

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1174233

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025
FOR
THE BRENDA VERA COOPER CHARITABLE WILL
TRUST**

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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025**

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 5 April 2025. 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 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

To apply the net income of the trust to the following charitable institutions in equal shares: The British Red Cross Society, Thorner's Homes, Macmillan Cancer Support and The Oakhaven Trust.

Public benefit

In accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 and the associated Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, the trustees confirm that they have complied with their duties to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit as published by the Charity Commission, in exercising their powers and duties in the year under review.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

For the period to 5 April 2025 income amounted to £166,130 (2024: £165,132) and unrestricted expenditure amounted to £176,592 (2024: £275,451) of which £176,592 (2024: £275,451) were grants, leaving a net deficit on unrestricted funds of £10,462 (2024: £110,319). Unrestricted funds at the balance sheet date are £94,471 (2024: £104,933).

The endowment fund has seen a gain on the revaluation of the investments of £39,384 (2024: £67,004) and expenditure of portfolio management fees of £37,745 (2024: £33,236) and support costs of £11,318 (2024: £8,000). The balance carried forward on this fund is £4,392,244 (2024: £4,401,923).

Reserves policy

1. As part of their overall duties of management the trustees must ensure that they have adequate funds to meet the purposes and objectives of the trust.
2. The trustees note that the trust is a permanent endowment and as such has significant capital investments.
3. The trustees must apply the net income of the trust for the four charity beneficiaries, namely : The British Red Cross Society, Macmillan Cancer Support, Thorner's Homes and The Oakhaven Trust.
4. The trustees arrange distributions of income to the four charities twice a year, retaining funds from the income for a small contingency fund on account of unexpected expenses.
5. The trustees consider this method of managing the financial affairs of the charity to be appropriate in the circumstances.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1174233

Principal address

Blake Morgan LLP
New Kings Court, Tollgate,
Chandler's Ford
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Hampshire
SO53 3LG

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025


Trustees

J M Wiltshire
H E Bunker
S G Treherne

Independent Examiner

Gibson Whitter
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and Chartered Tax Advisers
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 5/1/26 and signed on its behalf by:


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~~S G Treherne~~ - Trustee
H E BUNKER

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
THE BRENDA VERA COOPER CHARITABLE WILL
TRUST**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Brenda Vera Cooper Charitable Will Trust

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Brenda Vera Cooper Charitable Will Trust (the Trust) for the year ended 5 April 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

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

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



Gavin Whitter

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Date: 8/1/26

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Endowment fund £	5.4.25 Total funds £	5.4.24 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Investment income	2	166,130	-	166,130	165,132
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds	3	-	37,745	37,745	33,236
Charitable activities					
Grant making		176,592	11,318	187,910	283,451
Total		176,592	49,063	225,655	316,687
Net gains on investments		-	39,384	39,384	67,004
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(10,462)	(9,679)	(20,141)	(84,551)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		104,933	4,401,923	4,506,856	4,591,407
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		94,471	4,392,244	4,486,715	4,506,856

The notes form part of these financial statements

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**BALANCE SHEET
5 APRIL 2025**

	Notes	5.4.25 £	5.4.24 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Investments	8	4,462,478	4,460,504
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	9	5,333	6,458
Cash at bank		21,084	43,284
		<u>26,417</u>	<u>49,742</u>
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	10	(2,180)	(3,390)
		<u>24,237</u>	<u>46,352</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS			
		<u>4,486,715</u>	<u>4,506,856</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			
		<u>4,486,715</u>	<u>4,506,856</u>
NET ASSETS			
FUNDS	12		
Unrestricted funds		94,471	104,933
Endowment funds		4,392,244	4,401,923
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>4,486,715</u>	<u>4,506,856</u>

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 5/1/26 and were signed on its behalf by:



S G Treherne - Trustee

PAULA MARIA SHEA (ATTORNEY FOR S G TREHERNE)



J M Wiltshire - Trustee



H E Bunker - Trustee

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, with the exception of investments which are included at market value, as modified by the revaluation of certain assets.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

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 a 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 cost 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 resources.

Investment portfolio management fees are allocated to the endowment fund on an accruals basis.

