

**Charity registration number 1186784 (England and Wales)**

**THE RONALD AND JOAN JOHNSTON CHARITABLE TRUST**  
**ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2024**

# THE RONALD AND JOAN JOHNSTON CHARITABLE TRUST

## LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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<b>Trustees</b>	Mr D P Kramer Mr A M Lesser
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<b>Charity number (England and Wales)</b>	1186784
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<b>Independent examiner</b>	Gravita 111 LLP Aldgate Tower 2 Leman Street London E1 8FA
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# THE RONALD AND JOAN JOHNSTON CHARITABLE TRUST

## TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2024

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The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 5 April 2024.

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 trust's charitable deed, the Charities Act 2011 and "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

The trust's objects are to support wholly charitable purposes at the absolute discretion of the trustees and there has been no change in these during the year.

The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the trust should undertake.

### Achievements and performance

The trustees continue to look at which charities they can support in the future and assess applications for funding on an individual basis.

### Financial review

It is the policy of the trust that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to at least six month'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 trust'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.

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the trust is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

### Structure, governance and management

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

Mr D P Kramer

Mr A M Lesser

Future trustees will be appointed by the existing trustees as and when a vacancy arises.

The trust is run by the board of trustees.

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

Mr D P Kramer

**Trustee**

12 March 2025

# THE RONALD AND JOAN JOHNSTON CHARITABLE TRUST

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

### TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE RONALD AND JOAN JOHNSTON CHARITABLE TRUST

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of The Ronald and Joan Johnston Charitable Trust (the trust) for the year ended 5 April 2024.

#### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the trustees of the trust you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

I report in respect of my examination of the trust's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act 2011.

#### **Independent examiner's statement**

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared the financial statements in accordance with the relevant version of the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has now been withdrawn. I understand that this has been done in order for the financial statements to provide a true and fair view in accordance with UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

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 that in any material respect:

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the trust as required by section 130 of the Charities Act 2011.
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of financial statements set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the financial statements 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 financial statements to be reached.

Paul Woosey FCCA FCA  
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Dated : 19 March 2025

# THE RONALD AND JOAN JOHNSTON CHARITABLE TRUST

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2024

		Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
	Notes		
<b><u>Income and endowments from:</u></b>			
Investments	2	57,890	60,975
Other income	3	192	3,354
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<b>Total income</b>		58,082	64,329
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<b><u>Expenditure on:</u></b>			
Charitable activities	4	83,398	59,997
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Net gains/(losses) on investments	8	37,700	(38,959)
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<b>Net movement in funds</b>		12,384	(34,627)
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Fund balances at 6 April 2023		2,417,006	2,451,633
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<b>Fund balances at 5 April 2024</b>		2,429,390	2,417,006
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The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

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# THE RONALD AND JOAN JOHNSTON CHARITABLE TRUST

## BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 5 APRIL 2024

		2024		2023	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Investment property	9		1,750,000		1,750,000
Investments	10		629,805		597,297
			<u>2,379,805</u>		<u>2,347,297</u>
<b>Current assets</b>					
Debtors	11	2,583		1,069	
Cash at bank and in hand		53,322		74,040	
		<u>55,905</u>		<u>75,109</u>	
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	12	(6,320)		(5,400)	
<b>Net current assets</b>			<u>49,585</u>		<u>69,709</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			<u>2,429,390</u>		<u>2,417,006</u>
<b>The funds of the trust</b>					
Unrestricted funds	13		2,429,390		2,417,006
			<u>2,429,390</u>		<u>2,417,006</u>

The financial statements were approved by the trustees on 12 March 2025

Mr D P Kramer  
Trustee

# THE RONALD AND JOAN JOHNSTON CHARITABLE TRUST

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2024

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#### 1 Accounting policies

##### Charity information

The Ronald and Joan Johnston Charitable Trust is an unincorporated charitable trust.

##### 1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the trust's governing document, the Charities Act 2011, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") 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)" (effective 1 January 2019). The trust is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The trust 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 trust. 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 the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments 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 trust 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 trust.

##### 1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the trust 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 trust 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 trust 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.



