

Charity Registration No. 1170878
Company Registration No. CE009464 (England and Wales)

RAINY DAY TRUST
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

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REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2021.

The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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 January 2015).

Reference and Administration Information

The Rainy Day Trust was founded in 1843, and is registered with the Charity Commission as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation under charity number 1170878. The Charity's trustees and particulars professional advisers are included within this trustees report. The Charity became a CIO on 21 December 2016.

The financial statements for the CIO represent the combined assets, liabilities and funds of the two legal entities as though they have always been part of the same organisation.

The trustees consider this approach to be consistent with the requirements of the SORP and it provides a clear comparative of the financial statements and financial position with previous reporting periods.

The treatment is appropriate because the CIO was formed expressly to take over the work of the charity. The two entities have the same name and address and are party to the same organisation. There is no significant change to the beneficiaries, purposes or control of the organisation.

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Charitable Objectives

The object of the CIO is, for the public benefit, to relieve and assist persons in need who are, or have been engaged in, hardware / DIY, housewares, brushware, pottery, glass, builders merchants, ironmongery, garden supply, and all allied trades, and their dependants, in particular, but not exclusively, by providing advice, support and financial assistance.

Vision and Mission Statements

Our work has always been driven by a desire to provide support and information to people from our industry. To achieve this, the Trust has adopted the Vision and Mission statements as set out below:

Vision Statement

"The RDT is working towards a time when all those who have worked in the home improvement and enhancement industry have the funds they need to live."

Mission Statement

"The Rainy Day Trust will work both alone and in partnership with other organizations, either commercial or charitable, to provide financial and other assistance that will improve the quality of life of those individuals and families from the industries that it supports, who have fallen on hard times."

To support these statements, we also developed a series of charity values that help underpin the work:

Transparency and openness

We will build open and transparent relationships to help us deliver better services to those that need our help.

Fairness and Equality

We will treat everyone with respect and understanding.

Energy in pursuing our goals

We will not rest until we have done all we can to provide the help that an applicant needs.

Inclusivity

We listen to everyone's view, giving equal weight to their opinion. We collaborate with partners to ensure that we include as many views as possible on our services.

Compassion and empathy

We will never be judgemental of others, we will listen, learn and understand the needs of those we are seeking to help.

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Public benefit

The trustees confirm that they have referred to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit, and on the prevention and relief of poverty when reviewing the Trust's performance against its set objectives, and planning future activity. In all of the Trust's activities, both current and planned, the Board of Trustees is confident that the "public benefit requirement" is met.

For all applications to the Trust, the assessment of the application takes into account the household income and expenditure. A savings limit has been set, and in the main all applicants are on a very low income or pension. The Trust does not give preferential treatment to any demographic group, and accepts applications purely on an objective set of eligibility criteria.

The Trustees have taken the view that where we are able to make a material difference, particularly with priority debt, where eviction or imprisonment may be prevented, we will consider clearing an applicants debt.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Chairman's Report

I took over the chairmanship of the Rainy Day Trust on 31 May 2021 and would like to thank Peter Stone for his sterling work over the previous three years. He guided the charity successfully through the stormy waters of the first batch of Covid-19 lockdowns and ensured that the charity was well placed to survive the problems associated with the virus.

Last year was a difficult one in so many ways; income proved elusive for the middle section of the year as many of our events were cancelled, but we are grateful for the continued support of our business partners that stayed loyal to us and helped us to finish the year stronger than we expected. The trustees had accepted that we would make a loss of around £95,000 in 2021 and have made provision to meet that cost from reserves, but income proved to be more resilient than forecast and we finished the year with a much smaller loss at £13,186. As we work alongside four disparate areas of home improvement industry, we witnessed the ebb and flow of challenges that affected the economy, and remained alert to opportunities to help our colleagues.

As I begin my 3 year tenure as Chairman, I want to ensure that we reach the businesses that we support with a clear message of who we are and what we can do to help their staff. Too many people in need are unaware of us, and what we can do, and too many businesses do not understand the benefit to them of working with us. I have no doubt that 2022 will prove to be challenging in many ways, not least because of the unpredictability of our income streams, but also as the needs of our beneficiary group are likely to keep changing. That said, we have proved to be swift to learn and adapt to the changing circumstances and I am confident that we can deal with whatever is thrown at us.

