

CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER: 1186646

THE TERN TRUST
ANNUAL REPORT AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
5 APRIL 2025

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Trustees	Mr S H Henwood Dr G K Henwood
Charity Registration Number	1186646
Principal Office	David Allen Dalmar House Barras Lane Estate Dalston, Carlisle CA5 7NY
Independent Examiner	Alison Welton BSc FCA David Allen Chartered Accountants Dalmar House Barras Lane Estate Dalston Carlisle CA5 7NY
Bankers	Coutts & Co 440 Strand Charing Cross London WC2R 0QS

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

The trustees present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 5 April 2025.

Trustees and officers

The trustees and officers serving during the year and since the year end were as follows:

Trustees

Mr S H Henwood

Dr G K Henwood

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objects and aims

The trustees hold the capital and income of the trust fund upon trust to apply the income, and all or such parts of the capital, at such time or times and in such manner to, or for the benefit of such charities or such exclusively charitable purposes according to the laws of England and Wales in any part of the world as the trustees may in their discretion think fit.

Public benefit

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Use of volunteers

The charity has no voluntary, seconded or paid staff.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

During the year the trustees have continued to develop their approach to potential beneficiaries and within the year have paid out donations totalling £34,400 (2024: £36,940) to charities and for charitable purposes. Further details of these donations made can be found in Note 7. Further donations have also been made during the next financial year.

The total income from quoted investments was £25,021 (2024: £24,457) during the year. The overall value of the investment portfolio at the year end was £969,441 (2024: £992,544) with net losses on the revaluation and disposal of investments being £46,231 (2024: gains of £108,870).

Overall, this resulted in a net deficit in funds of £66,092 (2024: surplus of £87,772).

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The charity holds a portfolio of UK and non-UK quoted investments. These are managed by Coutts & Co on the basis of a written statement summarising the trustees' investment policy.

Income from quoted investments amounted to £25,021 (2024: £24,457) for the year. Total investment income for the year, including bank interest of £986 (2024: £831), was £26,007 (2024: £25,288). Investment management fees amounted to £5,363 (2024: £5,004) for the year.

Governance costs include accountancy fees and independent examination fees and amounted to £6,105 (2024: £5,708) for the year.

The charity holds unrestricted funds at the year end of £995,088 (2024: £1,061,180).

Policy on reserves

As the charity carries out no direct charitable activities and does not generally make commitments to future giving, there is no need to retain reserves for this purpose. However, the trustees have allocated funds in the trust for payment of grants.

Investment policy and objectives

The investment portfolio is held with Coutts & Co and the following restrictions are placed on the nature of the investments held - no tobacco, no gambling, no high interest rate lending, no adult entertainment, no China. "No" means no direct investment and accepts that there may be occasions when investment in collective funds may include minor exposure to these areas.

The trustees review their investment policy annually.

During the year the trustees reviewed the approach to the investment strategy supported by their financial advisors and confirmed the approach adopted.

PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

Aims and key objectives for future periods

The trustees will continue to review grant applications and distribute these where they feel appropriate.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Nature of governing document

The Tern Trust was constituted by a deed dated 19 November 2019. The trust is an unincorporated charity.

The charity is registered with the Charity Commission under number 1186646 and was registered on 28 November 2019. The principal office of the charity is Dalmar House, Barras Lane Estate, Dalston, Carlisle, CA5 7NY.

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

The power of appointment of new trustees is vested in the settlors. During the year there have been no changes in trustees.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

Arrangements for setting key management personnel remuneration

The trustees give their time freely and no trustee remuneration was paid in the year. Details of trustee expenses and related party transactions are disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.

Major risks and management of those risks

The trustees have reviewed the risks to which they consider the charity is exposed and are taking action as they consider to be appropriate.

FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Objectives and policies

The charity's activities expose it to a number of financial risks including credit risk, cash flow risk and liquidity risk. The trustees do not use financial derivatives, however some of the underlying investments will have the discretion to use derivatives to manage risk and the trustees rely on their expertise to manage these accordingly.

Cash flow risk

The charity's activities expose it primarily to the financial risks of changes in foreign currency exchange rates and interest rates.

Credit risk

The charity's principal financial assets are bank balances and cash and investments.

The credit risk on liquid funds and derivative financial instruments is limited because the counterparties are banks with high credit-ratings assigned by international credit-rating agencies.

Liquidity risk

In order to maintain liquidity the trustees ensure that sufficient funds are available for ongoing operations and anticipated donation levels.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards including Financial Reporting Standard 102: The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales 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 income and expenditure of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations, and the provisions of the trust deed. The trustees 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.

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 28 January 2026 and signed on its behalf by:

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Mr S H Henwood
Trustee

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE TERN TRUST

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Tern Trust for the year ended 5 April 2025, which are set out on pages 7 to 18.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of The Tern 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 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of The Tern 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 accounting 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.

