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)".

### **Objectives and activities**

We grant money to charitable causes according to the priorities we have chosen to support. The money comes from income generated by the investments held by the charitable company. In making decisions about which causes to support we are guided by the requirements of the Charity Commission to further public benefit.

Prior to the Covid pandemic, we would invite applications for grants either below or over £5,000 via our website [ballingercharitabletrust.org.uk](http://ballingercharitabletrust.org.uk). Since the outset of the Covid pandemic, we have experienced reduced income from our asset portfolio. We have prioritised our existing multi-year grantees using our cash reserves and utilising a loan facility arranged with our delegated investment managers UBS Wealth Management Ltd ("UBS") up to a maximum of £1.5m, whilst offering flexibility on use of funding and extending the period for expenditure to all grantees. Most of our grantees with multi-year grants expiring in 2021 have received the offer of a continuation grant for an additional 12-month period. In the past two years, many grantees have requested deferrals of grant payments, as they were able to access short-term Covid support grants, made available by the UK Government and distributed by other funders such as the National Lottery Community Fund.

In a meeting of the Trustees in October 2021, it was agreed that we would cease to offer continuation grants to those grantees with expiring grants, but that we would provide our grantees with 12-months' notice of this such that it was not put in to effect until October 2022. We took this decision to be able to stay within the limits of the UBS loan facility, described below, in the face of economic uncertainty.

Our online application system has been paused since April 2020. Our average grant is currently £15,000, with the highest grant being awarded in a single year £600,000 and lowest £250.

Our working team of Trustees Andrew and John, supported by our Trust Co-ordinator, Joanne, visit prospective and current grant holders as part of due diligence and monitoring. We encourage grantees to set the parameters for use of grant; most now select either unrestricted funding or funding for core running costs. For grants over £5,000, we scrutinise due diligence material in quarterly Trustee Meetings attended by all Trustees and our Trust Co-ordinator, and for project specific grants we request a brief proposal and budget aligned to the intended project expenditure.



# BALLINGER CHARITABLE TRUST

## TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)(INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

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#### Achievements and performance

In the last year, we continued to focus our grants on supporting children, young people and older people, particularly those with dementia and their carers. We also continued our non-grant making work to:

- help charities collaborate successfully to access funding
- connect with other funders, both to reduce multiple applications by charities to multiple funders and to bring new funders to the attention of local charities
- identify where governance and management changes can enable people to realise their ambitions for their charity

We continued with a number of small ("micro") grants we make to community group grantees who are delivering very localised support to their communities. We do so by continuing to work with local councils, councillors and civil society infrastructure organisations to identify community groups to support.

In the period, we have also agreed to receive £110,000 from another funder, Lankelly Chase, as part of a collaboration of 3 funders working on a participatory grant-making project with the community of Teams in the borough of Gateshead. We have designated £15,000 to the same project. The combined funds will be distributed to the community through 2022 and beyond, as opportunities are identified by the Teams community for expenditure. The National Lottery Community Fund has also made a grant to support the facilitation costs of the project and this grant is being distributed separately.

Following discussion with the National Lottery Community Fund ("NLCF") across 2021, the Trust was successful in applying for a £400,000 Reaching Communities grant from NLCF in late December 2021 for a project entitled 'Northumberland Direct Delivery Youth Partnership'. The money is to be distributed by the Trust as a series of one-off, maximum 12-month long commissions with partner organisations who deliver to children and young people in Northumberland, starting in Summer 2022. Distribution of funds is to be completed by end of January 2023 with all funds expended by our partners by end of January 2024. The grant will be received from NLCF in 4 equal instalments, across 4 successive quarters, commencing 1 April 2022.

Our priorities remain the same across all our work. Through the year we made grants totalling £1,521,706 (2020: £1,637,462) from income of £699,745 (2020: £2,183,491 ). Due to the reduced income from our assets, we utilised our available cash reserves. In the light of low interest rates at the time and the decreased asset value of the charitable company, the Trustees utilised a loan facility with our investment managers UBS of £1,500,000, secured against the assets of the charitable company. The facility was arranged in 2020 but the loan was not utilised until June 2021 with a maximum drawdown of £214,304 in October 2021. At year end following the sale of assets there was a small positive balance in the loan account.

Our grant-making and non-grant-making work has been well supported by our Trust Co-ordinator Joanne.

