

**Oracle Head and Neck Cancer UK Limited**

**Charity No. 1142037  
Company No. 07125497**

# **Report and financial statements**

**For the year ended**

**31 May 2025**

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# ORACLE HEAD AND NECK CANCER UK LIMITED

## Reference and administrative information

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**Trustees:** Keith Jones - Chair  
Gareth Thomas  
James Robertson  
Dr. Mehmet Sen  
Toby Amis  
Frances Rhys-Evans (appointed on 4 March 2026)  
Jaymit Patel (appointed on 4 March 2026)  
Ghassan Alusi (resigned 19 November 2025)

**Chief Executive:** Tamara Khan

**Company number:** 07125497

**Charity number:** 1142037

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The trustees, who are also directors under company law, present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 May 2025.

The trustees confirm that the financial statements comply with current statutory requirements and the Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: SORP applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS 102.

## Objectives and activities

### Purposes and aims

The objects of the Charity are for the public benefit to preserve and protect health and to provide relief for individuals affected by head and neck cancer, including without limitation:

1. by advancing education and promoting and funding research in relation to the causes, prevention, treatment and cure of head and neck cancers, and publishing the useful results of that research;
2. by providing practical support, information and assistance to individuals affected by head and neck cancer, their carers and family; and
3. by promoting collaboration and best practice in the treatment and care of individuals affected by head and neck cancers, including (without limitation) through the provision of grants and financial support.

The Trustees confirm they have referred to the guidance produced by the Charity Commission on public benefit when reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and in planning future activities.

### Activities

Oracle Head and Neck Cancer continues to deliver on this mission across 4 areas:

R (Research). A (Awareness). C (Collaboration). E (Experience of the Patient).

These pillars act as a core focus for all the charity sets out to do to overcome the Head and Neck cancer crisis.

#### Research

We have approved grants for the following research projects:

##### Audit Feasibility Study

Working alongside a coalition of funders, we are delighted to fund a study which aims to lay the foundations for a national audit of head and neck cancer in England using existing NHS cancer data. By analysing where and how people are diagnosed, how quickly they start treatment, and how outcomes vary across the country, the project will identify important gaps and inequalities in care. We hope this will allow services to be compared, improvements to be targeted, and progress to be tracked over time; ultimately supporting earlier diagnosis, more timely treatment, and better outcomes for people affected by head and neck cancer.

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### Early Detection and Awareness

This qualitative study explores how adults of South Asian heritage understand head and neck cancer, what influences their decisions to seek help and how awareness and early diagnosis could be improved in culturally appropriate ways. The findings will inform the design of culturally sensitive awareness and early detection initiatives that can support earlier presentation, improve access to care and ultimately reduce inequalities in outcomes.

### Language Impact Study

This PhD project aims to improve outcomes for people affected by head and neck cancer by identifying how the language used to describe these cancers influences awareness, help-seeking, and patient experience. By examining public discussions, surveying knowledge, and gathering perspectives from patients, families, and clinicians, the study pinpoints where confusing or technical terminology creates misunderstandings, delays diagnosis, or limits access to support, including around HPV-related cancers. The project will produce evidence-based recommendations to improve how head and neck cancers are communicated about, helping to reduce inequalities and improve experiences and outcomes across the cancer pathway.

### Laryngeal Cancer Cohort Expansion

The Laryngeal Cancer CoHort (LARCH) is a national research study designed to improve understanding and care of laryngeal (voice box) cancer by collecting detailed clinical information, scans, voice recordings and tumour samples from people newly diagnosed with the disease and following them over time. By expanding LARCH and ensuring long-term follow-up, this project will generate high-quality evidence to improve shared decision making, develop tools for earlier diagnosis and better predict who will benefit from different treatments.

### Electrical Nerve Stimulation Pilot Project

This study aims to improve quality of life for people with head and neck cancer who undergo neck dissection surgery, a procedure that commonly damages a nerve controlling shoulder movement and leaves many patients with long-term pain, weakness, and inability to return to work. The project will test whether applying short bursts of electrical stimulation to the injured nerve during surgery can help it recover and prevent shoulder problems. The NHS currently has no effective treatment for this complication; we hope it could lead to a simple, low-cost treatment that reduces disability, speeds recovery and significantly improves long-term outcomes and independence for thousands of patients each year.