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ALISON WELTON BSc FCA
Independent Examiner

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28 January 2026

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025

	Note	Unrestricted £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Income from:				
Investment income	2	26,007	26,007	25,288
Other income	3	-	-	1,266
Total income		26,007	26,007	26,554
Expenditure on:				
Raising funds	4	(5,363)	(5,363)	(5,004)
Charitable activities	5	(40,505)	(40,505)	(42,648)
Total expenditure		(45,868)	(45,868)	(47,652)
(Losses)/ gains on investments assets	13	(46,231)	(46,231)	108,870
Net movement in funds		(66,092)	(66,092)	87,772
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		1,061,180	1,061,180	973,408
Total funds carried forward	15	995,088	995,088	1,061,180
				Total 2024 £
	Note	Unrestricted £		
Income from:				
Investment income	2	25,288	25,288	
Other income	3	1,266	1,266	
Total income		26,554	26,554	
Expenditure on:				
Raising funds	4	(5,004)	(5,004)	
Charitable activities	5	(42,648)	(42,648)	
Total expenditure		(47,652)	(47,652)	
Gains on investment assets		108,870	108,870	
Net movement in funds		87,772	87,772	
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		973,408	973,408	
Total funds carried forward	15	1,061,180	1,061,180	

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.

The funds breakdown for 2025 and 2024 is shown in note 15.

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 5 APRIL 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Fixed assets			
Investments	13	969,441	992,544
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		31,660	74,273
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	14	<u>(6,013)</u>	<u>(5,637)</u>
Net current assets		<u>25,647</u>	<u>68,636</u>
Net assets		<u>995,088</u>	<u>1,061,180</u>
Funds of the charity:			
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted funds		<u>995,088</u>	<u>1,061,180</u>
Total funds	15	<u>995,088</u>	<u>1,061,180</u>

From the funds received into the trust in previous periods, the trustees earmarked £60,000 for the payment of grants and £698,599 for capital purposes.

The financial statements on pages 7 to 17 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on 28 January 2026 and signed on their behalf by:

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Mr S H Henwood
Trustee

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

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Basis of preparation

The Tern Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to these accounts.

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 £.

Going concern

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Income

Voluntary income including donations and gifts that provide core funding or are of a general nature is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Investment income

Investment income is accounted for in the period in which the charity is entitled to receipt.

Other income

Other income is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Expenditure

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category.

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

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Raising funds

These are costs incurred in attracting voluntary income, the management of investments and those incurred in trading activities that raise funds.

Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Governance costs

These include the costs attributable to the charity's compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements, including independent examination, strategic management and trustees' meetings and reimbursed expenses.

Taxation

The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments, other than programme related investments, are included at market value at the balance sheet date. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between sales proceeds and their market value at the start of the year, or their subsequent cost, and are charged or credited to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period of disposal.

Unrealised gains and losses represent the movement in market values during the year and are credited or charged to the Statement of Financial Activities based on the market value at the period end.

Foreign exchange

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate of exchange at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the balance sheet date are reported at the rates of exchange prevailing at that date.

Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees' discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

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

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Financial instruments

Classification

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the charity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial liabilities are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into.

Recognition and measurement

All financial assets and liabilities are initially measured at transaction price (including transaction costs), except for those financial assets classified as at fair value through profit or loss, which are initially measured at fair value (which is normally the transaction price excluding transaction costs), unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction. If an arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, the financial asset or financial liability is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are only offset in the statement of financial position when, and only when there exists a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and the charity intends either to settle on a net basis, or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Financial assets are derecognised when and only when a) the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire or are settled, b) the charity transfers to another party substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset, or c) the charity, despite having retained some, but not all, significant risks and rewards of ownership, has transferred control of the asset to another party.

Financial liabilities are derecognised only when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expires.

Fair value measurement

The best evidence of fair value is a quoted price for an identical asset in an active market. When quoted prices are unavailable, the price of a recent transaction for an identical asset provides evidence of fair value as long as there has not been a significant change in economic circumstances or a significant lapse of time since the transaction took place. If the market is not active and recent transactions of an identical asset on their own are not a good estimate of fair value, the fair value is estimated by using a valuation technique.

