

ST BEES SCHOOL
(A company limited by guarantee)



DIRECTORS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025

Registered charity number: 1129534

Registered company number: 06595861

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ST BEES SCHOOL

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025

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ST BEES SCHOOL

COMPANY INFORMATION

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025

Charity number: 1129534

Company number: 06595861

Directors:

The directors of the company are also Governors of the School and trustees for the purposes of Charity law.

Mrs S J Calvin (Resigned 10 August 2024)

Mr M D George (Chairman)

Mr T Kelly

Mr P G Lever

Mr A D Lord

Mr M N Roberts

Dr A M Simper

Dr D J Thornley (Appointed 10 November 2024)

Officers:

Company Secretary:

Mr T Kelly

The Clerk to the Governors:

Mr T Kelly

The organisational management is carried out by the trustees themselves, whilst the day to day operations are undertaken by a small team of staff being supported by nominated local trustees.

ST BEES SCHOOL**COMPANY INFORMATION**

(continued)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025

Principal Address and**Registered Office:**

Wood Lane
St Bees School
ST BEES
CA27 0DS

Advisers**Bankers:**

NatWest Bank plc
Chatham Customer Service Centre
Western Avenue
Waterside Court
Chatham Maritime
Chatham
Kent
ME4 4RT

Solicitors:

Brockbanks
6 Borrowdale Road
Keswick
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Accountants:

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Chartered Accountants
28 Lowther Street
Whitehaven
CA28 7DJ

Insurance Brokers:

Marsh Limited
Capital House
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ST BEES SCHOOL

DIRECTORS' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025

The Directors of St Bees School Trust present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 July 2025, and confirm that they comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 and the Charities Act 2011.

DEVELOPMENT OF THE SCHOOL

The Full Circle Group completed their seventh academic year as managers of the school. The Trust remains confident that the school is developing satisfactorily under their management and remain committed to supporting them to improve both the school facilities and the educational standards.

The St Bees School Trust remained focused on managing the School estate and commercial business activities to provide ongoing financial support to the development of the school and improvement of school facilities.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

St Bees School was founded in 1583. The charitable company was formed on 19 May 2008 and is registered with the Charity Commission as charity number 1129534. The words 'Charity', 'Company', 'Charitable Company', 'Charitable Trust', 'Trust' and 'School' are used interchangeably to refer to St Bees School. The Trustees are listed on page 1. The registered office address of the Charity and the particulars of the Charity's advisers are given on page 2.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing Document

Whilst the School was founded in 1583, the charitable company is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association as adopted on 19 May 2008 and altered by Special Resolutions dated 1 August 2009 and 15 January 2016.

Governing Body

The directors of the Company are also trustees for the purposes of Charity law.

Composition of Governing Body post 15 January 2016

The number of Governors shall be not less than 6 and not more than 12 competent persons, being any of 4 Governors appointed by the Old St Beghians' Club as set out in article 8.2, 4 being appointed from the local community as set out in article 8.3 and not more than 4 co-opted Governors appointed by the Board of Governors.

Recruitment and Training of Trustees

Attention is paid to ensure that the Board of Trustees maintains a balance of skills and diversity in order to function effectively.

Organisational Management

The organisational management of the Trust is carried out by the Trustees themselves, whilst day to day commercial activities are undertaken by a small administrative team based at the Trust's Business Management Centre.

The Trustees comprise the key management personnel of the organisation. All trustees give of their time freely and no trustee remuneration was paid in the year.

Group Structure and Relationships

In May 2019 Full Circle Education Group assumed full responsibility for the operation of the St Bees School Management Company Limited. The Management Company being responsible for the majority of the onsite facilities. Full Circle operate the School under an Agreement with the Charitable Trust. The Agreement is retractable by the charity if the agreed educational and operational objectives are not achieved. Annual review procedures are in place to enable the Charity to monitor the performance of Full Circle in the role of school operator.

The Charity has a wholly owned subsidiary, St Bees School Enterprises Limited (company number 03422777) which was incorporated in August 1997. This is the commercial arm of the School and manages the Whitelaw Management Centre.

The Directors of the St Bees Enterprises Limited have continued to operate the Business Management Centre profitably during 2024/25.

St Bees School acts as trustee of two linked charities, St Bees School Trust and Bursary Fund. Although part of the School's permanent endowments are held by the company in trust for the charities, following the Charity Commission's order dated 10 July 2015 these endowments have been spent and replaced by appropriating expendable property as permanent endowment in their place.

OSB Nominee Limited (company number 08117070) and The Old St Beghian Guarantee Trust Fund are closely linked with the St Beghian Society, the alumni organisation for the School, and provide financial support to the Charitable Trust. The financial assistance provided via OSB Nominee Limited includes a loan creditor to the School in the sum of £1,792,274 as at 31 July 2025 (2024: £1,792,274). The debt was assigned and transferred from The Old St Beghian Guarantee Trust Fund to OSB Nominee Limited on 1 July 2023. The management of these entities is vested in Committee of Alumni.

Risk management

The Directors examine the major risks that the Charity faces on an ongoing basis to control and mitigate potential impacts.

OBJECTS, AIMS, OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objects

The objects of the charity are to advance the education of boys and girls by the provision of a day and/or boarding school in or near St Bees or elsewhere in Cumbria and by ancillary or incidental educational activities and other associated activities for the benefit of the community.

Strategies to Achieve the Objectives

Mission statement

The School was founded in 1583 by the then Archbishop of Canterbury, Edmund Grindal. The trustees' goal is to return an educational institution onto the St Bees campus in alignment with Edmund Grindal's principles. Our Mission is:

To re-establish St Bees School as a vibrant and sustainable centre for the outstanding education and all-round development of young people in accordance with Archbishop Grindal's legacy'.