### Investigating Metabolic Reprogramming

The project aims to discover new treatment options for adenoid cystic carcinoma (ACC), a rare and difficult-to-treat salivary gland cancer, by understanding how these tumours rewire their metabolism to grow and resist therapy. Building on promising early work that used a personalised model to identify a three-drug combination that temporarily shrank a patient's tumour, the study analyses tumour samples from many ACC patients to map shared metabolic weaknesses that can be targeted with drugs. The project seeks to improve survival and quality of life for people with ACC and contribute to broader advances in treatment for rare head and neck cancers.

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#### The Impact of Paan and Smokeless Tobacco

The use of paan (betel quid) and smokeless tobacco is common and strongly linked to higher cancer risk. By studying tissue samples from affected patients, the research identifies the molecular changes that characterise paan-related oral cancers and determine how they differ from cancers caused by smoking or alcohol. The findings will also support prevention and awareness efforts around paan and smokeless tobacco use. As the first UK study of its kind, this work has the potential to make a lasting impact on reducing inequalities and improving outcomes for an underserved high-risk population.

#### Boron Neutron Capture Therapy

This study aims to develop and advance boron neutron capture therapy (BNCT) as a promising and more precise form of radiotherapy for head and neck cancer. Unlike conventional radiotherapy, which can damage healthy tissues and cause severe long-term side effects, BNCT is designed to concentrate radiation within cancer cells, potentially increasing tumour killing while sparing surrounding normal tissue. Using patient-derived tumour models and innovative laboratory systems, the study will explore how head and neck cancer cells respond to BNCT and uncover the biological mechanisms behind its effects. Ultimately, it has the potential to improve survival, reduce treatment-related side effects, and offer patients more effective and kinder treatment options.

#### Research & Impact Evening

Once again, we held a successful Research Impact evening in April at the Tower Suites where guests heard presentations from clinicians and researchers, as well as a presentation from a patient and a family member. The evening finished with a panel discussion, which gave all attendees the opportunity to ask their own questions. Thanks must go to the whole team at Tower Suites for their support with the event – especially our patron, Tony Matharu.

#### Awareness

- Oracle was invited to collaborate on a cancer awareness leaflet with Roche and the Prison Reform Trust for women prisoners.
- We launched our barber shop awareness campaign in Greenwich in collaboration with the Greenwich NHS trust in memory of Robert Shaw. We offered training for barbers in the area with the aim of getting barbers talking to clients about symptoms with a sticker on their mirrors encouraging more awareness of symptoms and self-checks.
- With the financial support of Macmillan Thames Valley we extended our work on the Sign Away Cancer Campaign. This focussed on raising awareness amongst parents of Year 7, 8 and 9 children of the importance and power of signing the HPV vaccine consent forms.
- Thanks to the team at EasyJet, we were able to feature a HeadNeckCheck campaign on 20,000 EasyJet Boarding Passes for those travelling to 4 key mediterranean destinations over June and July.
- Our CEO, along with a patient speaker, attended the Merck Head and Neck Cancer Awareness Day Lunch & Learn on July 25th alongside a leading HNC Late Effects Lead from UCLH.
- We actively participated in the European Make Sense Campaign, an annual week-long initiative aimed at raising awareness of head and neck cancer across Europe. The campaign, themed "Equal Access, Equal Care: Uniting Europe Against Head and Neck Cancer," focused on promoting early diagnosis, prevention and advocating for equal access to care.

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- One of our patient ambassadors who is a Major General in the military and secured us a slot to present to all the military primary care doctors at one of their regular briefings. This gave us the opportunity to speak to all those military GPs and Dentists about Head & Neck cancers, symptoms and realities.
- To mark Head and Neck Cancer Awareness Day, our team secured PR coverage which reached millions of people through pieces in The Sun, The Mirror, MailOnline, NetMums and extensive regional press.
- Thanks to Mark Steel & Jules Buczacki, we have produced a fabulous resource to raise awareness. The all new HeadNeckCheck video can be found on our website.