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

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Endowment funds are permanent endowments which are required to be retained, but the income from these funds can be used for the benefit of the Charity.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025**

2. INVESTMENT INCOME

	5.4.25	5.4.24
	£	£
Investment income	165,107	162,813
Deposit account interest	1,023	2,319
	<u>166,130</u>	<u>165,132</u>

3. RAISING FUNDS

Investment management costs

	5.4.25	5.4.24
	£	£
Portfolio management	<u>37,745</u>	<u>33,236</u>

4. GRANTS PAYABLE

	5.4.25	5.4.24
	£	£
Grant making	<u>176,592</u>	<u>275,451</u>

The total grants paid to institutions during the year was as follows:

	5.4.25	5.4.24
	£	£
British Red Cross	44,148	68,862
Macmillian	44,148	68,863
Oakhaven Trust Ltd	44,148	68,863
Thorner's Homes	44,148	68,863
	<u>176,592</u>	<u>275,451</u>

5. SUPPORT COSTS

	Governance costs £
Grant making	<u>11,318</u>

Support costs, included in the above, are as follows:

	5.4.25	5.4.24
	Grant making £	Total activities £
Accountancy fees	1,758	1,680
Legal and professional fees	9,560	6,320
	<u>11,318</u>	<u>8,000</u>

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6. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 5 April 2025 nor for the year ended 5 April 2024.

Payments to trustees and connected persons

The following costs of generating funds were paid during the year to organisations with a business connection with a trustee:

	5.4.25 £	5.4.24 £
Blake Morgan LLP legal and professional fees	9,560	6,230

Mr S G Treherne and Ms H E Bunker are partners at Blake Morgan LLP; Mrs J M Wiltshire is a legal director at Blake Morgan LLP. Blake Morgan LLP charges fees on a commercial basis.

Trustee expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 5 April 2025, nor for the year ended 5 April 2024.

7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Endowment fund £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Investment income	165,132	-	165,132
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	-	33,236	33,236
Charitable activities			
Grant making	275,451	8,000	283,451
Total	275,451	41,236	316,687
Net gains on investments	-	67,004	67,004
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(110,319)	25,768	(84,551)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	215,252	4,376,155	4,591,407
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	104,933	4,401,923	4,506,856

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8. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Listed investments £
MARKET VALUE	
At 6 April 2024	4,460,504
Disposals	(37,410)
Revaluations	39,384
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At 5 April 2025	4,462,478
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NET BOOK VALUE	
At 5 April 2025	4,462,478
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At 5 April 2024	4,460,504
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	5.4.25	5.4.24
Investments held within UK	£3,352,023	£3,116,686
Investments held outside UK	£1,110,455	£1,343,818

9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	5.4.25	5.4.24
	£	£
Other debtors	5,333	6,458
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10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	5.4.25	5.4.24
	£	£
Other creditors	2,180	3,390
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11. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted fund £	Endowment fund £	5.4.25 Total funds £	5.4.24 Total funds £
Investments	-	4,462,478	4,462,478	4,460,504
Current assets	94,471	(68,054)	26,417	49,742
Current liabilities	-	(2,180)	(2,180)	(3,390)
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	94,471	4,392,244	4,486,715	4,506,856
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12. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 6.4.24 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5.4.25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	104,933	(10,462)	94,471
Endowment funds			
Brenda Vera Cooper Charitable Will Trust	4,401,923	(9,679)	4,392,244
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>4,506,856</u>	<u>(20,141)</u>	<u>4,486,715</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	166,130	(176,592)	-	(10,462)
Endowment funds				
Brenda Vera Cooper Charitable Will Trust	-	(49,063)	39,384	(9,679)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>166,130</u>	<u>(225,655)</u>	<u>39,384</u>	<u>(20,141)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 6.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5.4.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	215,252	(110,319)	104,933
Endowment funds			
Brenda Vera Cooper Charitable Will Trust	4,376,155	25,768	4,401,923
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>4,591,407</u>	<u>(84,551)</u>	<u>4,506,856</u>

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12. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	165,132	(275,451)	-	(110,319)
Endowment funds				
Brenda Vera Cooper Charitable Will Trust	-	(41,236)	67,004	25,768
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>165,132</u>	<u>(316,687)</u>	<u>67,004</u>	<u>(84,551)</u>

13. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 5 April 2025.

