

THE RAY COLLINS CHARITABLE TRUST

Registered Charity 1173358

THE ANNUAL REPORT OF TRUSTEES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 DECEMBER 2023

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Ray Collins

Chairman

## **Declaration**

The report was approved by the trustees on 19<sup>th</sup> December 2024

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature *Melanie Breakspear*

Full name Melanie Breakspear

Position Vice Chair and Secretary

Date 10/02/2025

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	2023			2022		
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Charitable activities			0			0
Other trading activities	12,884		12,884	22,181		22,181
Investments	0		0	0		0
Other						
<b>Total</b>	<b>42,047</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>42,354</b>	<b>53,526</b>	<b>4,050</b>	<b>57,576</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>						
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Other			0			0
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Other gains/(losses)		0	0		0	0
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	<b>3,930</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,930</b>	<b>-7,884</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-7,884</b>



**Balance Sheet**

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<b>Fixed assets</b>				
Tangible assets	131		0	
		<u>131</u>		<u>0</u>
<b>Current Assets</b>				
Stocks	0		0	
Debtors	0		0	
Cash at bank and in hand	28,744		24,933	
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Creditors-amounts falling due within 1 year	252			
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<b>Total</b>	<u><u>38,424</u></u>		<u><u>65,459</u></u>	

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None

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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

The Ray Collins Charitable Trust

On accounts for the year  
ended

31 December 2023

Charity no  
(if any)

1173358

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Responsibilities and  
basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent  
examiner's statement

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

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

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Date:

28/03/2025

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**Section B****Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

**Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.**

No material matters to disclose.