#### Collaboration

- Our work as a key member of the Head and Neck Cancer Coalition continued. Key to our outreach was liaison with new Ministers following the changes in government.
- We worked with NHS England to update their HPV, HPV Vaccine and Head and Neck Cancer pages.
- We held our annual York Oracle Head and Neck Oncology event in September. The meeting brought together leading experts, researchers and clinicians to discuss cutting edge advancements in the treatment of head and neck cancer. The event was filled with inspiring presentations on ground-breaking clinical trials, innovative therapies and emerging technologies.

#### Experience of the Patient

- Our incredible Oracle Voices volunteers continued to support PPIE projects, making sure that the patient voice is at the heart of all activities relating to Head and Neck Cancer.
- We launched a community/participatory theatre project in Leicester to follow up on our community engagement and barriers to diagnosis associated with the inequalities project we have been running in the city. Through the use of forum theatre the audience can participate in an effort to improve health literacy and improve confidence in primary care experiences.
- Our CEO, Tamara Khan, worked with the Head and Neck Cancer Coalition to input into the Government consultation on a new 10 year Cancer Strategy.

#### Fundraising

Fundraising continued to be a challenge through the year, especially when set against our ambition to fund more ground-breaking research into head and neck cancers.

However, we are fortunate to benefit from some amazing individuals who consistently go above and beyond to support the charity, as well as our committed corporate community and trusts and foundations. We would like to offer our most sincere thanks to everyone who supports the work we undertake on behalf of our patient community.

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### Financial review

Total income for the charity was £648,454 (2024: 498,898). The total distribution of the charity funds was £918,289 (2024: £364,105). Carried forward funds, £46,203 including restricted funds of £29,353.

### STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

#### Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, the articles of association, and is constituted as a company limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

#### Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The statutory power of appointing new trustees hereof shall be exercisable by the persons who are for the time being the trustees hereof.

### STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees (who are also the directors for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) including Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland". Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

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

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company 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 charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.



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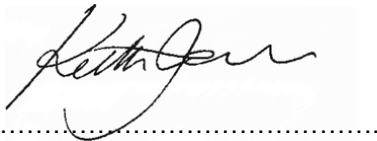
In so far as the trustees are aware:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditors are unaware; and
- the trustees have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditors are aware of that information.

#### AUDITORS

The auditors, Goldwins Limited, will be proposed for re-appointment at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

Approved by the Board of Trustees on and signed on its behalf by:



Keith Jones

**Chair, Trustee**

**20 April 2026**

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

## TO THE MEMBERS OF ORACLE HEAD AND NECK CANCER UK LIMITED

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2025

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#### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of Oracle Head and Neck Cancer UK Limited (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 May 2025 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, Cashflow Statement, and the related notes. 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 May 2025 and of its income and expenditure 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 Charity 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.

#### **Material uncertainty related to going concern**

We draw attention to note b of the accounting policies in the financial statements, which indicates that the charity has experienced financial pressures, including reduced income and limited reserves. These events or conditions, along with other matters set forth therein, indicate that a material uncertainty exists that may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

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.

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

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#### **Other information**

The trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, 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 audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. 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.

#### **Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006**

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the trustees' report (incorporating the directors' report) for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the trustees' report (incorporating the directors' report) have been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

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

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the Charity and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Trustees' Annual Report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

#### **Responsibilities of the trustees**

As explained more fully in the Trustees' Responsibilities Statement, the trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view and for such internal control as they

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determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the Charity'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 Charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### **Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud are set out below.

In identifying and assessing risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, our procedures included the following:

- We enquired of management, which included obtaining and reviewing supporting documentation, concerning the charity's policies and procedures relating to the internal controls established to mitigate risks related to fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations.
- We inspected the minutes of meetings of those charged with governance.
- We reviewed the financial statement disclosures and tested these to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations.
- In addressing the risk of fraud through management override of controls, we tested the appropriateness of journal entries and other adjustments, assessed whether the judgements made in making accounting estimates are indicative of a potential bias and tested significant transactions that are unusual or those outside the normal course of business.

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. The risk is also greater regarding irregularities occurring due to fraud rather than error, as fraud involves intentional concealment, forgery, collusion, omission or misrepresentation.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: [\[www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities\]](http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities). This description forms part of our auditor's report.