In the post balance period, our asset portfolio continues to receive reduced income levels compared with the period pre-Covid pandemic and, the loan has been well within the limits agreed with UBS.

# BALLINGER CHARITABLE TRUST

## TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)(INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

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#### Financial review

Free reserves, which are funds available to the charitable company, stand at £27,585,784 (2020: £29,830,436), equivalent to the total income funds less designated funds, restricted funds and tangible assets set out in the balance sheet.

Investments between balance sheet dates have decreased in value this year from £30,773,219 to £28,251,302, reflecting the impact of the recovery from the Covid pandemic on stock market valuations in 2021.

During 2021, the holding of Go Ahead Group plc shares was increased, but the overall value decreased from 2020. There has been no dividend payment by Go Ahead Group since November 2019, due to UK Government's support of the bus and rail industry through the period of the pandemic and beyond, and the company's preference to retain cash through the pandemic period, and dividends were not reinstated through 2021. Trading in shares of the Go Ahead Group was notified to the London Stock Exchange on 9 December 2021 as likely to be suspended from trading on 4 January 2022. This was in relation to Deloitte, the company's auditor, not being able to complete the audit of the company's full results for year ending 31 July 2021 by 3 January 2022, the latest date permitted for the results to be published by UK regulators. The shares were duly suspended on 4 January 2022 and returned to trading on 24 February 2022, following completion of the audit by Deloitte and publication of the full results for year ending 31 July 2021. In August 2022, shareholders of Go-Ahead Group voted to sell its shares, accepting an offer from a consortium bidder of £14.50 per share, plus a special dividend of £1 per share. The sale is expected to be sanctioned at a court hearing on 6th October 2022 with proceeds of the sale expected to be received around 24th October 2022.

The remainder of portfolio under management by UBS increased in value but decreased marginally in yield. UBS and we, the Trustees, have agreed an appropriate risk profile for the investments managed by UBS on our behalf. We keep investments under review with regular discussion with UBS and UBS benchmark investment portfolio performance.

The majority of the income donations to the charitable company are in the form of stock and totalled £269,997 (2020: £1,720,075). The stock is being donated over a finite period. The charitable company's reserve policy is to seek to establish a sound capital base to allow on-going investment income to grow. We intend that investment income alone will meet future expenditure requirements of the charitable company.

We assess major risks for the charitable company and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks. The two major risks are firstly that investments fall significantly in value, which is mitigated by our relationship with UBS, and secondly that grantees, charities who receive grants from us, misuse the funds provided. We minimise the latter risk by assessing charities prior to making larger donations and subsequent monitoring through the donation period using written reports and in-person visits.

We expect to meet all designated funding commitments in the coming year and to continue to support charities to complete projects, which fulfil our priorities. There are no uncertainties at the year-end regarding going concern.

We expect to continue the above work streams, which we manage through the working team, our website and the pattern of Trustee decision-making currently in operation.

At any one time, we have a number of multi-year grants for which we set aside funds - designated funds. Information on these grants can be found at note 16 to the accounts.



# BALLINGER CHARITABLE TRUST

## TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)(INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

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### Structure, governance and management

In 1994, Martin Ballinger set up a charitable foundation, The Ballinger Charitable Trust, using part of his shares and dividend income from Go-Ahead Group plc, which he had co-founded in 1987 as Go Ahead Northern Limited, following the privatisation of the Northern Bus Company. The principal aims of the new foundation were to benefit the young and the old in the North East of England, the home territory of both Martin Ballinger and Go Ahead Northern Limited. Martin Ballinger's bequest of Go Ahead Group plc shares in 2007 increased the capital of the foundation and has enabled us to make £21,373,315 of grants since that date. That same year the foundation changed constitution to become a company limited by guarantee and Trustees became Directors of the company, governed by Company Law.

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and is therefore governed by a memorandum and articles of association. The memorandum and articles of association govern eligibility for membership of the charity and membership of the Board of Trustees. There are no restrictions in the governing document on the operation of the charity or on its investment powers other than those imposed by general charity law. None of the Trustees has any beneficial interest in the company. All Trustees are members of the company and guarantee to contribute £1 in the event of a winding up.

The organisation is governed by a Board of Directors, which consists of nominated members.