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

2 INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Interest receivable and similar income;			
Interest receivable on bank deposits	986	986	831
Income from listed investments	<u>25,021</u>	<u>25,021</u>	<u>24,457</u>
	<u>26,007</u>	<u>26,007</u>	<u>25,288</u>

3 OTHER INCOME

	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Other income	<u>-</u>	<u>1,266</u>

4 EXPENDITURE ON RAISING FUNDS

a) Investment management costs

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Other investment management costs;			
Amounts payable to investment managers	<u>5,363</u>	<u>5,363</u>	<u>5,004</u>
	<u>5,363</u>	<u>5,363</u>	<u>5,004</u>

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

5 EXPENDITURE ON CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Note	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Grant funding of activities	7	34,400	34,400	36,940
Governance costs	6	6,105	6,105	5,708
		<u>40,505</u>	<u>40,505</u>	<u>42,648</u>

	Activity undertaken directly £	2025 £	2024 £
Grant funding of activities	<u>34,400</u>	<u>34,400</u>	<u>36,940</u>

£40,505 (2024: £42,648) of the above expenditure was attributable to unrestricted funds and £Nil (2024: £Nil) to restricted funds.

6 ANALYSIS OF GOVERNANCE AND SUPPORT COSTS

Governance costs

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Independent examiner fees			
Examination of the financial statements	1,482	1,482	1,380
Other fees paid to examiners	4,623	4,623	4,328
	<u>6,105</u>	<u>6,105</u>	<u>5,708</u>

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

7 GRANT-MAKING

Analysis of grants

	Grants to institutions	
	2025	2024
	£	£
Analysis		
Grants issued	<u>34,400</u>	<u>36,940</u>

Below are details of material grants made to institutions.

	2025	2024
Name of institution	£	£
Ukraine Appeal	-	10,000
Wedigital Limited	-	4,940
Cancer UK	-	2,000
Royal Geographical Society	20,000	20,000
Parkinsons Disease Society	400	-
A Bear Named Buttony	1,000	-
Salisbury Cathedral	<u>13,000</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>34,400</u>	<u>36,940</u>

Royal Geographical Society - paid in support of the Development Plan implementation.

Parkinsons Disease Society and A Bear Named Buttony - paid to fund health and research charities.

Salisbury Cathedral - £3,000 paid in support of the Sarum Master Bible project towards digitising the manuscript to enable greater access. A further £10,000 was paid towards enabling recruitment of a highly experienced catalogue researcher to assist with the catalogue of their medieval manuscripts. These projects support the charity's objective to widen access to researchers and making knowledge available to the wider public.

The support costs associated with grant-making are £Nil (2024 - £Nil).

8 NET INCOMING/OUTGOING RESOURCES

Net outgoing resources for the year include:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Independent examination of the financial statements	<u>1,482</u>	<u>1,380</u>

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

9 TRUSTEES REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

No trustees, nor any persons connected with them, have received any remuneration from the charity during the year.

No trustees have received any reimbursed expenses or any other benefits from the charity during the year.

10 STAFF COSTS

The average head count of employees during the year was Nil (2024: Nil).

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 during the year

11 INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REMUNERATION

	2025 £	2024 £
Examination of the financial statements	<u>1,482</u>	<u>1,380</u>
Other fees to examiners		
All other services	<u>4,623</u>	<u>4,328</u>

12 TAXATION

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

13 FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	2025 £	2024 £
Other investments	<u>969,441</u>	<u>992,544</u>

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

13 FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS (continued)

Other investments

	Listed investments £	Total £
Cost or Valuation		
At 6 April 2024	992,544	992,544
Revaluation	(61,999)	(61,999)
Additions	645,294	645,294
Disposals	(606,398)	(606,398)
At 5 April 2025	969,441	969,441
Net book value		
At 5 April 2025	969,441	969,441
At 5 April 2024	992,544	992,544

Valuations are prepared on the basis of the middle market price at the close of business on the valuation date, for certain securities the price may be last trade or bid price.

The total unrealised losses for the year are £61,999 (2024: gains of £102,452) and the total realised gains are £15,768 (2024: gains of £6,418), resulting in a net loss on investments of £46,231 (2024: net gain of £108,870).

14 CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year

	2025 £	2024 £
Accruals	6,013	5,637

15 FUNDS

	Balance at 6 April 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Other recognised gains/(losses) £	Balance at 5 April 2025 £
Unrestricted funds					
General	1,061,180	26,007	(45,868)	(46,231)	995,088

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

15 FUNDS (continued)

	Balance at 6 April 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Other recognised gains/(losses) £	Balance at 5 April 2024 £
Unrestricted funds					
General	<u>973,408</u>	<u>26,554</u>	<u>(47,652)</u>	<u>108,870</u>	<u>1,061,180</u>

16 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds at 5 April 2025 £
Fixed asset investments	969,441	969,441
Current assets	31,660	31,660
Current liabilities	<u>(6,013)</u>	<u>(6,013)</u>
Total net assets	<u>995,088</u>	<u>995,088</u>
	Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds at 5 April 2024 £
Fixed asset investments	992,544	992,544
Current assets	74,273	74,273
Current liabilities	<u>(5,637)</u>	<u>(5,637)</u>
Total net assets	<u>1,061,180</u>	<u>1,061,180</u>

17 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

There were no related party transactions in the year.