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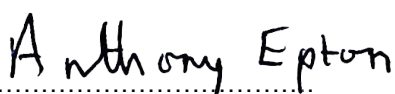
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#### Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity'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 charity and the charity's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



Anthony Epton (Senior Statutory Auditor)

for and on behalf of

Goldwins Limited

Statutory Auditor

Chartered Accountants

75 Maygrove Road

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22 April 2026

# ORACLE HEAD AND NECK CANCER UK LIMITED

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING THE INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT) YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2025

	Notes	Restricted Funds 2025	Unrestricted Funds 2025	Total Funds 2025	Total Funds 2024
		£	£	£	£
<b>INCOME</b>					
Donations and legacies	1	188,542	393,696	582,238	474,371
Fundraising events		-	65,333	65,333	21,052
Investment income	2	-	883	883	3,475
<b>Total Income</b>		<u>188,542</u>	<u>459,912</u>	<u>648,454</u>	<u>498,898</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>					
<b>Costs of raising funds</b>					
- costs of generating voluntary and fundraising income	3	-	317,528	317,528	155,306
Expenditure on charitable activities and Governance costs	4	328,893	271,868	600,761	208,799
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<u>328,893</u>	<u>589,396</u>	<u>918,289</u>	<u>364,105</u>
<b>Net Income (Expenditure) for the year</b>		(140,351)	(129,484)	(269,835)	134,793
<b>Reconciliation of Funds</b>					
<b>Total Funds brought forward 1 June 2024</b>		115,535	200,503	316,038	181,245
<b>Transfer between funds</b>		41,666	(41,666)	-	-
<b>Total funds carried forward at 31 May 2025</b>		<u>16,850</u>	<u>29,353</u>	<u>46,203</u>	<u>316,038</u>

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

All income and expenditure derives from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 15 to 26 form part of these financial statements.

# ORACLE HEAD AND NECK CANCER UK LIMITED

## BALANCE SHEET

At 31 MAY 2025

	Notes	2025	2024
		£	£
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>			
Tangible	9	166	450
		<u>166</u>	<u>450</u>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Debtors	10	200	35,000
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>257,827</u>	<u>405,607</u>
		<u>258,027</u>	<u>440,607</u>
<b>CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year</b>	11	<u>188,353</u>	<u>125,019</u>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>69,674</u>	<u>315,588</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>69,840</u>	<u>316,038</u>
<b>CREDITORS: Amounts falling due after one year</b>	12	<u>23,637</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u><u>46,203</u></u>	<u><u>£316,038</u></u>
<b>FUNDS</b>			
Restricted funds	13	16,850	115,535
Unrestricted funds	14	<u>29,353</u>	<u>200,503</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>		<u><u>46,203</u></u>	<u><u>£316,038</u></u>

20 April 2026

These financial statements were approved by the Trustees on the .....  
and are signed on their behalf by:



Keith Jones

Chairman and Trustee

Company registration No: 07125497

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## CASHFLOW STATEMENT

At 31 MAY 2025

	2025		2024	
	£	£	£	£
<b>Net cash used in operating activities</b> (see note below)		(148,663)		39,469
<b>Cash inflows from investing activities</b>				
Investment income	883		3,474	
Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets	-		-	
Net cash provided by investing activities		883		3,474
<b>Net change in cash and cash equivalents</b>		<b>(147,780)</b>		<b>42,943</b>
Cash and cash equivalents at the start of the year		405,607		362,664
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year</b>		<b>257,827</b>		<b>405,607</b>

### Note - reconciliation of net expenditure to net cash flow from operating activities

Net income (expenditure ) (as per statement of financial activities)	(269,835)	134,793
Investment income	(883)	(3,474)
Depreciation of tangible assets	284	284
Decrease / (Increase) in debtors	34,800	(21,505)
Increase / (Decrease) in creditors	86,971	(70,629)
Net cash used in operating activities	<b>(148,663)</b>	<b>39,469</b>
<b>Analysis of cash and cash equivalents</b>		
Cash in hand	257,827	405,607
<b>Total</b>	<b>257,827</b>	<b>405,607</b>



**1) ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**a) Accounting convention**

These financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis, under the historical cost convention. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) including Update Bulletin 1. The Company is a public benefit entity for the purposes of FRS 102 and a registered charity established as a company limited by guarantee and therefore has also prepared its financial statements in accordance with the 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 (The FRS 102 Charities SORP) and the Companies Act 2006.

