

THE ANBER FUND

UNAUDITED ANNUAL REPORT & FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2024

CHARITY NUMBER 1135643

THE ANBER FUND TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2024

The Trustees present their annual report and financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30th June 2024.

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 charity's trust deed, the Charities Act 2011 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 1st January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The Trust Fund has been established to make grants for charitable purposes.

Public benefit:

In planning the Trust's grant making the trustees have given consideration to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit.

Achievements and Performance

Performance of investments is managed by the Investment Managers and is monitored by the trustees.

Financial Review

Income totalling £33,738 (2023: £29,616) was received in the year, of which £29,238 (2023: £25,116) was from investments. Grants of £21,600 (2023: £22,040) were made to organisations in the year. Capital investments were valued at £1,012,082 (2023: £928,719) at the year end.

Investment Policy and Powers

The Trustee has the power of investment conferred by the Trustees Act 2000. The investment strategy is set by the trustees and takes account of recent demands for funds and an assessment of expected future needs (see Reserves Policy). The investment policy and strategy are reviewed with the investment manager at regular intervals. The investment objective is to maintain, overall, the real value of capital and income.

Risk Management

The main risks to which the charity is exposed as identified by the trustees have been considered and systems have been established to mitigate those risks.

Reserves Policy

The trustee is managing the reserves to balance the needs of current and future beneficiaries. It is not anticipated that the needs of beneficiaries will diminish over time.

Plans for the Future

The intention is for continued investment management on a consistent basis and distributed of income to charitable organisations

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Structure, Governance and Management

The Anber Fund is a registered charity, number 1135643 and is constituted under a Trust Deed dated 23rd March 2010.

The Trustees, in their power, have delegated the management of the investments and the administration of the charity, including administration of grant-making and accountancy, to LCVS. The Trust Deed permits the spending of capital; the trustees have, however, agreed to retain the capital for the time being and to invest it to produce income to make grants.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Name	The Anber Fund	
Charity number	1135643	
Principal Office	LCVS 151 Dale Street, Liverpool L2 2AH	
Trustees	During the year under review, the trustees were as follow A Behrend Liverpool Charity and Voluntary Services (LCVS), a corporate trustee, which is incorporated under the Companies Act as a company limited by guarantee without share capital as company number 181759, a registered charity, number 223485, and a charitable Trust Corporation. LCVS trustees, who are also its directors, were as follows during the year.	
LCVS Chair	Sonia Bassey MBE	
LCVS Treasurer	Mike Thomas	
	Dorcas Akeju	
	Sonia Bassey MBE	
	Maxine Ennis	
	Anna James	(Appointed 17 th October 2024)
	Dr Hardamanjit R Kaur	(Appointed 17 th October 2024)
	Ken Perry	(Resigned 2 nd September 2024)
	John Price	(Resigned 4 th November 2024)
	Anne Reading	(Appointed 17 th October 2024)
	Michael Salla	
	Louise Scholes	
	Gemma Shone	
	James A Sloan	
	Neil John Sturmeay	(Resigned 30 th June 2024)
	Mike Thomas	
Secretary	Helen Rotheram	

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Accountants	LCVS 151 Dale Street Liverpool, L2 2AH
Independent Examiner	Paula Sanchez ACCA Score Lane Liverpool, L16 5EF
Investment Manager	Investec Wealth and Investment The Plaza 100 Old Hall Street Liverpool, L3 9AB

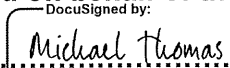
TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES IN RELATION TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The charity trustees are responsible for preparing a trustees' annual report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice). The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the charity trustees to prepare financial statements for each year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, of the charity for that period. In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the applicable Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures that must be disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

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

Signed on behalf of the Trustee, Liverpool Charity and Voluntary Services.

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Mike Thomas – LCVS Trustee

Date 03/03/2025

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE ANBER FUND

I report to the trustee on my examination of the accounts of The Anber Fund ('the charity') for the year to 30th June 2024, which are set out on pages 7 to 13.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 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 2011 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.

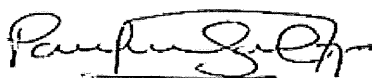
Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.

Name: **Paula Sanchez**



Name of applicable listed body: **Association of Chartered Certified Accountants**

Relevant professional qualification or body: **ACCA**

Date: **24/3/2025**

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds			
		Income Funds 2024 £	Capital Funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Income from:					
Donations	2	4,500	-	4,500	4,500
Investments	2	29,238	-	29,238	25,116
Total income		33,738	-	33,738	29,616
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	3	22,557	-	22,557	22,924
Total expenditure		22,557	-	22,557	22,924
Net income		11,181	-	11,181	6,692
Net gains on investment assets	4	-	83,363	83,363	6,415
Net movement in funds		11,181	83,363	94,544	13,107
<i>Reconciliation of funds:</i>					
Total funds brought forward		6,812	928,719	935,531	922,424
Total funds carried forward		17,993	1,012,082	1,030,075	935,531

The notes on pages 9 to 13 form part of these accounts.

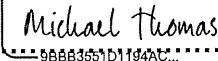
The net movement in the funds in the year is derived from the continuing activity of the charity.

All of the charity's funds are unrestricted for years ended 30th June 2024 and 30th June 2023.