The directors are responsible for the management and control of The Ballinger Charitable Trust and the overall direction of its work. Those who served during the year were:

Mrs D Ballinger  
Mrs N Crowther  
Mr A Ballinger  
Mr J Flynn

The directors are still referred to in their day to day work as trustees. No trustee recruitment is currently taking place and we are not expecting to appoint new trustees.

### Auditor

In accordance with the company's articles, a resolution proposing that Azets Audit Services (formerly Rowlands Accountants) be reappointed as auditor of the company will be put at a General Meeting. The report of the directors has been prepared taking advantage of the small companies exemption of section 415A of the Companies Act 2006.

### Disclosure of information to auditor

Each of the trustees has confirmed that there is no information of which they are aware which is relevant to the audit, but of which the auditor is unaware. They have further confirmed that they have taken appropriate steps to identify such relevant information and to establish that the auditor is aware of such information.

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.



Mrs D Ballinger

Trustee

Dated: 25-9-2022.

# **BALLINGER CHARITABLE TRUST**

## **STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES**

***FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021***

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The trustees, who are also the directors of Ballinger Charitable Trust for the purpose of company law, are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the accounts in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company Law requires the trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that year.

In preparing these accounts, the trustees are required to:

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

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

# BALLINGER CHARITABLE TRUST

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

### TO THE TRUSTEES OF BALLINGER CHARITABLE TRUST

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#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Ballinger Charitable Trust (the 'charitable company') for the year ended 31 December 2021 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet, the statement of cash flows and notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland* (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 December 2021 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

#### Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements* section of our report. We are independent of the charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

#### Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.



# **BALLINGER CHARITABLE TRUST**

## **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)**

### **TO THE TRUSTEES OF BALLINGER CHARITABLE TRUST**

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#### **Matters on which we are required to report by exception**

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 require us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the financial statements is inconsistent in any material respect with the trustees' report; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

#### **Responsibilities of trustees**

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities, the trustees, who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purpose of company law, are responsible for the preparation of the accounts and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of accounts that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the accounts, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### **Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements**

We have been appointed as auditor under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

A further description of our responsibilities is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: <https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

# BALLINGER CHARITABLE TRUST

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

### TO THE TRUSTEES OF BALLINGER CHARITABLE TRUST

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#### **Extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud**

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above and on the Financial Reporting Council's website, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud.

We obtain and update our understanding of the entity, its activities, its control environment, and likely future developments, including in relation to the legal and regulatory framework applicable and how the entity is complying with that framework. Based on this understanding, we identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. This includes consideration of the risk of acts by the entity that were contrary to applicable laws and regulations, including fraud.

In response to the risk of irregularities and non-compliance with laws and regulations, including fraud, we designed procedures which included:

- Enquiry of management and those charged with governance around actual and potential litigation and claims as well as actual, suspected and alleged fraud;
- Reviewing minutes of meetings of those charged with governance;
- Assessing the extent of compliance with the laws and regulations considered to have a direct material effect on the financial statements or the operations of the entity through enquiry and inspection;
- Reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- Performing audit work over the risk of management bias and override of controls, including testing of journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness, evaluating the business rationale of significant transactions outside the normal course of business and reviewing accounting estimates for indicators of potential bias.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with section 391 of the Companies Act 2014. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

**Azets Audit Services**

**Chartered Accountants  
Statutory Auditor**



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# **BALLINGER CHARITABLE TRUST**

## **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)**

### **TO THE TRUSTEES OF BALLINGER CHARITABLE TRUST**

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Azets Audit Services is eligible for appointment as auditor of the charitable company by virtue of its eligibility for appointment as auditor of a company under section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

# BALLINGER CHARITABLE TRUST

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Total Unrestricted funds 2021 £	2020 £
<b><u>Income and endowments from:</u></b>					
Donations and legacies	2	269,997	510,000	779,997	1,720,075
Investments	3	429,740	-	429,740	438,416
Other income	4	8	-	8	25,000
<b>Total income</b>		<b>699,745</b>	<b>510,000</b>	<b>1,209,745</b>	<b>2,183,491</b>
<b><u>Expenditure on:</u></b>					
Raising funds	5	105,180	-	105,180	23,910
Charitable activities	6	1,576,913	-	1,576,913	1,689,427
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<b>1,682,093</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,682,093</b>	<b>1,713,337</b>
Net gains/(losses) on investments	9	(2,051,174)	-	(2,051,174)	(12,008,550)
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<b>(3,033,522)</b>	<b>510,000</b>	<b>(2,523,522)</b>	<b>(11,538,396)</b>
Fund balances at 1 January 2021		31,321,236	-	31,321,236	42,859,632
<b>Fund balances at 31 December 2021</b>		<b>28,287,714</b>	<b>510,000</b>	<b>28,797,714</b>	<b>31,321,236</b>