OBJECTS, AIMS, OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES (continued)

Strategies to Achieve the Objectives (continued)

Objectives

- To have effective and transparent trusteeship;
- To maintain the existing assets and infrastructure in good order;
- To identify the most appropriate operating model for St Bees School; and
- To secure the necessary investment and support to develop the existing assets and infrastructure to support the identified model.

Progress

Pupil numbers consolidated around the 100 mark, with improved income as revenue per pupil continued to increase.

Public Benefit

The trustees have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Charity's aims and objectives and in planning future activities, and how these planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set. In particular, the trustees have given careful consideration to the supplementary public benefit guidance on advancing education and on fee-charging.

STRATEGIC REPORT

The Strategic Report, as required by the Companies Act 2006, is included within this Directors' Report and comprises the sections on Policies through to Future Plans.

REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS

The Business Management Centre remains active and is searching for a new tenant for the upper floor of the building which will enable it to maintain a solid contribution to Trust finances.

Liquidation of assets has reduced and, post-year end, eradicated the debt to Full Circle.

The Trust continues to support students with bursary awards.

DIRECTORS' REPORT (continued)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025

FINANCIAL REVIEW AND RESULTS FOR THE YEAR

As explained in note 1.1 to the accounts, the Directors believe that, whilst there are material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt upon the company's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in the future, the going concern presumption is nevertheless valid and they have not departed from this basis.

Although the School has been re-opened from September 2018, the material uncertainties relate to the viability, both financial and non-financial, of the re-establishing of the School on the St Bees campus.

The basis of preparation continues to include, where appropriate, the writing down of the company's assets to net realisable value. Provision has also been made for any onerous contractual commitments at the balance sheet date. The financial statements do not include any provision for the future costs of terminating any part of the business of the company except to the extent that such were committed at the balance sheet date.

The net consolidated income for the year amounted to £190,395 (2024: £277,807). Income decreased by 31.5% from last year. Total consolidated expenditure decreased by 21.9% from last year.

The Trust reported an operating deficit, excluding covenant from the subsidiary, on the General Fund of £59,690 for the year ended 31 July 2025, against an operating deficit of £29,009 for the year ended 31 July 2024. Profits of £47,812 (2024: £45,993) were transferred from the subsidiary company, St Bees Enterprises Limited, via deed of covenant.

During the year the Trust recognised legacies amounting to £nil (2024: £36,640) and donations amounting to £981 (2024: £776).

The Trust's freehold land and buildings were valued at £4,427,500 on 31 July 2025 by the directors. The basis of valuation used was market value. The directors considered that this figure was an accurate valuation of the properties as at 31 July 2025. As a result there was no surplus or deficit on revaluation for the year ended 31 July 2025 (2024: no surplus or deficit).

There were no property sales during the current year. Proceeds of £38,493 were received from the sale of land at Abbey Road during the year ended 31 July 2024.

The trading subsidiary ran the Business Management Centre throughout the year, with profits consistent with prior periods despite a slight decrease in revenue.

The profit for St Bees Enterprises Limited for the year ended 31 July 2025 was £44,144 (2024: profit of £49,088), prior to calculation of taxable profits to be covenanted to the Trust of £47,812 (2023: £45,993).

The net movement in funds, as shown by the consolidated statement of financial activities, for the year ended 31 July 2025 was a deficit of £1,686 (2024: Surplus of £74,344 after allowing for legacy income of £36,640 and a gain on investment assets of £42,500).

DIRECTORS' REPORT (continued)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025

Reserves

Note 22 to the accounts shows the assets and liabilities attributable to the various funds by type. Notes 23 and 24 describe the various funds of the Charity and summarise the year's movements on each fund. Group unrestricted funds amounted to £1,237,286 (2024: £1,252,832) however there were no free reserves available in either year.

The School's general fund showed a deficit of £1,769,848 (2024: Deficit of £1,770,830).

The Trust's unrestricted reserves are primarily invested in tangible fixed assets which are used for its direct charitable activities. Current policy following the closure of the School in 2015 is to preserve funds as far as possible whilst alternative future possibilities are explored. This includes the maintenance of the existing assets and infrastructure and generation of income needed to sustain the necessary transitional activities.

The Trustees are taking steps to reduce the deficit on general funds in line with best practice.

Investment Policy and Objectives

Investment powers are governed by the Memorandum and Articles of Association. Investment decisions are made by the trustees with the assistance of professional investment advisers. The investment portfolio is no longer active and therefore the investment advisers have ceased in making monthly reports to the trustees and holding meetings to discuss the investment policy and portfolio performance. Consequently no investment performance is reported in the year.

Previously, investments were held to create income and capital growth pending utilisation, whilst preserving the value of endowment funds.

DIRECTORS' REPORT (continued)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025

PRINCIPAL RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

As stated on page 4, the trustees examine the major risks that the charity faces each financial year. These are summarised as follows:

Financial risks and uncertainties

These risks and uncertainties include potential increases in costs, major fire/disaster, cash flow and political change leading to business rates relief exemptions being removed.

Personnel risks and uncertainties

These include loss and recruitment of key personnel and compliance with employment legislation.

Administrative risks and uncertainties

This risk has been identified as security of data held on IT systems.

Safety risks and uncertainties

Risks and uncertainties arise from safeguarding of staff and the public and compliance with health and safety and fire regulations.

Governance risks and uncertainties

These include insuring potential liability claims and the impact of inadequate insurance, and discharging statutory responsibilities.

Other risks and uncertainties

The principal other risk is from a loss of reputation. Further risks include unauthorised site access and dilapidation to buildings and facilities.