James Norton
Chairman

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Chief Executive Officer's Report

The Rainy Day Trust has had another challenging year, but one in which our reach and impact have increased once again. More businesses have realised that if they work with us closely, we can help tackle a myriad of issues for colleagues that HR teams simply don't have the time to deal with. Our reach is longer and we have the contacts within the Third Sector to find solutions and help for even the most complex of problems.

It has been rewarding to see the "lightbulb moment" when managers realise that we can make their lives easier and engage. In an ideal world, there wouldn't need to be a charity like ours to even exist as central government would fulfil its proper role. Sadly, no government can afford to take on that level of work, and so we do exist and are here to help. Although our primary purpose is centred on direct financial assistance, we can and do tackle those related problems that can be so debilitating for people.

The Covid-19 virus looks like it is going to be part of our lives for many years to come and so we spent much of last year developing resilient fundraising plans to make sure that we could survive. As the Chairman has noted, our "loss" in 2021 was much lower than we had feared, but it was a loss nonetheless and no charity can run that way indefinitely. Without the sterling support of a number of businesses, the picture would have been very different indeed. We pay homage to these incredible people at the end of this report, listing the businesses that have been instrumental in keeping us afloat. All charities carry a certain level of reserves to survive the "rainy days", and prudent reserves are central to survival. For the last 2 years we have fought against a deluge of rain, and eaten deep into our reserves, but that is what they are there for. Now our task is to rebuild that resilience while continuing to provide the help that is so desperately needed. The coming 18-24 months are difficult to predict but we will do all that we can to meet the ongoing needs of our industries and be there when people need us.

Bryan Clover
Chief Executive Officer

Grant Making Report

Activity for the Year

The Covid-19 virus changed its impact once again in 2021 with a much greater focus on mental health needs, which in turn placed great pressures on family's budgets. By working closely with businesses we were able to ensure that people could access help quickly and discreetly, tackling what were often highly complex personal situations.

During 2021, our most vulnerable group of beneficiaries, those that receive an annual award, remained stable at 58 families, although they did need additional help, particularly with energy bills. Higher inflation and fuel prices have continued to put considerable strain on family budgets.

To try and tackle the cost of one-off grants, we bought much of the purchases back in-house, ensuring that the best value for money was achieved each and every time. In addition, we shared the cost of some awards with other charities, allowing us to stretch our resources further.

Evolving Service Delivery

Being small and agile, we were able to constantly adapt during the year, meeting the changing needs of our beneficiary group. We found new ways to help reduce stress and anxiety and, hence reduce the financial impact brought about by these conditions. Our focus as always is on improving a family or individual's financial position, but we need to be flexible in how we achieve that. Many outside pressures such as stress and anxiety, or other medical conditions affect a family's ability to earn income, so we have sought to help wherever we can.

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Grant Assessment

All applications for grants or financial assistance are considered and fully assessed by the sub contracted case-working team and are either passed to the CEO for a decision if within his delegated powers of authority or sent to the Grants Committee in accordance with a detailed and objective set of guidelines. The Trust's aim is to be flexible in the way that it follows the eligibility criteria and it understands that applicants do not always work to a 'one size fits all' standard. Overlaying our procedures is the view that as a benevolence charity, our primary aim is to help people from our industry and we will always aim to help wherever we can. Where we are not able to help directly, it is our policy to identify alternative sources of assistance and refer the applicant on.

The Trust's Constitution defines our industry as individuals and their dependants, who have worked in the Hardware/DIY, Housewares, Pottery & Glass, Brushware, Builders Merchants, Garden Supply and allied trades. This is a very broad and evolving group and to guide our assessments, we use the product category listing from the British Home Enhancement Trade Association (BHETA) – if the company the applicant worked for manufactured, distributed or sold the products in that listing, it is highly likely that the individual would meet our occupational criterion. This gives us a fairly exhaustive, but not complete, list and we would aim to deal with other businesses or products sympathetically.

There are no age restrictions for those who the Trust helps; however, it is worth noting that for those in receipt of annual awards, about 3/4 are over 65 years old. All beneficiaries have worked for a qualifying company for at least 1 year. This length of service requirement was reduced from 3 years in March 2017. An example of those who could be helped would be those who are unable to work due to an illness or disability, have been made redundant, or who are retired on a small pension. People who are still working could also qualify for assistance if they are living on a low income. The Trust has a savings limit linked to the upper DWP capital limit. Rather than having to keep recording a change each time the DWP rules changes, we do not refer to the limit itself. Personal possessions, belongings and the person's home are normally ignored when assessing capital.