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

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

# BALLINGER CHARITABLE TRUST

## BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Notes	2021 £	£	2020 £	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible assets	11		1,365		1,709
Investments	12		28,251,302		30,773,219
			<u>28,252,667</u>		<u>30,774,928</u>
<b>Current assets</b>					
Debtors	13	436,948		47,826	
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>122,242</u>		<u>510,422</u>	
		559,190		558,248	
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	14	<u>(14,143)</u>		<u>(11,940)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>545,047</u>		<u>546,308</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			<u>28,797,714</u>		<u>31,321,236</u>
<b>Income funds</b>					
Restricted funds	15		510,000		-
<u>Unrestricted funds</u>					
Designated funds	16	700,565		1,489,091	
General unrestricted funds		<u>27,587,149</u>		<u>29,832,145</u>	
			<u>28,287,714</u>		<u>31,321,236</u>
			<u>28,797,714</u>		<u>31,321,236</u>

# **BALLINGER CHARITABLE TRUST**

## **BALANCE SHEET (CONTINUED)**

**AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021**

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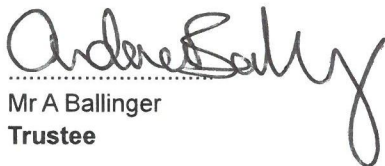
The company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 31 December 2021, although an audit has been carried out under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011.

The trustees are responsible for ensuring that the charity keeps accounting records which comply with section 386 of the Act and for preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year. They are also responsible for its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395, and for compliance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to accounts, so far as applicable.

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

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

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 25/9/22

  
Mr A Ballinger  
Trustee

Company registration number 06428200

# BALLINGER CHARITABLE TRUST

## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Notes	2021 £	£	2020 £	£
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>					
Cash (absorbed by)/generated from operations	20		(1,288,663)		14,835
<b>Investing activities</b>					
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		-		(265)	
Purchase of investments		(5,938,642)		(11,043,446)	
Proceeds on disposal of investments		6,409,385		9,448,432	
Investment income received		429,740		438,416	
<b>Net cash generated from/(used in) investing activities</b>			900,483		(1,156,863)
<b>Net cash used in financing activities</b>			-		-
<b>Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents</b>			(388,180)		(1,142,028)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year			510,422		1,652,450
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at end of year</b>			122,242		510,422

# BALLINGER CHARITABLE TRUST

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

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### 1 Accounting policies

#### Company information

Ballinger Charitable Trust is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is Bede House, Belmont Business Park, DURHAM, DH1 1TW, United Kingdom.

#### 1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charitable company's governing document, the Companies Act 2006, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") and the Charities SORP "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 charitable company is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

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

Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

#### 1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charitable company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

#### 1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Designated funds comprise funds which have been set aside at the discretion of the trustees for specific purposes. The purposes and uses of the designated funds are set out in the notes to the accounts.

#### 1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the charitable company is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charitable company has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charitable company has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.



# BALLINGER CHARITABLE TRUST

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

#### 1.5 Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Grants payable are payments made to third parties in the furtherance of the charitable objectives of the Trust. In the case of an unconditional grant offer this is accrued once the recipient has been notified of the grant award. Grant awards that are subject to the recipient fulfilling performance conditions are only accrued when the recipient has been notified of the grant and any remaining unfulfilled conditions attaching to that grant are outside of the control of the Trust.

Provisions for grants are made when the intention to make a grant has been communicated to the recipient but there is uncertainty as to the timing of the grant or the amount of grant payable.

A provision for a multi-year grant is recognised at its present value where settlement is due over more than one year from the date of the award, there are no unfulfilled performance conditions under the control of the Trust that would permit the Trust to avoid making the future payment(s), settlement is probable, and the effect of discounting is material. The discount rate used is the rate offered on government bonds (gilts) for a commensurate or similar time period offered in the year in which the grant award is made.

