

Charity Registration Number 1125802

**THE GORDON SANDERS CHARITABLE FOUNDATION**  
**TRUSTEES' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED**  
**5<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2025**

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# **THE GORDON SANDERS CHARITABLE FOUNDATION**

## **TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS**

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### **TRUSTEES**

Gordon Sanders  
Michael Ventham

### **REGISTERED ADDRESS**

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Maldon  
Essex  
CM9 6GL

### **BANKERS**

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### **ACCOUNTANTS**

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### **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER**

Stuart A. Rowson FCA  
Venthams  
Chartered Accountants  
Millhouse  
32-38 East Street  
Rochford  
Essex SS4 1DB

## **THE GORDON SANDERS CHARITABLE FOUNDATION**

### **TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025**

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The Trustees have pleasure in submitting their annual report and the accounts of the charity for the year ended 5<sup>th</sup> April 2025.

#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

##### **Policies and objectives**

The objective of the charity is the relief of financial need and suffering.

In planning our activities for the year, the Trustees have given due consideration to the general guidance published by the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

##### **Activities undertaken to achieve objectives**

In pursuit of these objectives £513,300 (2024: £74,500) was contributed during the year.

#### **ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE**

As in previous periods, the Trustees were ever mindful of the opportunities to help individuals or organisations where not only was there an obvious need, but specifically where, due to the availability of money for any genuine purpose, it was less likely that the requirement would be easily met elsewhere.

Using that as a guiding, but not inviolable, principle, the Trustees made 10 donations helping a wide range of disabled, disadvantaged and sporting activities/causes.

Major donations were made to The Belfast Charitable Society, a charity whose vision is to be the recognized leader in the provision of progressive, relevant and philanthropic charitable work in Belfast and the wider community and to The Matt Hampson Foundation, a charity aimed at supporting and inspiring young people who have been seriously injured through sport.

Significant donations were made to Darren Edwards for redefining the impossible, London Wheelchair Rugby Club, Adult Literacy Trust and the British Disabled Angling Association.

As well as these donations, the Trustees made 2 smaller donations.

The Trustees are pleased to report a further year of support to a range of organisations, that in so doing, benefits society generally as well as the specific beneficiaries.

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#### **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

##### **Principal funding**

The principal funding source of the charity is the donations received.

##### **Reserves Policy**

There are no actual commitments and payments are only made following receipt of suitable funds. As such, the charity is not required to maintain any minimum capital and can effectively give all money in its bank account.

##### **Principal risks and uncertainties**

In view of the above method of operating, it can be seen that there are no risks whatsoever, either financially or otherwise with regard to the charity.

##### **Going concern**

After making appropriate enquiries the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity 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 accounts.

#### **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

##### **Constitution**

The charity was established under a Trust Deed dated 1st September 2008. The charity is registered with The Charity Commission under the number 1125802.

##### **Methods of appointment or election of Trustees**

The management of the charity is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected under the terms of the Trust Deed.

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**Organisational structure and decision-making policies**

The Trustees share between them the management of the charity, the receipt of donations and the amounts given for the pursuance of its main activities and this is then distributed as decided upon by the Trustees.

APPROVED ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES

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M.J. Ventham

**Trustee**

Date:

## **THE GORDON SANDERS CHARITABLE FOUNDATION**

### **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE GORDON SANDERS CHARITABLE FOUNDATION**

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Gordon Sanders Charitable Foundation ('the charity') for the year ended 5 April 2025 which comprise the summary of receipts and payments and the statement of assets and liabilities.

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in this 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 charity and the charity's trustees as a body, for my work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

#### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

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

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

An independent examination does not involve gathering all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently does not cover all the matters that an auditor considers in giving their opinion on the accounts. The planning and conduct of an audit goes beyond the limited assurance that an independent examination can provide. Consequently I express no opinion as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and my report is limited to those specific matters set out in the independent examiner's statement.

#### **Independent examiner's statement**

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

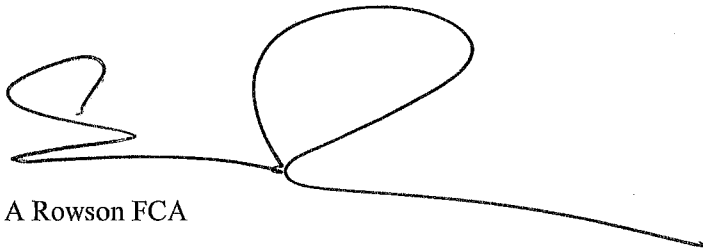
- accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with those records

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I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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S A Rowson FCA

Venthams Limited  
Chartered Accountants  
Millhouse  
32-38 East Street  
Rochford  
Essex  
SS4 1DB

Date: 8 December 2025

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**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2025**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>		
Gifts	505,000	78,000
Interest Received	1,155	271
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<b>TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES</b>	506,155	78,271
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<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>		
Direct Charitable Expenditure	513,300	74,500
Expenses	32	7
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<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>	513,332	74,507
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<b>NET INCOMING / (OUTGOING) RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR</b>	(7,177)	3,764
Fund Balance brought forward	9,115	5,351
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<b>FUND BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD</b>	<u>£1,938</u>	<u>£9,115</u>

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**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES  
AS AT 5<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2025**

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	2025	2024
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Cash at Bank	<u>£ 1,938</u>	<u>£ 9,115</u>
<b>FINANCED BY:-</b>		
Accumulated unrestricted funds	<u>£ 1,938</u>	<u>£ 9,115</u>

These accounts were approved by the Trustees on .....



M.J. Ventham  
Trustee

**THE GORDON SANDERS CHARITABLE FOUNDATION****DIRECT CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE**

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	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
St Andrews Evangelical Mission	-	4,500
Douglas Bader Foundation	-	5,000
St Mary's Church PCC	500	500
London Wheelchair Rugby Club	5,500	6,500
The Matt Hampson Foundation	120,000	20,000
The Belfast Charitable Society	375,000	-
Chadwell St Mary Community Forum	300	-
British Disabled Angling Association	5,000	2,000
The Clocktower Foundation	-	20,000
Darren Edwards for redefining the impossible	5,000	-
Adult Literacy Trust	2,000	-
Breast Cancer Kent	-	10,000
Thurrock Borough Council Mayor Funds	-	500
RCCG Majesty Connection Basildon Foodbank	-	2,500
St Vincents De Paul Society	-	2,500
Lennox Children's Cancer Fund	-	500
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	<b>£ 513,300</b>	<b>£ 74,500</b>
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