In income terms, the Trust would aim to provide financial assistance to those applicants who are in receipt of means-tested benefits, such as Income Support, Job Seekers Allowance, Pension Credit, Employment Support Allowance and Housing Benefit. The roll-out of Universal Credit continues to be a major cause of concern not only for the recipients, but also for the charity sector as a whole. The delays in receiving funds, leave people struggling to pay even the most basic of bills.

We feel that when we consider expenditure, it is important to consider each applicant's circumstances fully and not make generalisations. For example, the provision of public transport in London is much better than that in a more rural location, and so a car might be considered essential in the countryside. Moreover, an early intervention in a case that is just outside our financial criteria could prevent a problem becoming worse.

Volunteer Home Visits

Every 12-18 months the majority of beneficiaries are visited by a volunteer who provides a direct link to the Trust and also allows us an insight into the beneficiary's on-going needs and how they have changed over time. Once again in 2021, Covid-19 curtailed this work as we were unable to operate the system safely and within Covid safe rules. Instead the Connect Assist caseworkers made contact by telephone to check on the beneficiaries. For some, the visit is their only contact with the world beyond their family. The annual visit is invaluable in that it is the only face to face contact with the applicant that we have, and is a rare opportunity to see how else we might be able to help them.

Many applicants find the process of applying for charitable assistance difficult and don't like to ask for more than they need. By using a volunteer, we can encourage them to identify other forms of assistance that they may need and achieve a better quality of life. Toolbank, one of our industry partners, has continued to offer members of staff to provide this service to the Charity free of charge, and we are immensely grateful to them for this help. During 2021 no home visits were carried out due to Covid-19: (2020: 0).

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Supporting Programmes

The Charity believes that by enhancing our grants programme with other areas of help, we can help applicants tackle the underlying causes of poverty, not just the immediate impact of need. Our range of services are designed to help achieve this. These include:

Legal Express – a free one-hour telephone based legal advice service giving beneficiaries the opportunity to see legal advice at no cost. We are able to pay for follow up sessions if required.

Telephone Counselling – five x 30-minute telephone based counselling sessions for those with minor mental health issues that struggle with face-to-face support services. Our aim is to tackle stress and anxiety allowing individuals to lead a better life.

Apprenticeship Support – financial support for apprentices across the country, delivered through established suppliers whereby the Charity provides either direct financial support or the provision of safety equipment, toolkits and other related items.

E-Learning – a range of e-Learning packages designed to help individuals re-train, or improve their employability.

Debt Advice – a free debt advice and solutions programme delivered on our behalf by the Debt Advice Foundation. This service is free to both the end user and the Trust.

Welfare Benefits Checker – the provision of an on-line welfare benefits calculator, free at point of use, to identify the welfare benefits to which an individual may be entitled. The calculator is provided by Entitledto, the leading welfare benefits provider in the UK.

Tenovus Cancer Care Partnership – the provision of a wide range of help and advice to those affected by cancer.

Let's Save Energy - the provision of free LED lightbulbs, ECO shower heads and radiator reflectors designed to drive down energy usage and so cut energy bills in the longer term.

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Supporters and Partners

We have been privileged to receive support from a wide variety of sources, including businesses in the industries that we are allied to. The Trustees would like to offer their thanks to the following Trusts, who have made donations or provided help to the Trust during 2021

Trusts and Foundations

The following trusts and foundations supported our work during 2021, and we wish to express our sincere gratitude to them for their support.

Arnold Clark Foundation - £1,000 x 2
ASDA Foundation - £900
Barratt Developments Charitable Trust - £3,000
Casa Stella - £2,000
CB and HH Taylor Charitable Trust - £500
Dexham Trust - £250
Fifty Fund - £500
Francis Winham Foundation - £15,000
GE Gee Charitable Trust - £1,000
GJW Turner Trust - £2,000
JC Seccombe Charitable Trust - £150
LCVS - £250
Lilly C Johnson Trust - £500
Michael Marsh Foundation - £2,000
RS Brownless Charitable Trust - £200
Sobell Foundation - £10,000
Sydney Black Charitable Trust - £500
Worcestershire Community Foundation - £10,000
Worshipful Company of Builders Merchants - £4,000

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial Position

The trust finished the 2021 financial year with a small operating deficit of £13,186; a major improvement on 2020 where the loss was over £115,000. The Charity was operating as lean as possible throughout the year, and opportunities to lock in cost savings were taken whenever they appeared. The virus continued to affect income from events and many cancellations across our industries resulted in major falls in income, including the cancelation of the Rally once again.