# THE RONALD AND JOAN JOHNSTON CHARITABLE TRUST

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2024

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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 Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments are initially measured at transaction price excluding transaction costs, and are subsequently measured at fair value at each reporting date. Changes in fair value are recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred.

#### 1.8 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.

#### 1.9 Financial instruments

The trust has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the trust's balance sheet when the trust becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

#### **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.

# THE RONALD AND JOAN JOHNSTON CHARITABLE TRUST

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2024

### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

#### **Impairment of financial assets**

Financial assets, other than those held at fair value through income and expenditure, are assessed for indicators of impairment at each reporting date. Financial assets are impaired where there is objective evidence that, as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the financial asset, the estimated future cash flows have been affected.

If an asset is impaired, the impairment loss is the difference between the carrying amount and the present value of the estimated cash flows discounted at the asset's original effective interest rate. The impairment loss is recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year.

If there is a decrease in the impairment loss arising from an event occurring after the impairment was recognised, the impairment is reversed. The reversal is such that the current carrying amount does not exceed what the carrying amount would have been, had the impairment not previously been recognised. The impairment reversal is recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year.

#### **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.

#### **Derecognition of financial liabilities**

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the trust's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

#### 1.10 Employee benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the trust is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

### 2 Investments

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2024	2023
	£	£
Rental income	57,647	52,786
Investment Portfolio Income	243	8,189
	<u>57,890</u>	<u>60,975</u>

# THE RONALD AND JOAN JOHNSTON CHARITABLE TRUST

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2024

### 3 Other income

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2024	2023
	£	£
Realised gains on investments	192	3,354

### 4 Charitable activities

	2024	2023
	£	£
Donations	40,000	7,300
Share of governance costs (see note 5)	43,398	52,697
	83,398	59,997

### 5 Support costs

	Support costs	Governance costs	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Legal and professional	-	5,875	5,875	5,085
Property repairs	21,720	-	21,720	40,992
Bank charges	-	60	60	73
Portfolio management fees	-	5,464	5,464	-
Agents fees	7,927	-	7,927	4,457
Insurance	2,352	-	2,352	2,090
	31,999	11,399	43,398	52,697

### 6 Trustees

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

# THE RONALD AND JOAN JOHNSTON CHARITABLE TRUST

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2024

### 7 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	<b>2024 Number</b>
Total	-

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

### 8 Gains and losses on investments

	<b>Unrestricted funds 2024 £</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds 2023 £</b>
Gains/(losses) arising on:		
Revaluation of investments	37,700	(38,959)

### 9 Investment property

	<b>2024 £</b>
<b>Fair value</b>	
At 6 April 2023 and 5 April 2024	1,750,000

Investment property comprises two properties in Dunmore Road N16. The fair value of the investment property has been arrived at on the basis of a valuation carried out on 26th March 2019 by Felicity J Lord Estate Agents, who are not connected with the trust. The valuation was made on an open market value basis by reference to market evidence of transaction prices for similar properties.

### 10 Fixed asset investments

	<b>Unlisted investments £</b>
<b>Cost or valuation</b>	
At 05 April 2023	597,297
Valuation changes	32,508
At 5 April 2024	629,805
<b>Carrying amount</b>	
At 05 April 2024	629,805
At 05 April 2023	597,297

# THE RONALD AND JOAN JOHNSTON CHARITABLE TRUST

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2024

### 11 Debtors

	2024 £	2023 £
<b>Amounts falling due within one year:</b>		
Other debtors	1,861	1,069
Prepayments and accrued income	722	-
	<u>2,583</u>	<u>1,069</u>

### 12 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024 £	2023 £
Accruals and deferred income	<u>6,320</u>	<u>5,400</u>

### 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 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	At 5 April 2024 £
General funds	<u>2,417,006</u>	<u>58,082</u>	<u>(83,398)</u>	<u>37,700</u>	<u>2,429,390</u>
<b>Previous period:</b>	<b>At 6 April 2022 £</b>	<b>Incoming resources £</b>	<b>Resources expended £</b>	<b>Gains and losses £</b>	<b>At 5 April 2023 £</b>
General funds	<u>2,451,633</u>	<u>64,329</u>	<u>(59,997)</u>	<u>(38,959)</u>	<u>2,417,006</u>

### 14 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year.