Oracle Head and Neck Cancer UK Limited meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

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

**b) GOING CONCERN**

The Trustees have carefully considered the financial position of the charity and its ability to continue as a going concern. The charity has faced a challenging period during the year, marked by reduced income streams, increasing operating costs, and ongoing uncertainty in the funding environment. These conditions have placed pressure on cash flow and reserves.

Despite these challenges, the Trustees remain committed to ensuring the charity's sustainability and have taken a number of proactive steps. These include implementing cost control measures, reviewing staffing and operational structures, and prioritising core charitable activities. The Trustees have also intensified efforts to diversify income sources, including pursuing new grant opportunities, strengthening donor engagement and other various fundraising initiatives.

Cash flow forecasts have been prepared covering a period of at least 12 months from the date of approval of the financial statements. These forecasts indicate that, while there are uncertainties, the charity is expected to be able to meet its liabilities as they fall due, provided that planned funding and cost-saving measures are achieved.

The Trustees acknowledge that there are material uncertainties related to future income generation and external economic conditions, which may cast doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern. However, based on the actions taken and planned, along with the anticipated funding, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity will continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Accordingly, the financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

The Trustees will continue to monitor the financial position closely and take further action as necessary to safeguard the charity's long-term viability.

**c) Incoming resources**

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is entitled to the income, the receipt is probable and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

Legacies are recognised following probate and once there is sufficient evidence that receipt is probable and the amount of the legacy receivable can be measured reliably. Where entitlement to a legacy exists but there is uncertainty as to its receipt or the amount receivable, details are disclosed as a contingent asset until the criteria for income recognition are met.

- Bank interest is accounted for on an accruals basis.
- Voluntary income by way of donations and gifts is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable.

**d) Resources expended and irrecoverable VAT**

Resources expended including grants are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis.

Commitment to fund future grants are recognised as liabilities once the obligation has been communicated to the grant recipient. Where there is an annual review or other performance review related conditions which means that the charity may withdraw a commitment if the conditions are not met, the liability is not recognised until the conditions have been fulfilled, and the commitment can no longer be revoked.

Expenditure includes VAT which is not recoverable by the charity.

The majority of costs are attributable to specific charitable activities.

Support costs include central functions and are allocated to cost categories on the basis of staff time spent on those cost categories.

Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity.

**e) Allocation of support costs**

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs include back office costs, finance, personnel, payroll and governance costs which support the Trusts artistic programmes and activities. These costs have been allocated between cost of raising funds and expenditure on charitable activities. Further detail can be found in Note 5.

**f) Operating leases**

The charity classifies the leasing of office equipment as operating leases, the title remains with the lessor. Rental charges are charged on a straight line basis over the lease period.

**g) Tax status**

Oracle Cancer Trust has suffered no tax charge, as it is not subject to UK Corporation tax on its charitable activities.

h) **Fund Accounting**

Funds held by the charity are either:

Unrestricted general funds - these are funds that can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Designated funds - these are funds that are set aside by the trustees out of unrestricted general funds for specific future purposes or projects.

Restricted funds - these are funds that are subject to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor.

i) **Fixed assets**

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

Computer equipment - Straight line over 3 years

j) **Government grants**

Government Grants represent funding received from the AMRC for qualifying projects.

Funds are recognised on receipt.

k) **Financial Instruments**

l) **Cash and cash equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents include cash at banks and in hand and short term deposits with a maturity date of three months or less.

m) **Debtors and creditors**

Debtors and creditors receivable or payable within one year of the reporting date are carried at their at transaction price. Debtors and creditors that are receivable or payable in more than one year and not subject to a market rate of interest are measured at the present value of the expected future receipts or payment discounted at a market rate of interest.