Our original budget for 2021 forecast a loss of £95,000 and the Board took the decision that no-one would be turned away if they were in need of assistance. By bringing much of the purchase of items needed by applicants back in house, we were able to reduce costs and ensure the very best value for money.

Personal challenges and events were major sources of income, and the £10,000 raised by our CEO was in no small part due to the generous support of Dulux and Kellaway Building Supplies. Where we were able to attend awards dinners throughout the year we worked to maximise income at every step, and the use of a portable credit card machine meant that we didn't miss out on any donations, although these donations did incur a small fee of 2.95% for remote charging. Just as in 2020, the final 6 weeks of the year saw a significant improvement in income, with major donations from Stax Trade Centres, NBG, and SIG Roofing.

Support from our corporate partners was stronger than ever, with more partners joining and greater involvement from existing members. SIG Roofing made us their industry charity of the year, and Kellaway Building Supplies continued to broaden their support in many ways.

Annual Award and sundry grants for 2021 fell by 9% to £138,496 (2020: £152,043) due to the cost saving measures mentioned above. During the year the trustees continued the policy of making annual and one-off grants, assisted beneficiaries towards the cost of television licences as well as making awards for holiday grants, telephone costs and the new fuel poverty grant.

During the year we made a total of 58 annual awards and 130 one-off gifts, with a lot of additional help given for mental health issues. Our youngest beneficiary was a 17 year old apprentice, and the oldest was 98. The virus meant that the majority (63%) of our applications were received from people of working age, continuing the trend that had started in 2016. While the power tool programme for apprentices remained suspended during the year, we found that we received more applications from younger people that had been furloughed instead, seeking support with basic living costs. These were dealt with under our routine application process.

Fundraising performance

As has been mentioned above the fundraising environment was very tough during the year across all of our income generating activities.

The corporate partner and subscription income improved markedly at £76,279 in 2021 (2020 £42,599) while income from donations fell slightly to £87,835 (2020 £90,060). The generosity of Stax Trade Centres, NBG and SIG Roofing helped us enormously at year end.

The general trading uncertainty forced a number of companies to cease their partnership support altogether or focus on charities local to them. Usually a strong source of income, awards dinners through the year disappeared altogether as the events themselves were cancelled. However once again the Christmas Appeal was strong with us surpassing our target of £4,000 to support the Christmas hamper programme, raising £5,253, bolstered by generous support from NBG and Burton McCall. Almost all of the Christmas markets were cancelled which made selling donated goods incredibly difficult.

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Reserves Policy

The Trust operates a reserves policy with a total return approach and a medium attitude to risk. The difficult fundraising environment of the past 2 years has had a major impact on our reserves, but the Board of Trustees believe that our priority is to meet the need of those struggling, and so are content with the current plans.

The trustees still take the view that a certain level of free reserves must be retained to ensure that we are able to maintain our payments to those beneficiaries that receive ongoing regular payments.

This view proved to be prudent as it allowed us to survive what was undoubtedly a torrid year for income generation. Without stable reserves the charity may not have survived the year.

Investments Policy

As at 31 December 2021 the Trust held investments and cash at bank with a market value of £719,496; a slight decrease of £3,247 on the same position at the end of 2020.

We have a major asset in our office space which has also helped with the diversification of our asset base should the stock market suffer a major fall. By renting out the spare office space, we hope to generate a new income stream.

The Trustees monitor the performance of these investments on a quarterly basis both absolutely and by means of comparison to the Retail Price Index, peer benchmarks and to relevant stock market indices.

The Trustees have given the investment managers discretion to manage the portfolio.

Future Plans

The next year could be a very different beast in terms of what assistance is required by our beneficiary group as well as a tough fundraising environment. We will remain agile and able to adapt to changing needs, delivering the services that are needed. For 2022, we have re-formed the Income Generation Committee, re-written the Fundraising Strategy and plan to engage with more businesses as well as focus on larger trust and foundation bids. Having carried out a risk assessment on our income, we plan to broaden our reach to new donor audiences, minimising the risk of 'all our eggs in one basket'.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing Document

The Charity, operating under its status as a CIO, has a constitution as its governing document (registration number 1170878).