#### 1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Fixtures, fittings & equipment	20% reducing balance
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The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

#### 1.7 Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments are stated at market value as at the balance sheet date. The statement of financial activities includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluation and disposals throughout the year. Disposals of investments are treated on a FIFO basis.

Dividends are included in the income and expenditure account when they are declared. Bank interest is included in the income and expenditure account on a receivable basis.

#### 1.8 Debtors

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

#### 1.9 Creditors and provisions

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.



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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

### 2 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£
Donations and gifts	269,997	510,000	779,997	1,720,075
	<u>269,997</u>	<u>510,000</u>	<u>779,997</u>	<u>1,720,075</u>

### 3 Investments

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2021 £	2020 £
Income from listed investments	429,646	436,401
Interest receivable	94	2,015
	<u>429,740</u>	<u>438,416</u>

### 4 Other income

	Unrestricted funds	Total
	2021 £	2020 £
Gift Aid income	8	25,000
	<u>8</u>	<u>25,000</u>

### 5 Raising funds

	2021 £	2020 £
Investment management	105,180	23,910
	<u>105,180</u>	<u>23,910</u>

The investment management company changed their method of charging fees in the year so the trust is now charged a direct fee on the sale and purchase of shares as opposed to offsetting the fee against the proceeds or cost.

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

### 6 Charitable activities

	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Staff costs	18,683	18,515
Depreciation and impairment	342	427
Website	971	970
Postage	387	771
Travel	201	338
Consultancy	24,000	24,000
Sundries	1,677	1,142
Bank charges	747	30
Phone	519	492
Audit fees	7,680	5,280
	<u>55,207</u>	<u>51,965</u>
Grants made to institutions	1,521,706	1,637,462
	<u>1,576,913</u>	<u>1,689,427</u>

### 7 Grants payable

Grants were made during the year to institutions, of which the following exceeded £20,000 per annum:

	2021 £	2020 £
Age UK North Tyneside	-	90,000
Coatham House	20,000	20,000
Community Campus	20,000	20,000
Cowpen Quay Community Association	20,000	-
Cramlington Voluntary Youth Programme 2	20,000	-
Dementia Matters	-	95,000
First Stop Darlington	-	20,000
Hartlepool NDC Trust	-	20,000
Kinship	20,000	-
Neighbourhood Youth Projects	166,300	-
Save the Children (Wallsend Children's Community)	83,333	83,333
Save the Children (Wallsend Children's Community)	-	27,970
Silverline Memories CIO	20,000	20,000
Streetwise	-	25,000
Sunderland All Together Consortium	80,000	80,000
	<u>449,633</u>	<u>501,303</u>

A further 100 smaller grants were made averaging approximately £10,500 each to other local charities.

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

### 8 Trustees

John Flynn received £24,000 (2020: £24,000) from the charity in lieu of lost income for his time spent on work for the charity during the year, and was also reimbursed £201.24 for travel expenses incurred (2020 - £301.32). The trustees believe this sum is a worthwhile cost due to the value of expertise Mr Flynn provides to the charity.

### 9 Net gains/(losses) on investments

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2021	2020
	£	£
Revaluation of investments	(2,327,495)	(11,523,411)
Gain/(loss) on sale of investments	276,321	(485,139)
	<u>(2,051,174)</u>	<u>(12,008,550)</u>

### 10 Employees

#### Number of employees

No employees remuneration was over £60,000.

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2021 Number	2020 Number
	1	1
	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

	2021 £	2020 £
Employment costs		
Wages and salaries	18,215	18,149
Other pension costs	468	366
	<u>18,683</u>	<u>18,515</u>

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

### 11 Tangible fixed assets

	Fixtures, fittings & equipment £
<b>Cost</b>	
At 1 January 2021	2,886
At 31 December 2021	2,886
<b>Depreciation and impairment</b>	
At 1 January 2021	1,179
Depreciation charged in the year	342
At 31 December 2021	1,521
<b>Carrying amount</b>	
At 31 December 2021	1,365
At 31 December 2020	1,709

### 12 Fixed asset investments

	Listed investments £
<b>Cost or valuation</b>	
At 1 January 2021	30,773,219
Additions	5,938,642
Valuation changes	(2,327,495)
Disposals	(6,133,064)
At 31 December 2021	28,251,302
<b>Carrying amount</b>	
At 31 December 2021	28,251,302
At 31 December 2020	30,773,219

#### Fixed asset investments revalued

Listed investments are included at their market value as at the balance sheet date using the closing quoted market price. The historic cost of the investments at the balance sheet date was £38,348,964 (2020 £38,044,949).