**THE ANBER FUND
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 5TH APRIL 2024**

		30TH JUNE 2024		30TH JUNE 2023	
		£	£	£	£
Fixed assets	Notes				
Investments	4		1,012,082		928,719
Current assets					
Debtors	5	-	-	-	-
Bank & Cash balances		18,950		7,696	
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		18,950		7,696	
Current liabilities					
Creditors	6	(957)		(884)	
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Net current assets			17,993		6,812
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Net assets			1,030,075		935,531
			=====		=====
The funds of the charity:			£		£
Income funds			17,993		6,812
Capital funds			1,012,082		928,719
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			1,030,075		935,531
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Approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by

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Mike Thomas – LCVS Trustee
On behalf of LCVS

03/03/2025
Dated:

THE ANBER FUND NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

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 (FRS102) (SORP 2019) and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1st January 2019) and the Charities Act 2011.

The accounts have been 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 trust constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

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

The Charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for Charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

Going concern

At the time of approving the accounts, the trustee has reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate reserves to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustee continues to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the accounts.

Investments

Investments held as fixed assets, in accordance with SORP 2015, are stated and included in the balance sheet at their market value at the year-end or at the valuation date nearest to the year end. UK listed securities and foreign securities quoted on a recognised stock exchange are stated at market values ruling at the year end. Investments denominated in foreign currencies are translated using the sterling rate of exchange ruling at the year end.

Unit Trust and managed fund investments are stated at the average of the bid and offer prices quoted by the Trust's managers nearest to the year end.

The Statement of Financial Activities includes unrealised gains and losses arising from the revaluation of the investment portfolio. The trustees consider that the cash held as part of the portfolio to be cash at bank, and it is included in the balances at bank.

Fund accounting

Restricted funds are subject to specific restrictive conditions imposed by the donor. All restricted funds are accounted for as restricted income and expenditure for the purposes is charged to the fund.

Unrestricted funds are considered 'free' reserves and are available for use or retention at the discretion of the Trustees, in accordance with the charity's objectives. Free reserves are undesignated funds available for the furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

THE ANBER FUND NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2024

Income recognition

Income from investments comprises dividend income and interest and are recognised when the amount is certain.

Expenditure recognition

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.

All expenditure is accounted for on an accrual basis. All expenses, including support and governance costs, are allocated or apportioned to the applicable expenditure headings in the statement of financial activities.

Raising funds costs relate to expenses incurred in the management of the investment assets. Charitable activities include grant funding, along with associated support costs, to beneficiaries. These are dealt with in the Statement of Financial Activities when payment has been approved by the charity. Governance costs relate to compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements and specifically include all costs incurred by the charity in producing the Annual Report.

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Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts.

Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2024

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

Taxation

The charity benefits from various exemptions from taxation afforded by tax legislation and is not liable to corporation tax on income or gains falling within those exemptions. The charity is not able to recover Value Added Tax. Expenditure is recorded in the accounts inclusive of VAT.

Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an on-going basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

2. Income and endowments from:

	Income fund 2024 £	Capital Fund 2024 £	Total Unrestricted 2024 £	Total Unrestricted 2023 £
Donations and legacies				
Donations	3,600	-	3,600	3,600
Gift Aid	900	-	900	900
	4,500	-	4,500	4,500
	=====	=====	=====	=====
Investments	£	£	£	£
Investments dividends and interest	29,238	-	29,238	25,116
	=====	=====	=====	=====

THE ANBER FUND NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2024

3. Expenditure on charitable activities:

a. Analysed as follows:

	2024	2023
	£	£
<i>Direct charitable expenditure:</i>		
Grant funding	21,600	22,040
Grant making administration costs	431	423
LCVS		
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	22,031	22,463
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	2024	2023
	£	£
<i>Support & Governance costs:</i>		
Accountancy	216	211
Independent examination	310	250
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	526	461
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Total expenditure on charitable activities	22,557	22,924
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Except for the Corporate Trustee, LCVS, trustees are not remunerated for their services.
No expenses were reimbursed to trustees during the year (2023: £none)

The following grants were made during the year:

Grants to organisations of £1,000 and over	£
Bethany Christian Trust	1,600
Merseyside Holiday Service	2,000
Open Doors with Brother Andrew	1,000
Pesticide Action	1,000
Tear Fund	8,000
Water Aid	1,000

	14,600
Grants under £1,000	7,000

	21,600
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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2024

4. Fixed Asset Investments

	2024	2023
	£	£
Quoted Investments		
Market value at 1 st July 2023	928,719	922,304
Unrealised gains on investments assets	83,363	6,415
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Market value at 30th June 2024	1,012,082	928,719
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Book costs at 30th June 2024	954,010	954,010
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The trust holds all of its fixed asset investments in a Charity Commission approved pooling scheme, the Settlers' Trust Fund (STF), administered by Liverpool Charity and Voluntary Services and, at the balance sheet date, managed by Investec Wealth & Investment. At 30th June 2024, the assets of the STF fund had a total market value of £33,821,443 (2023: £31,099,741) of which £1,012,082 (2023: £928,719) is an asset of the trust.

5. Debtors

There were no debtors during or at year end 30th June 2024 (2023: none).

6. Creditors

	2024	2023
	£	£
Accountancy fee LCVS	647	634
Independent examination fee	310	250
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	957	884
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7. Unrestricted Funds

Capital Fund: Funds held to provide income for the ongoing activities of the trust.

Income Fund: Investment income received for distribution as grants to charitable voluntary organisations.

8. Related Party Transactions

Charitable Activities: these include £431 (2023: £423) grant making administration costs payable to LCVS. Governance Costs: these include £216 (2023: £211) payable to LCVS in respect of accountancy and trust administration.

Creditors: balance includes £647 (2023: £634) payable to LCVS at the year end. LCVS is related to the Fund by virtue of being the corporate trustee.

No trustee received remuneration or expenses as part of their role as Trustee of the charity.