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year were:

Mr P Stone	(Retired 31 May 2021)
Mr J Norton	
Ms C Holland	
Mr H Boyce	
Mr R Campbell-Drew	
Mr S Clemson	
Mr S Donaldson	
Mr A Frogley	
Ms F Garcia	

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Mr D Hibbert
Ms A Hicks
Mr J Moody
Mr J Poore
Mr A Williamson
Mr R Willis

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The Constitution permits up to 15 trustees, although for the duration of the year the charity operated with 14. Routinely, trustees serve for a three-year term, but can be re-elected for a further three years.

All trustees sign a declaration of acceptance and agree to act within the Constitution of the Trust. On election, Trustees receive a detailed briefing of procedures and management and are also given an induction pack with full details about the Charity. They are given access to Trustee Training Courses organised by third parties.

Organisational Structure

The Honorary Officers together constitute a Finance and Executive Committee operating to a separate set of Terms of Reference to which the Board may, from time to time, delegate such of its functions as it thinks fit. The Finance and Executive Committee has continued to provide responsive advice and guidance to the CEO on taking the Charity's activities and programmes forward during what became a year of consolidation.

The Board of Trustees is supported in its work by a number of sub-committees:

- Finance & Executive Committee – to review and report to the Board on the management accounts and investments, and deal with all governance related issues as directed by the Board.
- Income Generation and Marketing Committee – to oversee the fundraising and events projects and to provide specialist advice on all marketing and communications activity.
- Grants Committee – to recommend ongoing policy relating to grant-making and review and make decisions on grant applications within the criteria set by the Constitution and the Board.

The Board holds four meetings a year under a comprehensive agenda covering finance, fundraising and welfare issues as well as discussions and decisions relating to future strategy. At the Board meetings, the trustees agree the on-going strategy for the Trust and review the activities since the previous meeting. The Marketing and Communications and Income Generation Committee and the Grants Committee each meet twice a year.

All trustees give their time freely. Trustees may claim travel and subsistence expenses should they choose to.

Management

For 2021, the Management of the Charity was vested in a Board of Trustees which was comprised of the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, the Honorary Secretary, the Honorary Treasurer and Members. The day-to-day running of the Charity is carried out by the Chief Executive Officer.

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Fundraising

Our approach to fundraising has always followed best practice and ensured that we never apply undue pressure on donors. Our main focus has always been on raising funds from the commercial sector rather than individuals. We can state clearly and categorically that:

- a. Our fundraising activity will always operate within the law as defined by the Charities (Protection and Social Investment) Act 2016 and the guidance as laid down in the Charity Commission's documents CC15b and CC20.
- b. That our independent fundraisers will only make applications to trusts and foundations and never to individuals. They will be monitored closely and all fundraising approaches must be signed off by the Chief Executive Officer before submission.
- c. All fundraising activity will conform to the standards as laid down by the Fundraising Regulator.
- d. Any complaints regarding fundraising will be dealt with fairly and openly and lessons learned will be applied immediately.
- e. Our fundraising activity will always protect the public, including vulnerable individuals, from intrusive or persistent fundraising approaches.

Financial Statements

Law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the charity's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing financial statements giving a true and fair view, the Trustees should follow best practice and:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any 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 charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the charity and which enable them to ascertain the financial position of the charity and which enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008.

The Board have appointed a Chief Executive Officer for carrying out the strategic planning, operational delivery of services and administration and general work of the Trust, together with duties of a routine nature delegated by the Honorary Secretary. The Charity is based at its Head Office at 8 The Courtyard, Harris Business Park, Hanbury Road, Stoke Prior, B60 4DJ.

The Trust has developed systems of internal control which are designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance against material mis-statement or loss. They include:

- Regular consideration by the Trustees of financial results, variance from budgets, non-financial performance of indicators and benchmarking reviews;
- Delegation of authority and segregation of duties where practically possible;
- Identification and management of risks.

Related parties

The Trust has a 100% shareholding in RMTBS Limited, a company incorporated in the UK. RMTBS Limited undertakes the organisation of some of the Trust's fundraising activities.

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Risk management

The Trustees have established a robust risk management policy and believe that they have identified the major risks to the Charity. The major risks are: financial sustainability; meeting the evolving needs of our beneficiary group, and growing the Trust's charitable activities in a planned and managed way.