The Charity has developed systems to monitor and control the above risks, where possible, to mitigate any impact that they may have on it in the future.

FUTURE PLANS

The Trustees aim to increase financial support to the School further and support more students in their academic journey. This will be achieved through the sales of further Trust assets superfluous to the requirements of the current school at the same time generating increased revenues from commercial activity and reducing costs associated with running the Trust.

A loan of £100,000 has been made in November 2025 to Full Circle to provide further support.

DIRECTORS

The Directors who served during the year are set out on page 1.

DIRECTORS' REPORT (continued)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025

ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING RESPONSIBILITIES

The Charities Act 2011 and the Companies Act 2006 require the directors of the charitable company and group to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of its financial activities during the year and its financial position at the end of the year.

In preparing the financial statements the Directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- follow applicable accounting standards and the Charities SORP, disclosing and explaining any departures in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the group will continue in operation.

The Directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which are such as to disclose, with reasonable accuracy, the financial position of the Company at any time, and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Company and ensuring their proper application in accordance with charity law, and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of error, fraud and other irregularities.

SMALL COMPANY PROVISIONS

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

In approving the Directors' Report the trustees are also approving the Strategic Report in their capacity as company directors.

Approved by the Board of Directors on 21 April 2026
and signed on its behalf by:

M D George
Director

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES
ON THE UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF ST BEES SCHOOL
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025**

I report on the accounts of St Bees School for the year ended 31 July 2025 set out on pages 12 to 35.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and independent examiner

The charity's trustees (who are also the directors of the company for purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act), and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act, to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(i) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep proper accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities
- have not been met; or

(ii) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**Jason Spires BSc FCA DChA
robinson+co, Chartered Accountants
28 Lowther Street
Whitehaven
CA28 7DJ**

Date: 21 April 2026

ST BEES SCHOOL
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds Trust £	Other Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowed Funds £	Total 2025 £	<i>Total 2024 £</i>
INCOME							
Donations and legacies							
Donations	3	981	-	-	-	981	776
Legacies	4	-	-	-	-	-	36,640
Other trading activities							
Trading income	5	-	146,309	-	-	146,309	157,937
Rent receivable		29,192	-	-	-	29,192	31,682
Income from Charitable Activities							
Charitable activity income	6	53	-	-	13,860	13,913	12,279
Other Income							
Profit on disposal of fixed assets	7	-	-	-	-	-	38,493
Total income and endowments		30,226	146,309	-	13,860	190,395	277,807
EXPENDITURE							
Expenditure on Raising funds							
Trading expenditure		-	101,973	-	-	101,973	108,522
Interest	8	561	192	-	-	753	6,298
		561	102,165	-	-	102,726	114,820
Expenditure on Charitable activities							
Schools and grantmaking:							
Continuing activities	10	89,355	-	-	-	89,355	131,143
		89,355	-	-	-	89,355	131,143
Total expenditure	7-9	89,916	102,165	-	-	192,081	245,963
Gains/(losses) on investment assets							
- Realised	13	-	-	-	-	-	42,500
		-	-	-	-	-	42,500
Net income/(expenditure) before transfers		(59,690)	44,144	-	13,860	(1,686)	74,344
Transfers between funds	22-23	47,812	(47,812)	-	-	-	-
		(11,878)	(3,668)				
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(15,546)		-	13,860	(1,686)	74,344
Gains/(losses) on revaluation of fixed assets	12	-		-	-	-	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		(15,546)		-	13,860	(1,686)	74,344
Balances brought forward at 1 August 2024		1,252,832		-	1,464,991	2,717,823	2,643,479
FUND BALANCES at 31 July 2025		1,237,286		-	1,478,851	2,716,137	2,717,823

All amounts derive from continuing activities, unless otherwise stated.

All gains and losses recognised in the the year are included in the Statement of Financial Activities.

The notes on pages 15 to 35 form part of these accounts

ST BEES SCHOOL

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 JULY 2025

		Consolidated		Trust	
	Notes	2025	2024	2025	2024
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
School buildings and equipment	12	4,445,567	4,449,583	4,427,948	4,428,297
Investments	13	-	-	2	2
		<u>4,445,567</u>	<u>4,449,583</u>	<u>4,427,950</u>	<u>4,428,299</u>
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks	14	200	200	200	200
Debtors	15	73,783	81,695	106,954	106,014
Cash at bank and in hand		32,582	93,802	10,705	45,356
		<u>106,565</u>	<u>175,697</u>	<u>117,859</u>	<u>151,570</u>
CREDITORS: due within one year	16	<u>(1,835,995)</u>	<u>(1,902,774)</u>	<u>(1,855,158)</u>	<u>(1,891,200)</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)		<u>(1,729,430)</u>	<u>(1,727,077)</u>	<u>(1,737,299)</u>	<u>(1,739,630)</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>2,716,137</u>	<u>2,722,506</u>	<u>2,690,651</u>	<u>2,688,669</u>
CREDITORS: due after more than one year	17	<u>-</u>	<u>(4,683)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS		<u><u>2,716,137</u></u>	<u><u>2,717,823</u></u>	<u><u>2,690,651</u></u>	<u><u>2,688,669</u></u>
ENDOWED FUNDS	23	1,478,851	1,464,991	1,478,851	1,464,991
RESTRICTED FUNDS		-	-	-	-
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS					
Unrestricted income funds		(1,101,622)	(956,076)	(1,127,108)	(985,230)
Revaluation reserve		2,338,908	2,208,908	2,338,908	2,208,908
	24	<u>1,237,286</u>	<u>1,252,832</u>	<u>1,211,800</u>	<u>1,223,678</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u><u>2,716,137</u></u>	<u><u>2,717,823</u></u>	<u><u>2,690,651</u></u>	<u><u>2,688,669</u></u>

The financial statements on pages 12 - 35 were approved by the Directors on 21 April 2026 and signed on their behalf by:

M D George
Director

Registered number 06595861
England and Wales

The notes on pages 15 to 35 form part of these accounts.

CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
Cash provided by/(used in) operating activities	25	(18,984)	(9,461)
Cash flows from investing activities			
Proceeds from the sale of property, plant and equipment		-	38,493
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(704)	(8,445)
Proceeds from the sale of investments		-	42,500
Cash provided by/(used in) investing activities		(704)	72,548
Cash flows from financing activities			
Repayment of borrowing		(55,392)	(63,691)
Receipt of endowment		13,860	11,765
Cash (used in)/provided by financing activities		(41,532)	(51,926)
Increase in cash and cash equivalents in the year		(61,220)	11,161
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		93,802	82,641
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year		32,582	93,802

The notes on pages 15 to 35 form part of these accounts.

NOTES ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025

1 Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies adopted, judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty in the preparation of the financial statements are summarised below.

1.1 Basis of accounting

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Companies Act 2006 and the Charities Act 2011.

The Directors believe that, whilst there are material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt upon the company's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in the future, the going concern presumption is nevertheless valid and they have not departed from this basis.

Although the School has been re-opened from September 2018, the material uncertainties relate to the viability, both financial and non-financial, of the re-establishing of the School on the St Bees campus.

The basis of preparation continues to include, where appropriate, the writing down of the company's assets to net realisable value. Provision has also been made for any onerous contractual commitments at the balance sheet date. The financial statements do not include any provision for the future costs of terminating any part of the business of the company except to the extent that such were committed at the balance sheet date.

The charity's presentational currency is UK sterling, rounded to the nearest £1.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

1.2 Group accounts

These financial statements consolidate the results of the charitable company and its wholly-owned subsidiary, St Bees Enterprises Limited, on a line by line basis. A separate statement of financial activities for the charitable company itself is not presented because it has taken advantage of the exemptions afforded by paragraph 408 of the Companies Act 2006.

1.3 Donations and fund accounting

Donations receivable for the general purposes of the Charity are credited to unrestricted funds. Donations for purposes restricted by the wishes of the donor are taken to restricted funds where these wishes are legally binding on the trustees, except that donations required to be retained as capital in accordance with the donor's wishes are accounted for as endowments - permanent or expendable according to the nature of the restriction.

NOTES ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025

1 Accounting policies (continued)

1.4 Income

Income is recognised once the charity 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 following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

Amounts receivable for services and use of premises are accounted for in the period in which the service is provided.

Voluntary income is received by way of grants, donations and gifts and is included in full in the statement of financial activities when receivable. Grants where entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of a specific performance by the charity, are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.

Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included.

Legacies are included when the charity is advised by the personal representative of an estate that payment will be made or property transferred and the amount involved can be quantified.

Income from investments is included in the year in which it is receivable.

1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. Overhead and other costs not directly attributable to particular functional activity categories are apportioned over the relevant categories on the basis of management estimates of the amount attributable to that activity in the period, either by reference to staff time or space occupied, as appropriate. Expenditure is stated inclusive of irrecoverable or non-attributable VAT, with any partially recoverable element being credited to the Statement of Financial Activities separately.

Costs of raising funds comprise the costs associated with attracting voluntary income and the costs of trading for fundraising purposes.

Expenditure on charitable activities comprises those costs incurred in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and

Governance costs comprise the costs of running the charity, including strategic planning for its future development, also internal and external audit, any legal advice for the trustees, and all the costs of complying with constitutional and statutory requirements, such as the cost of Board and Committee meetings and of preparing statutory accounts and satisfying public accountability. These costs are included in support costs within expenditure on charitable activities.

1.6 Leases and hire purchase contracts

Tangible fixed assets acquired under finance leases and hire purchase contracts are capitalised at the estimated fair value at the date of inception of each lease or contract. The total finance charges are allocated over the period of the lease in such a way as to give a reasonably constant charge on the outstanding liability.

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to the SOFA on a straight line basis over the lease term.

NOTES ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2025

1 Accounting policies (continued)

1.7 Pension schemes

Contributions are made in respect of defined contribution pension schemes of certain employees.

Contributions are charged in the SOFA as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the schemes.

1.8 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

The School's freehold land and buildings are included in the accounts at valuation.

Freehold land is not depreciated. Freehold buildings are depreciated at 2% on a reducing balance basis. As the School's properties were revalued as at 31 July 2023, no depreciation has been provided for on these during the year.

Short leasehold buildings improvements are depreciated on a straight line basis over the remaining period of the lease.

Assets costing less than £2,000 are not capitalised.

Other fixed assets are included at cost and depreciation is calculated to write off their cost or valuation less any residual value on a straight line basis over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Computer Equipment	- over 3 years
Other Equipment	- over 10 years

An impairment review was carried out on fixed assets and where it was considered that their carrying amount exceeded the higher of their recoverable amount or value in use the assets were written down as necessary.

1.9 Investments

Fixed asset investments are included in the accounts at the mid-market value of each investment as at the balance sheet date. A note is also shown of the cost of each investment at that date. Gains and losses on disposal or revaluation of investments are charged or credited to the SOFA.

Interests in joint ventures are accounted for using the equity method. They are initially recognised at cost. The carrying amount is then adjusted for the post-acquisition change in the Trust's share of net assets in the joint venture entity. The carrying amount of the investment in the joint venture is subsequently adjusted through the SOFA to reflect the Trust's share of the its results.