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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### 13 Debtors

	2021 £	2020 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Other debtors	436,948	47,826

### 14 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2021 £	2020 £
Accruals and deferred income	14,143	11,940

### 15 Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

	Movement in funds		Movement in funds	
	Incoming resources	Balance at 1 January 2021	Incoming resources	Balance at 31 December 2021
	£	£	£	£
Participatory Grant making with Lankelly Chase	-	-	110,000	110,000
The National Lottery Community Fund – RC North East and Cumbria Region	-	-	400,000	400,000
	-	-	510,000	510,000

### 16 Designated funds

The income funds of the charity include the following designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes:

	Balance at 1 January 2021	Movement in funds		Balance at 31 December 2021
	£	Incoming resources	Resources expended	£
700 Club	15,000	-	15,000	-
A Way Out	15,000	-	15,000	-
Action on Dementia	-	15,000	-	15,000
Active Families CIC	-	10,000	10,000	-
Age UK Gateshead	-	10,000	10,000	-
Age UK Tyneside	-	10,000	-	10,000
AIM North-East	-	10,000	10,000	-
Albert Kennedy Trust	-	10,000	10,000	-
Amble Youth Projects	-	8,750	8,750	-



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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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### 16 Designated funds

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Apnar Ghar	-	4,000	4,000	-
BCT Aspire	18,500	-	18,500	-
Bell View	30,000	-	-	30,000
Bensham & Saltwell Alive	500	(500)	-	-
Berwick Youth Project	-	15,000	15,000	-
Billingham Enviromental Link	18,414	-	-	18,414
Bilton Hall Community Centre	15,000	-	15,000	-
Birtley Community Association	10,000	-	10,000	-
Blyth Tall Ships	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
Blyth Valley CVS	-	8,500	-	8,500
Brandon & Carrside Youth & Community	10,000	-	10,000	-
Breckon Hill Community Enterprise	15,000	-	15,000	-
Bright Futures	-	15,000	-	15,000
Butterwick Hospice Care	-	1,000	1,000	-
Children's Foundation (The)	-	10,000	10,000	-
Chopwell Regeneration Group	-	11,398	-	11,398
Chrysalis Club Tynedale	-	5,000	5,000	-
Churches Together South Tyneside	8,723	-	8,723	-
Coatham House	-	20,000	20,000	-
Comfrey Project	7,000	-	3,500	3,500
Community Campus 87 Ltd	-	20,000	20,000	-
Community Counselling Co-operative	14,480	-	7,240	7,240
Cowpen Quay Community Association	-	20,000	20,000	-
Cramlington Voluntary Youth Project	40,000	-	20,000	20,000
Darlington CAP (St Andrew Parochial Church)	-	10,000	10,000	-
Dementia Matters 3	40,000	-	-	40,000
Denton Youth & Community Centre	15,000	-	15,000	-
Derwentside Detached Youth Project (Consett Churches)	-	10,000	-	10,000
Dry Water Arts CIC	-	15,000	15,000	-
Durham Area Youth	9,080	-	9,080	-
Durham City Youth Projects	-	6,642	6,642	-
Durham Community Action	-	8,585	8,585	-
Easington Lane Community Access Point	-	15,000	-	15,000
Easington Social Welfare	-	7,500	7,500	-
Eastern Ravens Trust	16,000	-	16,000	-
Edbert's House	-	15,000	15,000	-
Empire School of Boxing	-	1,850	1,850	-
Employability Trust (East Durham)	-	15,000	-	15,000
Epic Teeside CIC	15,000	-	15,000	-
Footprints in the Community	-	15,000	15,000	-
Free the Way	5,644	-	5,644	-
Friends of Eastwoods Park	30,000	-	15,000	15,000
Friends of Fawdon Community Library	-	5,000	5,000	-
Gateshead Older People's Assembly	15,000	-	15,000	-
Halo Projects	-	15,000	15,000	-
Hartlepool Carers	15,000	-	15,000	-
Hartlepool NDC Trust	10,000	-	10,000	-
Hartlepower CIO	15,000	-	15,000	-
Heartbeat	7,000	-	7,000	-

