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REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1178249

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2024
FOR
SEPTAGON CHARITY

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2024

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SEPTAGON CHARITY
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2024

The Trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 5 April 2024. 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 United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

We have tried to follow a number of principles in running our charity. The first is to keep the costs down as much as possible. So, we have no website, offices, special stationery, or employees, and no more than three trustees. Time and money spent on administration means less time and money going to those we might help.

The second is to try and help charities which are themselves vulnerable and fearful of closure. In fact, Septagon has given to well-established and to less well-established charities, but in a few cases we have been pleased to have given to charities that might have closed down without our help.

The third is to try and keep a close relationship with whatever charity we support. This is not always easy. Charity workers are nearly always very dedicated and very busy, and one is fearful of encroaching too much on their time. Their work is often confidential, so that one cannot be brought in as an observer. We have to prefer local charities over ones further way, otherwise there would be more travel than we could manage.

Fourthly, we have adhered to the basic Septagon 'mission statement', to fund local organisations committed to helping the poor and vulnerable in our society.

Over the years we have observed that while making grants which vary greatly in size, and to organisations which are quite disparate in function, a common feature is the need to create, or try to create, a sense of community in the increasingly fragmented world in which we are live.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

From its inception and up to April 2024, Septagon has made around 90 separate awards to around 40 different organisations. The average award size is about £20,000, but they have varied from £1,000 at the lower end to (in one case) an award of £200,000. Total awards since inception add up to over £1.8 million.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) and is controlled by its constitution, as defined by the Companies Act 2006 and Charities Act 2011.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Company number

CE014008 (England and Wales)

Registered Charity number

1178249

Registered office

49 Park Lane
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Trustees

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Mrs R A Porter
Mr I Couzens

Independent Examiner

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2024

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 30/1/2025 and signed on its behalf by:

M F Porter

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Dr M Porter - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
SEPTAGON CHARITY**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Septagon Charity ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 5 April 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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.



Anthony Brain

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Date: 3/2/25

SEPTAGON CHARITY
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2024

	Notes	2024 Unrestricted fund £	2023 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies		125,000	140,112
Investment income	2	12,566	31,044
Total		<u>137,566</u>	<u>171,156</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds		13,117	9,427
Charitable activities			
Donations to charities		386,700	347,240
Total		<u>399,817</u>	<u>356,667</u>
Net gains/(losses) on investments		121,472	(101,344)
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(140,779)	(286,855)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		1,262,214	1,549,069
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>1,121,435</u></u>	<u><u>1,262,214</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

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BALANCE SHEET
5 APRIL 2024

	Notes	2024 Unrestricted fund £	2023 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS			
Investments	5	839,009	1,213,498
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at bank		287,982	54,319
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	6	(5,556)	(5,603)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>282,426</u>	<u>48,716</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>1,121,435</u>	<u>1,262,214</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>1,121,435</u>	<u>1,262,214</u>
FUNDS	7		
Unrestricted funds		<u>1,121,435</u>	<u>1,262,214</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>1,121,435</u>	<u>1,262,214</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 5 April 2024.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 5 April 2024 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 30/11/2025 and were signed on its behalf by:



Dr M Porter - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, 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 Companies Act 2006. 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.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

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

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.

Investments

Listed investments are a form of basic financial instrument and are initially recognised at their transaction value and subsequently measured at their fair value as at the balance sheet date using the closing quoted market price. The charity does not acquire put options, derivatives or other complex financial instruments. Realised gains (or losses) on investment assets are calculated as the difference between disposal proceeds and their opening carrying value or their purchase value if acquired subsequent to the first day of the financial year. Unrealised gains and losses are calculated as the difference between the fair value at the year end and their carrying value at that date. Realised and unrealised investment gains (or losses) are combined in the statement of financial activities and are credited (or debited) in the year in which they arise. Other investments are included at cost, which is considered to be approximate to their market value.

2. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2024	2023
	£	£
Gift aid interest	919	231
Interest receivable	4,290	9,440
Investment income	7,357	21,373
	<u>12,566</u>	<u>31,044</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 5 April 2024 nor for the year ended 5 April 2023.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 5 April 2024 nor for the year ended 5 April 2023.

4. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	
Donations and legacies	140,112
Investment income	31,044
Total	<u>171,156</u>
EXPENDITURE ON	
Raising funds	9,427
Charitable activities	
Donations to charities	347,240
Total	<u>356,667</u>
Net gains/(losses) on investments	<u>(101,344)</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(286,855)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS	
Total funds brought forward	1,549,069
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u><u>1,262,214</u></u>

5. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	2024 £	2023 £
Shares	831,515	1,173,044
Bank account	7,494	40,454
	<u>839,009</u>	<u>1,213,498</u>

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5. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS - continued

Additional information as follows:

	Listed investments £
MARKET VALUE	
At 6 April 2023	1,173,044
Additions	36,999
Disposals	(500,000)
Revaluations	121,472
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At 5 April 2024	831,515
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NET BOOK VALUE	
At 5 April 2024	831,515
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At 5 April 2023	1,173,044
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There were no investment assets outside the UK.

Cost or valuation at 5 April 2024 is represented by:

	Listed investments £
Valuation in 2024	831,515
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Investments (neither listed nor unlisted) were as follows:

		2024	2023
		£	£
Bank account		7,494	40,454
6.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		
		2024	2023
		£	£
Trade creditors		3,456	3,503
Accrued expenses		2,100	2,100
		5,556	5,603
7.	MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		
		Net	
	At 6.4.23	movement	At
	£	in funds	5.4.24
Unrestricted funds		£	£
General fund	1,262,214	(140,779)	1,121,435
TOTAL FUNDS	1,262,214	(140,779)	1,121,435

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7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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	137,566	(399,817)	121,472	(140,779)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>137,566</u>	<u>(399,817)</u>	<u>121,472</u>	<u>(140,779)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 6.4.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5.4.23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	1,549,069	(286,855)	1,262,214
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,549,069</u>	<u>(286,855)</u>	<u>1,262,214</u>

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	171,156	(356,667)	(101,344)	(286,855)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>171,156</u>	<u>(356,667)</u>	<u>(101,344)</u>	<u>(286,855)</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 6.4.22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5.4.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	1,549,069	(427,634)	1,121,435
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,549,069</u>	<u>(427,634)</u>	<u>1,121,435</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined 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	308,722	(756,484)	20,128	(427,634)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>308,722</u>	<u>(756,484)</u>	<u>20,128</u>	<u>(427,634)</u>

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8. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

During the period the charity was charged £3,500 for accountancy services by a company of which the trustee, Ian Couzens, is a director and majority shareholder.

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Trustee donations	80,000	100,000
Gift aid tax credit	45,000	40,112
	<u>125,000</u>	<u>140,112</u>
Investment income		
Gift aid interest	919	231
Interest receivable	4,290	9,440
Investment income	7,357	21,373
	<u>12,566</u>	<u>31,044</u>
Total incoming resources	<u>137,566</u>	<u>171,156</u>
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Charitable donations	386,700	347,240
Support costs		
Governance costs		
Accountancy and legal fees	5,509	5,543
Investment managers' fees	7,608	3,884
	<u>13,117</u>	<u>9,427</u>
Total resources expended	<u>399,817</u>	<u>356,667</u>
Net expenditure before gains and losses	<u>(262,251)</u>	<u>(185,511)</u>
Realised recognised gains and losses		
Realised gains/(losses) on fixed asset investments	50,111	(73,994)
Unrealised gains/(losses) on investments	71,361	(27,350)
Net expenditure	<u><u>(140,779)</u></u>	<u><u>(286,855)</u></u>

This page does not form part of the statutory financial statements