1.10 Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

1.11 Financial instruments

The company only has financial assets and liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are recognised at amortised cost.

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1 Accounting policies (continued)

1.12 Government grants

Government grants are recognised at the fair value of the asset received or receivable. Grants are not recognised until there is reasonable assurance that the company will comply with the conditions attaching to them and the grants will be received.

Government grants are recognised using the accrual model and the performance model.

Under the accrual model, government grants relating to revenue are recognised on a systematic basis over the periods in which the company recognises the related costs for which the grant is intended to compensate. Grants that are receivable as compensation for expenses or losses already incurred or for the purpose of giving immediate financial support to the entity with no future related costs are recognised in income in the period in which it becomes receivable.

Grants relating to assets are recognised in income on a systematic basis over the expected useful life of the asset. Where part of a grant relating to an asset is deferred, it is recognised as deferred income and not deducted from the carrying amount of the asset.

Under the performance model, where the grant does not impose specified future performance-related conditions on the recipient, it is recognised in income when the grant proceeds are received or receivable. Where the grant does impose specified future performance-related conditions on the recipient, it is recognised in income only when the performance-related conditions have been met. Where grants received are prior to satisfying the revenue recognition criteria, they are recognised as a liability.

2 Statutory information

St Bees School is a private company, limited by guarantee, domiciled in England and Wales, registration number 06595861. The registered office is Wood Lane, St Bees School, St Bees, Cumbria, CA27 0DS. The company is a registered charity, number 1129534.

3 Donations

During the year the Trust received donations amounting to £981 (2024: £776). All of these donations, for both years, are attributable to unrestricted income funds.

4 Legacies

During the year the Trust received legacies amounting to £nil (2024: £36,640). All of the legacy income is attributable to unrestricted income funds.

5 Trading income

	Consolidated		Trust	
	2025	2024	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£
Business Management Centre fees	146,309	<i>157,937</i>	-	-
	146,309	<i>157,937</i>	-	-

All of the above income is attributable to unrestricted income funds.

The Trust's wholly-owned subsidiary, St Bees Enterprises Limited, initially took over the trading aspects of the charity's activities, including the running of the Business Management Centre and Golf Course, from 1 September 1997. After the closure of the School on 3 July 2015 the subsidiary took over the running of additional activities, including sports facility lettings and Holidayfests. From 1 September 2017 all activities, save for the running of the Business Management Centre, were taken over by St Bees School Management Company Limited, the Trust's joint venture company.

The trading results of St Bees Enterprises Limited, extracted from its accounts, are shown in note 13.

6 Charitable activity income

	Consolidated and Trust	
	2025	2024
	£	£
General funds		
VAT reclaimed	53	<i>503</i>
Sundry income	-	<i>15</i>
	53	<i>518</i>
Endowment funds		
Royalties received	13,860	<i>11,761</i>
	13,913	<i>12,279</i>

7 Other income

	Consolidated and Trust	
	2025	2024
	£	£
Profit on disposal of fixed assets - Charity	-	<i>38,493</i>
	-	<i>38,493</i>

All of the other income in year ended 31 July 2025 and year ended 31 July 2024 was attributable to unrestricted income funds.

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8 Interest payable	2025	2024
	£	£
Loan interest payable to Full Circle Education Limited	561	<i>5,971</i>
Other interest	-	-
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Total for Charity	561	<i>5,971</i>
Bank loan interest payable by subsidiary	192	<i>327</i>
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Total for Group	753	<i>6,298</i>
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All of the interest payable in year ended 31 July 2025 and year ended 31 July 2024 was attributable to unrestricted funds.

9 Expenditure	Consolidated		Trust	
	2025	2024	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£
Charitable Activity expenditure includes:				
Staff costs (note 11)	60,258	<i>71,986</i>	6,938	<i>21,834</i>
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets (note 12)				
owned assets	4,720	<i>5,698</i>	349	<i>349</i>
Independent Examiner's fee	1,170	<i>1,085</i>	1,170	<i>1,085</i>
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10	Analysis of total resources expended	Staff costs	Other	Depreciation and impairment	Total 2025	Total 2024
		£	£	£	£	£
	Expenditure on Raising funds:					
	Interest	-	561	-	561	5,971
	Total for charity	-	561	-	561	5,971
	Trading costs of the subsidiary	53,320	44,282	4,371	101,973	108,522
	Interest costs of the subsidiary	-	192	-	192	327
	Total for group	53,320	45,035	4,371	102,726	114,820
	Expenditure on Charitable activities:					
	Continuing activities:					
	Grants payable	-	18,400	-	18,400	18,100
	Establishment costs	6,938	55,020	-	61,958	91,460
	Administration	-	8,648	349	8,997	21,583
	Total for charity and group	6,938	82,068	349	89,355	131,143
	Total expenditure - Group	60,258	127,103	4,720	192,081	245,963
	Total expenditure - Charity	6,938	82,629	349	89,916	137,114

During the year ended 31 July 2025 the total group expenditure of £192,081 was entirely attributable to unrestricted funds. During the year ended 31 July 2024 the total group expenditure of £245,963 was entirely attributable to unrestricted funds.

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11 Staff costs	2025	2024
	£	£
Wages and salaries	58,688	68,349
Social security costs	348	1,556
Pension costs	1,222	2,081
	60,258	71,986
The average number of employees in the year was:	Number	Number
Domestic, maintenance and other staff	4	4
Administration	3	3
	7	7

The trustees are not remunerated, and no expenses were paid during the year (2024: £nil).

There were no higher paid employees during the year (2024: None).

Defined contribution pension schemes

Pension contributions are made in respect of the defined contribution pension schemes of certain employees. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the group to the funds and amounted to £1,222 (2024: £2,081). Contributions amounting to £461 (2024: £nil) are included in creditors at the year end.