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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### 16 Designated funds

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Hetton New Dawn	10,000	-	10,000	-
Hexham Community Partnership	-	20,000	10,000	10,000
Hexham First School	-	1,000	1,000	-
Hope Church East Cleveland	-	750	750	-
Hopespring	15,000	-	15,000	-
Integrating Children	7,912	-	7,912	-
Kids' Kabin	-	10,000	10,000	-
Kidz Konnekt	15,000	-	15,000	-
Kilmarnock Road Children & Young People	-	15,000	15,000	-
Family Resource Centre	-	15,000	15,000	-
King's Church	7,500	-	7,500	-
Kinship (previously called Grandparents Plus)	40,000	-	20,000	20,000
Let's Pretend & Play	-	2,000	2,000	-
Lilyanne's CIC	-	5,420	5,420	-
Meadow Well Connected	15,000	-	15,000	-
Mind Active	15,000	-	15,000	-
MIND Middlesbrough & Stockton	-	15,000	-	15,000
MIND Redcar & Cleveland	17,300	-	17,300	-
Natural Ability	12,000	-	12,000	-
Neighbourhood Youth Projects	265,175	(64,550)	166,300	34,325
NEPACS	10,000	-	10,000	-
New Hope North East	-	12,555	12,555	-
Newcastle Carers	15,000	-	15,000	-
North East Young Dads & Lads Project	15,000	-	15,000	-
North Tyne Youth	-	15,780	15,780	-
North Tyneside Carer's Centre	-	15,000	15,000	-
Northern Stage	8,500	-	8,500	-
Northumberland Community Enterprise Ltd	-	7,500	7,500	-
Northumbria Coalition against Crime	-	9,500	9,500	-
Out of Sight	-	5,000	5,000	-
Park View School	-	10,000	10,000	-
Pennywell Neighbourhood Centre	19,887	-	9,797	10,090
People & Drugs	-	5,000	5,000	-
Perth Green Community Association	15,000	(7,500)	7,500	-
Projects4Change	-	10,000	10,000	-
Recovery Connections	-	15,000	15,000	-
Redcar & Cleveland Voluntary Development Agency	8,000	(8,000)	-	-
Redcar Development Trust	-	15,000	15,000	-
Royal Voluntary Service	10,000	-	10,000	-
Save the Children (Wallsend Children's Community)	83,333	-	83,333	-
Save the Children (Wallsend Children's Community)	-	100,000	-	100,000
Seahouses Development Trust	-	10,000	10,000	-
Search	30,000	-	15,000	15,000
Silverline Memories	-	20,000	20,000	-
Single Homeless Action Initiative	15,000	-	15,000	-
Skill Mill	4,000	-	4,000	-
South Stanley Partnership	10,200	-	10,200	-



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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

### 16 Designated funds

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South Tyneside Churches	-	15,000	15,000	-
South West Tyneside Methodist Church	-	3,000	3,000	-
St Paul's Community Partnership	-	7,000	7,000	-
STAMP Revisited	40,000	-	-	40,000
Streetwise	25,000	-	-	25,000
Sunderland All Together Consortium	160,000	-	80,000	80,000
Sunderland Bangladesh International Centre	-	15,000	15,000	-
Teams Life Centre	10,450	-	5,150	5,300
Tees, Esk & Wear Valleys NHS Foundation Trust	-	15,000	15,000	-
Teesside Dementia Link Services	9,798	-	-	9,798
Tin Arts Limited	-	17,500	17,500	-
Together Middlesbrough & Cleveland	-	40,000	10,000	30,000
Upper Coquetdale Community Transport	9,000	-	9,000	-
Upper Teesdale Agricultural Support Service	-	15,000	15,000	-
Useful Vision	10,400	-	10,400	-
Wearside Women in Need	30,000	-	-	30,000
West View Project Children & Young People's Activity Centre	24,000	-	12,000	12,000
Whippet Up CIC	9,375	-	9,375	-
Women's Health in South Tyneside	15,000	-	15,000	-
Woodshed Workshop CIC	30,000	-	15,000	15,000
YMCA North Tyneside	15,000	-	15,000	-
YMCA Northumberland	-	15,000	15,000	-
Young Asian Voices	11,920	-	11,920	-
Young Women's Outreach Project	-	15,000	15,000	-
Zoe's Place Trust	-	15,000	15,000	-
	<u>1,489,091</u>	<u>769,680</u>	<u>1,558,206</u>	<u>700,565</u>

# BALLINGER CHARITABLE TRUST

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

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### 16 Designated funds

(Continued)

#### **Neighbourhood Youth Projects (NYP)**

Together with Sir James Knott Trust and LGA Foundation, the Ballinger Charitable Trust has been supporting the Newcastle Neighbourhood Projects (NYP) with a mix of core cost grants and grants for collaborative working since November 2019.

