

THE LAURENTIAN CHARITABLE TRUST
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees	Mr JM Melvin	(Appointed 3 September 2024)
	Mr S Esworthy	
	Mr P Dempster	
	Mr M Llewellyn	
Charity number (England and Wales)	1182000	
Company number	CE016486	

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025

The Trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 5 April 2025.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the Charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and the Charities SORP "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)".

Objectives and activities

The objects of the CIO are, for the public benefit:

- A. The promotion of community participation in healthy recreation, (including, but not limited to, for former pupils of Lawrence Sheriff School) by the provision of facilities for playing rugby union football, cricket, field hockey and such other sports as the Charity Trustees shall decide from time to time; and
- B. To advance the education of the pupils at Lawrence Sheriff School, including but not limited to, by providing and assisting in the provision of facilities and equipment for education and sport at the school and the provision of prizes for academic and sporting achievement.

The objects of the Charity are achieved through:

- provision of facilities for the playing of sport within the environs of Rugby, Warwickshire;
- awarding of grants to support the playing, coaching and provision of facilities for the playing of sport;
- awarding of prizes for academic and sporting achievement for pupils of Lawrence Sheriff School;
- encouraging constructive dialogue between former pupils and current staff of Lawrence Sheriff School; and
- assistance in the provision of facilities for education and sport at Lawrence Sheriff School.

Public benefit

The Trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the Charity should undertake, including with regards to the duty under Section 17(5) of the Charities Act 2011 in respect of public benefit.

Achievements and performance

Significant activities and achievements against objectives

During the year the Charity awarded grants of £2,500 to Lawrence Sheriff School (2024: £1,000). The grants were to help fund the upgrade of audio and visual equipment within the School, in accordance with the charitable objects of the Charity.

The Charity also awarded a grant of £250 (2024: £nil) to the Friends of St Andrew's Church in support of a memorial service in honour of Dr Rex Pogson, a long-standing and highly respected former headteacher of the School.

The facilities at Fenley Field have been in urgent need of renovation for some time, accordingly, the Charity made total grants of £16,500 (2024: £nil) for upgrades to the clubhouse, driveway and surrounding grounds and a further £2,465 for the replacement of the cricket astro-turf wicket.

The facilities at Fenley Field were utilised during the period for the playing of rugby union and cricket. Additionally, Fenley Field provided showering/changing facilities and a base for refreshments for hockey teams during the year.

In addition to grant-making activities, the Charity also furthers its charitable objectives through meeting regularly with and promoting the activities of the Laurentian Sports Club (including its constituent bodies) and Lawrence Sheriff School.

Financial review

The Trustees chose to support a significant level of donations in the year, accordingly the Charity made a deficit for the year of £7,155 (2024: £4,032 surplus).

The total of the fund balances at the year end amounted to £127,412 (2024: £134,567). All funds are unrestricted.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

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Reserves policy

It is the policy of the Charity that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to one year's expenditure. The Trustees consider that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the Charity's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised. This level of reserves has been maintained throughout the year.

Principal funding sources

The principal sources of income for the Charity are rental income and donations.

Plans for future periods

The Trustees hope to continue to build on the existing relationships with the Laurentian Sports Club (and its constituent sporting sections) and Lawrence Sheriff School, to continue to advance the aims and objectives of the Charity.

During the period, discussions continued with relevant parties to assess the viability of acquiring land to develop a new sporting facility away from Fenley Field. As at the date of this report these discussions are ongoing.

Structure, governance and management

The Laurentian Charitable Trust (the "Charity") was registered as a charitable incorporated organisation on 12th February 2019 under charity number 1182000.

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

Mr JM Melvin

Mr S Esworthy

Mr P Dempster

Mr M Llewellyn

(Appointed 3 September 2024)

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

The initial Trustees were appointed by the Old Laurentian Society, an unincorporated entity which previously undertook much of the activities of the Charity. Future Trustees are appointed by the board of the Trustees.

Newly appointed Trustees are inducted through meetings with the board of Trustees to appraise them of the activities of the Charity and through directions to the range of advisory documents published by the Charities Commission.

The Trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.



Mr JM Melvin

Trustee

28 March 2026

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Income from:			
Donations and legacies	3	8,060	60
Charitable activities	4	6,500	6,188
Total income		14,560	6,248
Expenditure on:			
Raising funds	5	-	1,146
Charitable activities	6	21,715	1,070
Total expenditure		21,715	2,216
Net income/(expenditure) and movement in funds		(7,155)	4,032
Reconciliation of funds:			
Fund balances at 6 April 2024		134,567	130,535
Fund balances at 5 April 2025		127,412	134,567

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 5 APRIL 2025

	Notes	2025 £	£	2024 £	£
Fixed assets					
Investment property	12		125,000		125,000
Current assets					
Cash at bank and in hand		2,412		9,567	
Net current assets			2,412		9,567
Total assets less current liabilities			127,412		134,567
The funds of the Charity					
Unrestricted funds	13		127,412		134,567
			127,412		134,567

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 28 March 2026



Mr JM Melvin
Trustee

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

The Laurentian Charitable Trust is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO).

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and the Charities SORP "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)". The Charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The Charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities 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 Charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include investment properties at fair value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

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

1.3 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 Charity.

1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the Charity 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 Charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the Charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, 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 classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges are allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

1.6 Investment property

Investment property, which is property held to earn rentals and/or for capital appreciation, is initially recognised at cost, which includes the purchase cost and any directly attributable expenditure. Subsequently it is measured at fair value at the reporting end date. The surplus or deficit on revaluation is recognised in profit or loss.

1.7 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 debtors 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 creditors 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 creditors 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 creditors 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 Charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the Charity'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.

3 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Donations and gifts	8,060	60

4 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Charitable activities		
Charitable rental income	6,500	6,188

5 Expenditure on raising funds

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Trading costs		
Support costs	-	1,146

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025

6 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Charitable activities 2025 £	Charitable activities 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Charitable activities 2024 £
Direct costs				
Grant funding of activities (see note 7)	2,750	18,965	21,715	1,070
	<u>2,750</u>	<u>18,965</u>	<u>21,715</u>	<u>1,070</u>
Analysis by fund				
Unrestricted funds	2,750	18,965	21,715	1,070
	<u>2,750</u>	<u>18,965</u>	<u>21,715</u>	<u>1,070</u>

7 Grants payable

	Support of LSS 2025 £	Provision of sporting facilities 2025 £	Support of LSS 2024 £
Grants to institutions:			
Grants to Laurentian Sports Club	-	18,965	-
Grants to Lawrence Sheriff School (LSS)	2,500	-	1,000
Grants to LSS Parents' Association	-	-	70
Grants to Friends of St Andrew's Church	250	-	-
	<u>2,750</u>	<u>18,965</u>	<u>1,070</u>

8 Support costs allocated to activities

	2025 £	2024 £
Governance costs	-	1,146
	<u>-</u>	<u>1,146</u>
Analysed between:		
Fundraising	-	1,146
	<u>-</u>	<u>1,146</u>

9 Trustees

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

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025

10 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2025 Number	2024 Number
Total	-	-

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

11 Taxation

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

12 Investment property

	2025 £
Fair value	
At 6 April 2024 and 5 April 2025	125,000

Investment property comprises the freehold property known as Fenley Field, Lime Tree, Rugby, Warwickshire.

The property was valued by the Trustees at 9th August 2019, being the date that it was transferred to the Charity. It was valued on the basis of average local agricultural land values. The Trustees believe there has been no material change in the value of the property since that date.

	2025 £	2024 £
Freehold	125,000	125,000

13 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 6 April 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	At 5 April 2025 £
General funds	134,567	14,560	(21,715)	127,412

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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13 Unrestricted funds (Continued)

Previous year:	At 6 April 2023	Incoming resources	Resources expended	At 5 April 2024
	£	£	£	£
General funds	130,535	6,248	(2,216)	134,567
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14 Related party transactions

During the year ended 5th April 2024 donations totalling £60 were received from Trustees (2023: £60).