12 Tangible fixed assets

Consolidated	Fixtures Fittings and Equipment £	Freehold Land and Buildings £	Total £
Cost or valuation			
1st August 2024	116,738	4,427,500	4,544,238
Additions	704	-	704
Disposals	(15,609)	-	(15,609)
Revaluations	-	-	-
31st July 2025	101,833	4,427,500	4,529,333
Depreciation			
1st August 2024	94,655	-	94,655
Charge for year	4,720	-	4,720
Disposals	(15,609)	-	(15,609)
Revaluations	-	-	-
31st July 2025	83,766	-	83,766
Impairment			
1st August 2024	-	-	-
Charge for year	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-
31st July 2025	-	-	-
Net book values			
31st July 2025	18,067	4,427,500	4,445,567
<i>31st July 2024</i>	<i>22,083</i>	<i>4,427,500</i>	<i>4,449,583</i>

12 Tangible fixed assets (continued)

Trust	Fixtures Fittings and Equipment £	Freehold Land and Buildings £	Total £
Cost or valuation			
1st August 2024	35,609	4,427,500	4,463,109
Additions	-	-	-
Disposals	(15,609)	-	(15,609)
Revaluations	-	-	-
31st July 2025	20,000	4,427,500	4,447,500
Depreciation			
1st August 2024	34,812	-	34,812
Charge for year	349	-	349
Disposals	(15,609)	-	(15,609)
Revaluations	-	-	-
31st July 2025	19,552	-	19,552
Impairment			
1st August 2024	-	-	-
Charge for year	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-
31st July 2025	-	-	-
Net book values			
31st July 2025	448	4,427,500	4,427,948
<i>31st July 2024</i>	<i>797</i>	<i>4,427,500</i>	<i>4,428,297</i>

12 Tangible fixed assets (continued)

The Trust's freehold land and buildings were valued at £4,427,500 on 31 July 2025 by the directors. The basis of valuation used was market value. The directors considered that this figure was an accurate valuation of the properties as at 31 July 2025. As a result there was no surplus or deficit on revaluation for the year ended 31 July 2025 (2024: No surplus or deficit).

It should be noted that the valuation above is based on the Trust's properties being marketed in an orderly way, which the directors believe presents a true and fair view. Should the properties be sold to one individual as a single lot the valuation would be lower.

An impairment review was carried out on fixed assets at the year end and it was concluded that there was no impairment.

Tangible fixed assets included at a valuation would have been included on a historical cost basis at:

	Consolidated and School	
	2025	2024
	£	£
Cost	2,083,875	2,083,875
Depreciation	(577,134)	(546,384)
Net book value	1,506,741	1,537,491

The figures stated above for cost or valuation include valuations as follows:

	Consolidated		School	
	2025	2024	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£
At cost	-	-	-	-
At valuation	4,427,500	4,427,500	4,427,500	4,427,500
	4,427,500	4,427,500	4,427,500	4,427,500

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13 Fixed asset investments	2025	2024
	£	£
Consolidated market value as above		-
Share of net assets in joint ventures - valued on equity method		
Investment in St Bees School Management Company Ltd - 25% of net assets.	-	-
Group undertakings - valued at fair value		
Investment in St Bees Enterprises Ltd - Ordinary £1 shares	2	2
Total for Trust	2	2
<u>Less:</u> Eliminated on consolidation	(2)	(2)
Total for Group	-	-

Investment in St Bees School Management Company Limited:

In June 2017 a joint venture company, St Bees School Management Company Limited (company number 10812320), was established. This company has taken on the responsibility for re-opening the School and all its operational activity and its support activities. The joint venture is a limited company registered in England and Wales which is wholly owned by Full Circle Education Group and St Bees School Trust.

Until 31 May 2019 the Trust was responsible for 25% of the investment in the joint venture company, with Full Circle being responsible for 75%. Thereafter Full Circle assumed full responsibility for the operation of St Bees School Management Company Limited.

Following reconciliation of the total amount invested in St Bees School Management Company Limited, an adjustment of £nil was made during year ended 31 July 2025 to the realised gain/loss on the joint venture company investment (2024: £42,500 gain).

Investment in St Bees Enterprises Ltd:

The Trust owns 100% of the ordinary shares in St Bees Enterprises Limited, which initially took over the trading aspects of the charity's activities, including the running of the Business Management Centre and the Golf Course, from 1st September, 1997. After the closure of the School on 3 July 2015, the subsidiary took over the running of additional activities, including sports facility lettings and Holidayfests. From 1 September 2017 all activities, save for the running of the Business Management Centre, were taken over by St Bees School Management Company Limited, the Trust's joint venture company. St Bees Enterprises Ltd, which was incorporated on 20th August 1997, covenants its taxable profits to the Trust. The company registration number is 0342277.

13 Fixed asset investments (continued)**Investment in St Bees Enterprises Ltd (continued):**

The trading results of St Bees Enterprises Limited, extracted from its accounts were:-

	2025 £	2024 £
Turnover	146,309	157,937
Cost of sales	(26,893)	(31,923)
Gross profit	119,416	126,014
Administration	(75,080)	(76,599)
Other operating income	-	-
Operating (loss)/profit for the year:	44,336	49,415
Interest received	-	-
Interest payable	(192)	(327)
Net (loss)/profit before taxation	44,144	49,088
Taxation	-	-
Net (loss)/profit after taxation	44,144	49,088
Covenant - gross	(47,812)	(45,993)
Retained (loss)/profit	(3,668)	3,095
The assets and liabilities of St Bees Enterprises Ltd were:		
	2025 £	2024 £
Tangible fixed assets	17,619	21,286
Current assets	67,186	76,045
	84,805	97,331
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(59,321)	(63,496)
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year	-	(4,683)
	25,484	29,152
Represented by:		
Share capital	2	2
Profit and loss account	25,482	29,150
	25,484	29,152

There were no amounts invoiced by the Trust or the subsidiary company to the other party for goods and services provided in either the current or prior year.