The Newcastle Neighbourhood Youth Projects consist of seven charities in the west end and east end of Newcastle:

D2 Youth Zone

Kids Kabin

North Benwell Youth Project

Northbourne Youth Initiative

Patchwork Project

St Anthony's Youth & Education Support ("The Bostey")

Wed End Women and Girls

#### **Sunderland All Together Consortium CIO (SATC)**

In 2015, local youth work organisations in Sunderland came together to develop a collective approach on how to overcome various challenges and best support the children and young people of Sunderland. The member organisations developed their consortium into a charitable incorporated organisation that's now equipped and prepared to build a sustainable future for youth work services. The Sunderland All Together Consortium (SATC) formally registered as a charitable incorporated organisation in February 2019.

The 8 current member organisations are Bluewatch Youth Centre, Lambton Street Youth Centre, Oxclose & District Young Peoples Project, Pennywell Youth Project, Sunderland North Community Business Centre, Southwick Neighbourhood Youth Project, The Box Youth Project and Youth Almighty Youth Project.

The Ballinger Charitable Trust currently supports this consortium's Good Vibes project alongside the National Lottery.

#### **Save The Children**

The Ballinger Charitable Trust has been supporting the Wallsend Children's Community since Save The Children commenced its Children's Community programme in early 2016.

This Children's Community has an ambitious vision to build, over a generation, a Wallsend where children and young people have access to the same high-quality chances as those in more advantaged areas. It is comprised of an interconnected network of services for children that spans their homes, schools and community in order to address multiple, inter-relating challenges and maximise positive connections in these contexts. A group of 13 primary and two secondary schools serve as the core of this network.

The Ballinger Charitable Trust's grant supports Save The Children's local team, based in Wallsend, in overseeing, maintaining and supporting the network.

# BALLINGER CHARITABLE TRUST

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

### 17 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Total 2021 £	Unrestricted funds 2020 £
Fund balances at 31 December 2021 are represented by:				
Tangible assets	1,365	-	1,365	1,709
Investments	28,251,302	-	28,251,302	30,773,219
Current assets/(liabilities)	35,047	510,000	545,047	546,308
	<u>28,287,714</u>	<u>510,000</u>	<u>28,797,714</u>	<u>31,321,236</u>

### 18 Events after the reporting date

In August 2022, shareholders of Go-Ahead Group voted to sell its shares, accepting an offer from a consortium bidder of £14.50 per share, plus a special dividend of £1 per share. The sale is expected to be sanctioned at a court hearing on 6th October 2022 with proceeds of the sale expected to be received around 24th October 2022. Currently the Trust holds 1,243,365 Go Ahead Group shares and is therefore expecting to receive cash proceeds of £19,272,157 by the end of October 2022 and the Trustees intend to review their investment strategy accordingly.

### 19 Related party transactions

During the year Mrs D Ballinger a trustee of The Ballinger Charitable Trust donated £269,997 (2020 £1,720,075) to the trust.

Fees in the sum of £24,000 (2019 £24,000) were paid to Mr J Flynn a trustee of The Ballinger Charitable Trust.

### 20 Cash generated from operations

	2021 £	2020 £
Deficit for the year	(2,523,522)	(11,538,396)
Adjustments for:		
Investment income recognised in statement of financial activities	(429,740)	(438,416)
(Gain)/loss on disposal of investments	(276,321)	485,139
Fair value gains and losses on investments	2,327,495	11,523,411
Depreciation and impairment of tangible fixed assets	342	427
Movements in working capital:		
(Increase) in debtors	(389,120)	(17,629)
Increase in creditors	2,203	299
<b>Cash (absorbed by)/generated from operations</b>	<u>(1,288,663)</u>	<u>14,835</u>

### 21 Analysis of changes in net funds

The charitable company repaid all the incurred debt during the year.