

Charity registration number 1169168

**THE WINDSOR BENEFIT TRUST**  
**ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023**

# THE WINDSOR BENEFIT TRUST

## LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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Mr C Aitken  
Ms E A I Ligere  
Mr S Treadgold

**Charity number**

1169168

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**Independent examiner**

Robert Barry Perez  
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# THE WINDSOR BENEFIT TRUST

## TRUSTEES' REPORT

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

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The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2023.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 3 to the financial statements and comply with the the trust's governing document, 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 1 January 2019).

#### Objectives and activities

Advancement of the arts and music in and around Windsor, the preservation, restoration and maintenance of items of architectural/historical significance in and around Windsor and other charitable purposes in and around Windsor including supporting the Windsor Festival Society.

The aims of the Windsor Benefit Trust are:

1. To support cultural activities in Windsor, most particularly the Windsor Festival.
2. To help finance the activities of the Outdoor Trust.
3. To undertake restoration work, most particularly in St George's Chapel, Windsor Castle.

In 2016, a project was embarked upon to restore the Garter Banners of King Edward VII and Queen Alexandra which previously hung above their tombs, but had been removed in 1990 due to significant deterioration; thanks to some brilliant work by Hand & Lock, this was completed in 2022.

The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the trust should undertake.

During the year, a fountain commemorating the Platinum Jubilee, which was being built near Henry VIII Gate outside Windsor Castle, on which work commenced in the previous year, was completed.

There has been no expenditure on fundraising. All expenditure in the current year related to the late Queen's Jubilee celebrations in the summer of 2022.

#### Achievements and performance

All income and expenditure related to the late Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations, culminating in the events of May 2022 and June 2022.

During the year, the charity consolidated its position and had few other transactions, other than making plans instead for the future – as explained further below.

#### Financial review

The charity has sufficient funds to continue their charitable work in and around Windsor for the foreseeable future. The other running costs are very low and expected to continue to be so. Accordingly, the trustees believe the finances of the charity are in a satisfactory condition.

It is the policy of the the trust that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level sufficient to meet forthcoming events and sundry expenditure.

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the trust may be exposed, which relate to financial viability and dependence on the trustees, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate such exposure.

In accordance with its charitable aims and objectives, the charity will contribute in such a manner and to such extent as may be desirable and conducive to on-going work for a fountain commemorating Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee in 2022, which is being built outside Windsor Castle. It has been completed in 2023.

#### Structure, governance and management

The Trust was incorporated and registered with the Charity Commission on 14 September 2016, charity registration no. 1169168.

## **THE WINDSOR BENEFIT TRUST**

### **TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)**

#### **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023**

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The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

Mr H Vickers

Mr C Aitken

Ms E A I Ligere

Mr S Treadgold

Mr G Barker

(Resigned 18 December 2023)

The recruitment and appointment of new trustees is agreed by the existing trustees at trustees' meetings.

There were no related parties apart from the trustees.

The trustees' report was approved by the board of trustees.

**Ms E A I Ligere**

Trustee

Dated: 3 April 2024

# THE WINDSOR BENEFIT TRUST

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

### TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE WINDSOR BENEFIT TRUST

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I report on the accounts of the the trust for the year ended 30 June 2023, which are set out on pages 4 to 9.

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in this report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees as a body, for my work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

#### **Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The the trust's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- (i) examine the financial statements under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- (ii) to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- (iii) to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

#### **Basis of independent examiner's report**

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 financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements, 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 financial statements present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the next statement.

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

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

- (a) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
  - (i) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
  - (ii) to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act;have not been met or
- (b) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

Robert Barry Perez  
Silver Levene (UK) Limited

Chartered Certified Accountants  
37 Warren Street  
London  
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Dated: 3 April 2024

# THE WINDSOR BENEFIT TRUST

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

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	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
<b><u>Income from:</u></b>			
Donations and legacies	2	243,034	335,035
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<b><u>Expenditure on:</u></b>			
Charitable activities	4	300,893	231,989
Other	8	1,435	1,258
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<b>Total expenditure</b>		302,328	233,247
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<b>Net (expenditure)/income for the year/ Net movement in funds</b>		(59,294)	101,788
Fund balances at 1 July 2022		121,239	19,451
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<b>Fund balances at 30 June 2023</b>		61,945	121,239
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The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

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# THE WINDSOR BENEFIT TRUST

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT 30 JUNE 2023

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	Notes	2023 £	£	2022 £	£
<b>Current assets</b>					
Cash at bank and in hand		63,382		122,496	
<b>Current liabilities</b>	<b>9</b>	<u>(1,437)</u>		<u>(1,257)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>61,945</u>		<u>121,239</u>
<b>Income funds</b>					
Unrestricted funds - general			<u>61,945</u>		<u>121,239</u>
			<u>61,945</u>		<u>121,239</u>

The accounts were approved by the trustees on 3 April 2024

Ms E A I Ligere  
**Trustee**

# THE WINDSOR BENEFIT TRUST

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (CONTINUED)

AS AT 30 JUNE 2023

### 1 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the the trust'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 ongoing 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 from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Unrestricted funds 2022 £
Donations and gifts	243,034	335,035

### 3 Accounting policies

#### 3.1 Accounting convention

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the trust's internal rules, 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)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016). The the trust is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The the trust 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.

The financial statements have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure has involved following the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102 rather than the version of the Statement of Recommended Practice which is referred to in the Regulations but which has since been withdrawn.

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

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

#### 3.2 Going concern

The UK economy is currently facing unprecedented uncertainty about the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, together with the extent and duration of social distancing measures imposed by the UK Government. The trustees have foreseen the challenges in the coming months and considered carefully the potential impact of these matters. In taking into account available cash resources (including access to existing financing facilities) and the extent of support provided by the UK Government announced as of the date of signing these financial statements, the trustees have continued to adopt the going concern basis of accounting.

# THE WINDSOR BENEFIT TRUST

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

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#### 3 Accounting policies

(Continued)

##### 3.3 Charitable funds

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

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

Endowment funds are subject to specific conditions by donors that the capital must be maintained by the trust.

##### 3.4 Income

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

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the trust has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount.

##### 3.5 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. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

##### Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include trade and other receivables 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.

##### Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including trade and other payables and bank loans 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 payments 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.

Trade payables are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade payables are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

##### Derecognition of financial liabilities

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

# THE WINDSOR BENEFIT TRUST

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

### 4 Charitable activities

	2023 £	2022 £
Charitable expenditure	300,893	231,989

### 5 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the trust during the year.

### 6 Employees

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was more than £60,000.

### 7 Taxation

The charity is exempt from taxation on its activities because all its income is applied for charitable purposes.

### 8 Other

	2023 £	2022 £
Supports costs	1,435	1,258
	1,435	1,258

Support costs includes governance costs of £1,150 + VAT (2022 - £1,050 + VAT).

### 9 Current liabilities

	2023 £	2022 £
Accruals and deferred income	1,437	1,257

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023

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#### 10 Unrestricted funds

The unrestricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants which are not subject to specific conditions by donors and grantors as to how they may be used. These include designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes.

	At 1 July 2022	Incoming resources	Resources expended	At 30 June 2023
	£	£	£	£
General funds	121,239	243,034	(302,328)	61,945
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<b>Previous year:</b>	<b>At 1 July 2021</b>	<b>Incoming resources</b>	<b>Resources expended</b>	<b>At 30 June 2022</b>
	£	£	£	£
General funds	19,451	335,035	(233,247)	121,239
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#### 11 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year.