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14 Stocks

	Consolidated and Trust	
	2025	2024
	£	£
Heating oil	200	200
	200	200

15 Debtors

	Consolidated		Trust	
	2025	2024	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£
Trade debtors	16,352	26,126	1,711	11,014
Loan to joint venture company	39,192	39,192	39,192	39,192
Covenanted profits due from trading company	-	-	47,812	45,993
Other debtors	-	7,468	-	906
Prepayments and accrued income	18,239	8,909	18,239	8,909
	73,783	81,695	106,954	106,014

The purpose of the loan to the joint venture company is to provide school equipment and stock. There are no formal repayment terms, and the loan is unsecured and interest-free. The Trust withdrew as a joint venturer on 31 May 2019 however the loan remains in place.

16 Creditors	Consolidated		Trust	
	2025	2024	2025	2024
Amounts falling due within one year	£	£	£	£
Bank loan	4,683	5,493	-	-
Trade creditors	1,992	8,125	1,984	4,249
Other taxation and social security	4,231	5,515	-	-
Other creditors	593	-	-	-
Accruals and deferred income	9,722	18,968	7,728	16,349
Loan - St Bees Enterprises Ltd	-	-	30,672	5,929
Loans - Full Circle Education Group (unsecured) - see below	22,500	72,399	22,500	72,399
Loans - OSB Nominee Limited (unsecured) - see below	1,792,274	1,792,274	1,792,274	1,792,274
	1,835,995	1,902,774	1,855,158	1,891,200

Loans - Full Circle Education Group

Full Circle Education Group is the Trust's co-venturer in St Bees School Management Company Limited, the joint venture company responsible for re-establishing the School. The loans from Full Circle were to assist with the Trust's financial commitments to invest in the joint venture. The loans are unsecured and interest is charged at a commercial rate as detailed in note 8 to the accounts.

Loans - OSB Nominee Limited

OSB Nominee Limited and The Old St Beghian Guarantee Trust Fund (OSBGTF) are part of the alumni organisation for the School. Funds have also been loaned to St Bees School, unsecured and interest free. There is no formal loan agreement in place. The Trust has received a letter of comfort from the OSBGTF stating that it is not, currently, their intention to demand repayment of all or any part of the loan. The debt was assigned and transferred from OSBGTF to OSB Nominee Limited on 1 July 2023.

Bank loan

The bank loan consists of a Bounce Back loan taken out by St Bees Enterprises Limited in May 2020.

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17 Creditors	Consolidated		School	
Amounts falling due after more than one year	2025 £	2024 £	2025 £	2024 £
Bank loan	-	4,683	-	-
	-	4,683	-	-
Bank loan	2025 £			2024 £
This is repayable as follows:				
In the next year - see note 16		4,683		5,493
In the second to fifth years		-		4,683
		4,683		10,176

Bank loan

The bank loan consists of a Bounce Back loan taken out by St Bees Enterprises Limited in May 2020.

18 Commitments

(a) At 31 July 2025 the Group and Trust had no operating lease commitments (2024: £nil).

(b) At 31 July 2025 the Group and Trust had no capital commitments (2024: £nil).

(c) At 31 July 2025 the Group and Trust had financial commitments of £nil (2024: £nil).

19 Going concern

St Bees School ceased to be operated by the charity on its closure at the end of the Summer Term 2015. Full details regarding the effect on going concern are given in note 1.1 to the accounts.

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20 Taxation

The Trust is a registered charity and is exempt from corporation tax under the provision of Section 478 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010.

St Bees Enterprises Limited is a trading subsidiary of the Trust and is liable to corporation tax on its taxable profits at the applicable rate.

21 Related party transactions

At 31 July 2025 the charity owed loans of £1,792,274 (2023: £1,792,274) to OSB Nominee Limited. This debt was assigned and transferred on 1 July 2023 from the Old St Beghian Guarantee Trust Fund, which is closely connected to the St Beghian Society, the alumni organisation for the School. Mr R Calvin, the spouse of Mrs S Calvin, a director of St Bees School during part of the year, is a director of OSB Nominee Limited and a trustee of the Old St Beghian Guarantee Trust Fund. Further details regarding the loans are included in note 16 to the accounts.

At 31 July 2025 the charity owed loans of £22,500 (2024: £72,399) to Full Circle Education Group, the Trust's co-venturer in St Bees School Management Company Limited. Additionally, accrued interest of £1,432 (2024: £5,971) was outstanding on these loans at the balance sheet date. Further details regarding the loans are included in note 16 to the accounts.

During the year St Bees School Management Company Limited, the Trust's joint venture company, invoiced the Trust for goods and services provided amounting to £20,074 (2024: £40,434). These items are included within administration expenses.

Under a deed of covenant dated 25 August 1998 the subsidiary company, St Bees Enterprises Limited, has covenanted to pay the parent charity, St Bees School, an annual sum not exceeding its taxable profits for the accounting year. For the year ended 31 July 2025 this amounted to £47,812 (2024: £45,993).