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<b>1a) DONATIONS</b>		<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
General donations	restricted	169,342	119,473
	unrestricted funds	386,507	219,605
Grant funding	restricted	19,200	124,793
	unrestricted funds	18,500	10,500
Legacies	restricted	-	-
	unrestricted funds	54,022	-
		<u>647,571</u>	<u>474,371</u>

The Trust benefits greatly from the involvement and enthusiastic support of its many volunteers, details of which are given in our annual report. In accordance with FRS 102 and the Charities SORP (FRS 102), the economic contribution of general volunteers is not recognised in the accounts.

<b>2) INVESTMENT INCOME</b>		<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Bank interest receivable -	unrestricted funds	883	3,475
		<u>883</u>	<u>3,475</u>

<b>3) COSTS OF GENERATING VOLUNTARY AND FUNDRAISED INCOME</b>		<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Unrestricted</b>			
Fundraising Costs	Salaries and Fees	53,924	99,649
	Events	189,320	13,448
Support Costs allocated (Note 5)		74,284	42,209
		<u>317,528</u>	<u>155,306</u>

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<b>4) CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES AND GOVERNANCE COSTS</b>		<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Research grants		59,525	2,852
	Salaries	181,121	68,979
Impact delivery	Patient Support	0	28,133
	Website	11,116	5,631
	Events	1,821	22,300
	Other Research Costs	306,032	23,232
Support costs (Note 5)		11,669	9,601
Governance costs (Note 6)		29,477	48,071
		<u>600,761</u>	<u>208,798</u>

All grants are payable to a range of research organisations to cover salaries and expenses of researchers.

During 2025 the charity was paying grants accrued in prior years.

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<b>5) SUPPORT COSTS</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Sub-contractors	48,900	25,084
PR consultancy	836	7,456
Printing, postage, stationery and database	7,258	12,160
Other office, travel and sundry	23,074	8,771
Recruitment	8,160	0
Allocated to Charitable activities (Note 4)	(11,669)	(9,601)
Allocated to Governance costs (Note 6)	(2,275)	(1,661)
	<u>74,284</u>	<u>42,209</u>

Sub-contractors includes the Chief Executive and Operations Manager

The Trust identifies its support costs, it then identifies those costs relating to Governance.

The remaining support costs are allocated between Cost of Generating Funds and Governance costs.

Staff and related costs are allocated on a time basis, overheads are allocated in proportion to staff time.

<b>6) GOVERNANCE COSTS</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Bookkeeping and external audit	27,202	27,181
Legal and other professional	-	19,229
Support costs allocated (Note 5)	2,275	1,661
	<u>29,477</u>	<u>48,071</u>

<b>7) NET EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
This is stated after charging (net of VAT):		
Fees payable to the Auditor	5,250	5,250
Depreciation charge for the year	284	284
	<u>5,534</u>	<u>5,534</u>

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	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
Salaries	259,943	159,986
Employer NI	29,346	12,512
Pension costs	4,718	3,167
Total employment costs	<u>294,007</u>	<u>175,665</u>

The number of higher paid staff withing the following scales were:

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
£110,000 - £120,000	1	-
£60,000 - £69,999	-	2

During the year the average numbers of employees was 5 (2024 : 4)

The key management personnel of the charity comprise the trustees and CEO. The total compensation paid to key management personnel amounted to £136,950 (2024 : £129,999).

No trustee was remunerated in the current or preceeding year. Total key management personnel costs of one (2024: two) individuals.

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9) TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	<b><u>2025</u></b>
	Computer Equipment £
<b>Cost or Valuation</b>	
At 31 May 2024	852
Additions	
Disposals	
<b>At 31 May 2025</b>	<b><u>852</u></b>
<b>Depreciation</b>	
At 31 May 2024	402
Charge for the year	284
Eliminated	
<b>At 31 May 2025</b>	<b><u>686</u></b>
<b>Net Book Value</b>	
<b>At 31 May 2025</b>	<b><u>166</u></b>
<b>At 31 May 2024</b>	<b><u>450</u></b>



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<b>10) DEBTORS</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Grant and event debtors	-	5,000
Other debtors and prepayments	200	30,000
	<u>200</u>	<u>35,000</u>

<b>11) CREDITORS - Due within 1 year</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Grant accruals	81,712	80,076
Deferred Income and other accruals	11,715	7,215
Trade creditors	87,788	33,092
Social security and other taxes	5,941	3,786
Other creditors	1,197	850
	<u>188,353</u>	<u>125,019</u>