The Trustees apply a risk management process to assess business risks and implement risk management strategies. This involves identifying the types of risks the charity faces, prioritising them in terms of potential impact and likelihood of occurrence and identifying means of mitigating those risks. Safeguards are established at all points in the control of our financial activities, and reputational risk is managed by ensuring that strict sign-off protocols are adhered to.

The Charity is committed to:

- Actively managing risk in a way that does not hinder our charitable work.
- Encouraging an open and honest dialogue with all stakeholder groups to foster learning and shared experience.
- Embedding the control system in the Charity's operations so that it becomes part of the culture of the Charity.
- Developing systems to respond quickly to evolving risks from factors within the Charity and to changes in the external environment.
- Including the procedures for reporting failings immediately to appropriate levels of management and the Trustees together with details of corrective action being undertaken.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1170878

Registered Company number

CE009464

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DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

The trustees 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).

The law applies to charities in England and Wales, the Charities Act 2011, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed 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 charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently

Observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP

Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent

Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is appropriate to presume that the charity 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 charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 11 MAY 22 and are signed on their behalf by:

J Norton - Trustee



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF RAINY DAY TRUST

We have audited the financial statements of Rainy Day Trust for the year ended 31 December 2021 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Statement of Financial Position and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard 102.

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under section 154 of that Act. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' 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 its trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and auditors

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees Responsibilities, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements which give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees 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 responsibilities 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 a Report of the Independent Auditors that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but it is not a guarantee that an audit conducted 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 aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

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. This description forms part of our Report of the Independent Auditors.

Scope of the audit of the accounts

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the accounts sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the accounts are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the charitable company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the trustees; and the overall presentation of the accounts. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Annual Report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited accounts and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

RAINY DAY TRUST

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED) TO THE MEMBERS OF RAINY DAY TRUST

Opinion on accounts.

In our opinion the accounts:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 December 2021 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including 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 Charities Act 2011.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Charities Act 2011 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the Report is inconsistent in any material respect with the accounts; or
- the accounts are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Other matter

Conclusions relating to going concern

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

The trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not applicable or

The trustees have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the charity's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Mr Mark Warman (Senior Statutory Auditor)
Cognitor Accountancy Limited
Chartered Certified Accountants
Statutory Auditor

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Eligible to act as an auditor in terms of section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006

RAINY DAY TRUST

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Total 2020 £
Income from:			
Donations and legacies	3	224,964	193,484
Charitable activities	5	39,271	10,064
Investments	4	24,962	23,414
Total income		<u>289,197</u>	<u>226,962</u>
Expenditure on:			
Raising funds	6	6,849	21,962
		<u>6,849</u>	<u>21,962</u>
Charitable activities	7	295,534	320,798
Total resources expended		<u>302,383</u>	<u>342,760</u>
Net gains on investments	11	(88,438)	11,221
Net movement in funds		<u>75,252</u>	<u>(127,019)</u>
Fund balances at 1 January 2021		1,326,749	1,453,768
Fund balances at 31 December 2021		<u>1,402,001</u>	<u>1,326,749</u>

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

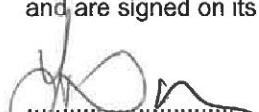
RAINY DAY TRUST

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Notes	2021 £	£	2020 £	£
Fixed assets					
Property, plant and equipment	12	62,830		62,830	
Investment properties	13	352,313		352,313	
Investments	14	837,660		821,200	
		<u>1,252,803</u>		<u>1,236,343</u>	
Current assets					
Trade and other receivables	15	45,510		15,528	
Cash at bank and in hand		109,107		85,393	
		<u>154,617</u>		<u>100,921</u>	
Current liabilities	16	5,419		10,515	
Net current assets			149,198		90,406
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>1,402,001</u>		<u>1,326,749</u>
Income funds					
Unrestricted funds			1,402,001		1,326,749
			<u>1,402,001</u>		<u>1,326,749</u>

The financial statements were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on 11 MAY 22... and are signed on its behalf by:


Mr J Norton
Trustee


Ms C Holland
Trustee

Company Registration No. CE009464

RAINY DAY TRUST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

1 Accounting policies

Company information

Rainy Day Trust is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is 8 The Courtyard, Harris Business Park, Stoke Prior, Bromsgrove, B60 4DJ.

1.1 Accounting convention

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102"), "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102, the Companies Act 2006 and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice as it applies from 1 January 2015. The is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

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

The accounts have been prepared on the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the accounts, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the accounts.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives unless the funds have been designated for other purposes.