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22 Allocation of the group net assets

Fund balances at 31 July 2025 as represented by:

	Fixed Assets	Current Assets	Current Liabilities	Provisions/ Long term Liabilities	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
Endowment funds	1,473,075	5,776	-	-	1,478,851
Restricted funds	-	-	-	-	-
Unrestricted funds	2,972,492	100,789	(1,835,995)	-	1,237,286
Total for group	4,445,567	106,565	(1,835,995)	-	2,716,137

Allocation of the group net assets - previous year

Fund balances at 31 July 2024 as represented by:

	Fixed Assets	Current Assets	Current Liabilities	Provisions/ Long term Liabilities	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
Endowment funds	1,464,247	744	-	-	1,464,991
Restricted funds	-	-	-	-	-
Unrestricted funds	2,985,336	174,953	(1,902,774)	(4,683)	1,252,832
Total for group	4,449,583	175,697	(1,902,774)	(4,683)	2,717,823

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23 Analysis of movements in endowment funds

	Balance 1 August 2024 £	Incoming Resources £	Resources Expended £	Transfers and Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance 31 July 2025 £
<i>Permanent Funds:</i>					
Capital	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
Royalties	769,991	13,860	-	-	783,851
Capital replacement fund	694,000	-	-	-	694,000
Group and Trust	1,464,991	13,860	-	-	1,478,851

Analysis of movements in endowment funds - previous year

	Balance 1 August 2023 £	Incoming Resources £	Resources Expended £	Transfers and Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance 31 July 2024 £
<i>Permanent Funds:</i>					
Capital	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
Royalties	758,226	11,765	-	-	769,991
Capital replacement fund	694,000	-	-	-	694,000
Group and Trust	1,453,226	11,765	-	-	1,464,991

The capital fund represents a nominal amount relating to the original endowment of the School land and buildings.

The royalties fund has been created to provide for the loss of the permanent endowment on Birkham's Quarry, a sandstone quarry which was part of the original asset base of the Trust. As the sandstone is quarried, the asset is eroded and the royalties received replace the diminution in value of the asset. The income from royalties arises from land held on permanent endowment and is subsequently utilised on improvements to the Trust's land and buildings. The credit balance on the royalties fund is thus not represented by cash but by tangible fixed assets.

The direction by an order of the Charity Commission dated 10 July 2015 approved the expenditure of a total of £694,000 of endowment funds to expedite the winding down of the School's affairs following closure on 3 July 2015, under the power given in section 105 of the Charities Act 2011.

This expenditure is subject to the creation of a Capital replacement fund by appropriating expendable property to the value of £694,000 as permanent endowment in the records of the charity.

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24 Analysis of movements in unrestricted funds

	Balance 1 August 2024 £	Incoming Resources £	Resources Expended £	Transfers and Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance 31 July 2025 £
Designated:					
Extraordinary repair fund	32,000	-	-	1,000	33,000
Property revaluation reserve	2,338,908	-	-	-	2,338,908
Capital fund	623,601	-	-	(13,860)	609,741
Trust general fund	(1,770,830)	30,226	(89,916)	60,672	(1,769,848)
Sub-total - Trust	1,223,679	30,226	(89,916)	47,812	1,211,801
Reserves - St Bees Enterprises Limited	29,153	146,309	(102,165)	(47,812)	25,485
Consolidated funds	1,252,832	176,535	(192,081)	-	1,237,286

Analysis of movements in unrestricted funds - previous year

	Balance 1 August 2023 £	Incoming Resources £	Resources Expended £	Transfers and Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance 31 July 2024 £
Designated:					
Extraordinary repair fund	31,000	-	-	1,000	32,000
Property revaluation reserve	2,338,908	-	-	-	2,338,908
Capital fund	635,366	-	-	(11,765)	623,601
Trust general fund	(1,841,079)	108,105	(137,114)	99,258	(1,770,830)
Sub-total - Trust	1,164,195	108,105	(137,114)	88,493	1,223,679
Reserves - St Bees Enterprises Limited	26,058	157,937	(108,849)	(45,993)	29,153
Consolidated funds	1,190,253	266,042	(245,963)	42,500	1,252,832

The Charity Commission have directed that a yearly sum of not less than £1,000 shall be invested for the purpose of providing for the extraordinary repair, improvement or rebuilding of property belonging to the Trust.

The property revaluation reserve represents the surplus on revaluation of the charity's properties. The charity's properties were revalued during the year ended 31 July 2025 with no surplus or deficit arising (2024: No surplus or deficit arising).

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24 Analysis of movements in unrestricted funds (continued)

The capital fund represents amounts invested in land and buildings, which were previously funded by loans from The Friends of St Bees School General Charitable Trust. The Friends converted all loans into a donation on 31 July 2017, £883,563 of which pertained to capital fund investment. Depreciation on the charity's property is charged to this fund. The capital fund stood at £609,741 at 31 July 2025 (2024: £623,601) following property disposals in subsequent periods, and is represented entirely by land and buildings.

During the year a transfer of £13,860 (2024: £11,765) was made from the capital fund to unrestricted general funds to ensure that the balances on the property revaluation reserve, unrestricted capital fund, and endowment funds equate to the current balance sheet total for land and buildings.

The Trust's general fund is retained to provide working capital and may be used for the charity's general purposes. The Trust's general fund showed a deficit of £1,769,848 at 31 July 2025 (2024: Deficit of £1,770,830).

The Trustees are taking steps to reduce the deficit on general funds in line with best practice.

25 Gross cash flows

	Group 2025 £	<i>Group 2024 £</i>
Reconciliation of net movement in funds to net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities		
Net movement in funds	(1,686)	74,344
Endowment donations	(13,860)	(11,765)
Depreciation	4,720	5,698
(Profit)/loss on sale of fixed assets	-	(38,493)
(Gains)/losses on investments	-	(42,500)
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	7,912	6,310
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	(16,070)	(3,055)
Net cash provided by/(used in) group operating activities	(18,984)	<i>(9,461)</i>