<b>12) CREDITORS - Due after 1 year</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Grant accruals	23,637	-
	<u>23,637</u>	<u>-</u>

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13) RESTRICTED FUNDS

	Balance 1 June 2024	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance 31 May 2025
	£	£	£	£	£
AMRC & Swire - Pioneers of Discovery - supporting Fleming and Melake	1,456	0	(1,456)	-	-
AMRC for Lin	16,575	0	(16,575)	-	-
HPV awareness	6,750	0	(6,750)	-	-
PPI projects	53,904	53,500	(97,404)	-	10,000
Late Effects project	5,000	0	0	-	5,000
Oncology meeting, York - Merck	30,000	12,000	(42,000)	-	-
Mercers Livery	1,850	0	0	-	1,850
NaHaNCA Feasibility Study	-	83,000	(83,000)	-	-
Sign Away Cancer	0	12,200	(12,200)	-	-
Education (Fellowship / Scholarship)	0	200	(200)	-	-
Sophie/Pemberton#headneckcheck	-	25,642	(25,642)	-	-
Sue Sherman (Sheffield)	-	-	(41,666)	41,666	-
Oakdale Trust	-	2,000	(2,000)	-	-
	<u>115,535</u>	<u>188,542</u>	<u>(328,893)</u>	<u>41,666</u>	<u>16,850</u>
	Balance 1 June 2023	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance 31 May 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
CHK/AMRC / Mason Le Page / Get-a-head for Koteva	-	30,000	-	(30,000)	-
AMRC & Swire - Pioneers of Discovery - supporting Fleming and Melake	16,998	48,965	(15,340)	(49,167)	1,456
AMRC for Lin	16,814	0	(239)	-	16,575
AMRC for Cicero / Sala	1,100		(1,100)	-	-
AMRC for Marsh	-	34,078	(9)	(34,069)	-
HPV awareness	-	6,750	-	-	6,750
PPI projects	-	53,904	-	-	53,904
Young Tongues	-	10,569	(10,569)	-	-
Late Effects project	-	5,000	-	-	5,000
Inequalities project	-	25,000	-	(25,000)	-
Oncology meeting, York - Merck	-	30,000	-	-	30,000
Mercers Livery	1,850	-	-	-	1,850
	<u>36,762</u>	<u>244,266</u>	<u>(27,257)</u>	<u>(138,236)</u>	<u>115,535</u>

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**14) UNRESTRICTED FUNDS**

	Balance 1 June 2024	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance 31 May 2025
	£	£	£		£
Designated funds					
Blair Hesketh Memorial	60,473		(3,960)	(56,513)	-
General unrestricted funds	140,030	459,912	(585,436)	14,847	29,353
	<u>200,503</u>	<u>459,912</u>	<u>(589,396)</u>	<u>(41,666)</u>	<u>29,353</u>
	Balance 1 June 2023	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance 31 May 2024
	£	£	£		£
Designated funds					
Blair Hesketh Memorial	64,793		(4,320)		60,473
General unrestricted funds	79,690	254,632	(332,528)	138,236	140,030
	<u>144,483</u>	<u>254,632</u>	<u>(336,848)</u>	<u>138,236</u>	<u>200,503</u>

The Blair Hesketh Memorial Fund has been set up to provide funds for the Blair Hesketh lectures.

**15) TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES**

No trustee received any remuneration or reimbursement for expenses in respect of the current year or preceding period.

**16) RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

There are no related party transactions to disclose for 2025 (2024: none). There are no donations from related parties which are outside the normal course of business and no restricted donations from related parties.

Disclosures relating to Key Management Personnel are detailed in Note 8

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**17) ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS**

	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Fund Designated</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>2025 Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Tangible fixed assets	166	-	-	166
Debtors	200	-	-	200
Cash at bank and in hand	76,805	-	181,022	257,827
Creditors due within one year	(24,181)	-	(164,172)	(188,353)
Creditors due after one year	(23,637)	-	-	(23,637)
Balance on fund	29,353	-	16,850	46,203

**18) CONTROL**

The Charity is controlled by the Trustees under the terms of the Trust Deed.