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

1.4 Incoming resources

Income is recognised when the 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.

1.5 Resources expended

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 the transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of the resources.

Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end date are noted as commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are included at replacement cost. There are no uncapitalised fixed assets. The Board of Trustees consider their value to be stated at replacement cost with no impairment.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year.

1.7 Investment properties

Investment property is stated at fair value which isn't considered to be materially different to its cost at 31 December 2021.

1.8 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.

1.9 Employee benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

1.10 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

1.11 Consolidated financial statements

Consolidated financial statements have not been prepared as the exemption for small groups under the Charities Act 2011 and the Charities SORP (FRS 102) has been taken.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

The preparation of financial statements requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the company accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements, are disclosed within the individual accounting policies.

3 Donations and legacies

	2021	2020
	£	£
Donations	148,685	150,885
Subscriptions	76,279	42,599

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

4 Investments

	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Rental income	606	1,614
Investment income	24,356	21,800
	<u>24,962</u>	<u>23,414</u>

5 Charitable activities

	2021 £	2020 £
Charitable events	<u>39,271</u>	<u>10,064</u>

6 Raising donations and legacies

	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
<u>Fundraising and publicity</u>		
Staff wages	-	9,516
Social security costs	-	440
Pension	-	312
Fundraising event costs	2,889	6,585
Public relations	-	2,420
	<u>2,889</u>	<u>19,273</u>
<u>Fundraising and publicity</u>		
Investment management	3,960	2,689
	<u>6,849</u>	<u>21,962</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

7 Charitable activities

	2021 £	2020 £
Staff costs	68,540	67,796
Connect Assist	19,177	24,116
Marketing	1,368	8,479
Volunteer expenses and tablets	799	629
Welfare benefits checker	1,200	1,200
Grants payable	138,497	152,043
	<u>229,581</u>	<u>254,263</u>
Share of support costs (see note 8)	62,953	63,535
Share of governance costs (see note 8)	3,000	3,000
	<u>295,534</u>	<u>320,798</u>

8 Support costs

	Support costs £	Governance costs £	2021 £	2020 £
Trustees fees and expenses	-	-	-	190
Wages	34,510	-	34,510	27,427
Social security costs	2,232	-	2,232	1,245
Pensions	-	-	-	355
Insurance	1,549	-	1,549	1,549
CEO expenses	931	-	931	1,813
Secretarial expenses	14,951	-	14,951	19,581
Postage and stationery	1,833	-	1,833	1,320
Web / internet	840	-	840	4,643
Bank charges	114	-	114	90
Rent, rates and utilities	5,991	-	5,991	5,322
Audit fees	-	3,000	3,000	3,000
	<u>62,951</u>	<u>3,000</u>	<u>65,951</u>	<u>66,535</u>
Analysed between				
Charitable activities	<u>62,951</u>	<u>3,000</u>	<u>65,951</u>	<u>66,535</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

9 Employees

The average monthly number of persons (including directors) employed by the company during the year was:

2021 Number	2020 Number
2	3

Their aggregate remuneration comprised:

	2021 £	2020 £
Wages and salaries	94,793	117,646
Social security costs	6,165	9,654
Pension costs	6,132	9,633
	<u>107,090</u>	<u>136,933</u>

10 Trustees remuneration and benefits

There was no trustees remuneration for the year ended 31 December 2021.

Trustees Expenses

Expenses of £0 (2020 £190) were reimbursed to one trustee during the year.

11 Net gains/(losses) on investments

	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Realised gains on investments	72,858	(28,790)
Unrealised gains on investments	15,580	17,569
	<u>88,438</u>	<u>(11,221)</u>

RAINY DAY TRUST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

12 Tangible fixed assets

	Golf trophies £
Cost	
At 1 January 2021	62,830
At 31 December 2021	62,830
Carrying amount	
At 31 December 2021	62,830
At 31 December 2020	62,830

13 Investment property

	2021 £
Fair value	
At 1 January 2021 and 31 December 2021	352,313

In the opinion of the trustees the fair value of the property at 31 December 2021 is not considered to be materially different to its cost price so the investment property will continue to be carried forward at cost.

15 Debtors

	2021 £	2020 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Prepayments and accrued income	45,510	15,528

16 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2021 £	2020 £
Other taxation and social security	-	2,479
Other payables	497	-
Accruals and deferred income	4,922	8,036
	5,419	10,515

