Charity Registration No. 1192202

THE JAMES KNOTT FAMILY FOUNDATION

ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 2024

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees	Professor S Barclay Mrs J R S Johnston Professor J Barclay Dr A Barclay Miss L J Cousins
Administrator	Rathbones Trust Company Limited
Charity number	1192202
Registered office and address for appeals	8 Finsbury Circus London EC2M 7AZ
Bankers and Investment Managers	Rathbones Investment Management Limited 8 Finsbury Circus London EC2M 7AZ

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 2024

The Trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 January 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 Charity's constitution, 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 James Knott Family Foundation is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation created by a Constitution Document dated 31 August 2020. The objects of the CIO are to pay or apply the capital and income vested in the Trustees to or for such purposes as are exclusively charitable in accordance with the laws of England and Wales as the Trustees shall, in their absolute discretion, think fit.

Statement of compliance with Charity Commission guidance

The Trustees have complied with the duty in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charities Commission.

Grant making policies

The Trustees have long-established links with various areas of Africa and have supported hospitals and educational projects here for a number of years. During the period under review the Trustees continued to provide funding to those previously funded charities.

The Trustees take an active interest in projects supported and have kept in regular contact with them in order that they may monitor the use of the donations provided and report on progress being made.

The Trustees have supported the Mvumi Hospital for a number of years and continued to do so, and in this period they made a payment of £13,000 towards the cost of vehicle repair and a new autoclave.

The Trustees agreed to continue their support to NOTDEC UK and made a donation of £28,250 in this period. The donation assisted with maintenance of the tractor and bowser, pick-up, mini-bus and motor bike, support for secondary and tertiary education fees, computers for two students in vocational training, solar installations, and construction work.

The Trustees continued to support The Trussell Trust (Coventry Food Bank), and agreed a donation of £4,000 to be used towards the ongoing running costs of their warehouse.

The Trustees have previously supported Candle for India (Deepti Centre). This year, the Trustees agreed a donation of £8,000 to assist with vehicle maintenance and expenses.

The Trustees supported The Kite Trust and agreed a donation of £8,500 to enable the charity to continue support for its one to one work, its youth leadership programmes and its residential camps for young people.

The Trustees supported Spear Bethnal Green and a donation of £15,000 was agreed to assist with the funding of one of their courses to assist young people with finding employment.

The Trustees supported Kings College Memorial Services and a donation of £2,500 which offers an annual memorial service to relations of individuals who have donated their bodies to medical science.

Grant making policies - continued
A donation of £15,000 was made to the Emmanuel College, Cambridge to support medical students in cases of financial hardship for their living expenses.

Donation payment to Arthur Rank Hospice help fund their day hospice. This Day Centre is entirely funded by charitable donations. The Trustees have an interest in the provision of hospice care and agreed to make an annual donation of £2,000 to a hospice which is local to one of their number, in order to monitor the benefit obtained from the pledged monies.

The Trustees have previously made annual prizes available to medical students at the University of Cambridge studying palliative care. The Trustees have, in the period, pledged £3,750 toward prizes for Years 4, 5 and 6 students.

Achievements and performance

The investment objective for the Trust is for a balance between capital growth and income, in line with Risk Strategy Level 4, as defined by Rathbones Terms of Business.

As at 31 January 2024 the Trust was valued at £632,407 and was forecast to produce an estimated gross annual income of £18,801 or 2.97%.

During the 12 months to 31 January 2024, the portfolio increased 2.44% in total return terms as compared to the MSCI WMA Balanced which increased 5.81%.

2023 ended on a more upbeat tone following what was a fairy tumultuous year with many conflicting economic forces at play. As we look ahead in 2024, worldwide conflicts serve to remind investors how fragile the geopolitical landscape is and how inextricably linked global markets are to such events. This is sobering as we start an election year with over half the world's population set to vote including both here and in the USA. As ever, investment markets climb a wall of worry with some leading economic indicators forecasting a recession this year. However, while one can sometimes struggle to see reasons to be optimistic, when we look through the lens of individual companies, we can take considerable confidence from the services and products being created and the opportunities therein despite the geopolitical landscape.

The portfolio continues to have a strong bias to direct UK equity investments with higher income yields. The portfolio is well diversified with a core of blue-chip companies with strong balance sheets that derive a large proportion of their earnings from overseas, as well as some investments in mid cap stocks which offer greater capital growth potential.

At the year-end there were two collective holdings that were valued at over 5% of the portfolio's capital: JP Morgan US Equity Income and Trojan Global Income. The collective holdings are well diversified across different geographies and sectors and have a bias towards generating income together with the opportunity for capital growth, in line with the Risk Strategy Level 4 of the Fund.

As at 31 January 2024 accumulated income stood at £27,676.

Financial review

Total incoming resources were £18,250 (£17,864 in 2023), with £112,287 (£112,264 in 2023) being committed to charitable activities of which £12,287 (£12,264 in 2023) relates to support and governance costs. Costs of raising funds amounted to £4,324 (£4,349 in 2023), There was an unrealised gain of £8,266 (loss of £18,265 in 2023) on investments and in addition a realised (loss) of £12,243 (loss of £24,455 in 2023) resulting in net outflow of funds of £102,338 (outflow of £141,469 in 2023).

Risks

The Trustees have not identified any major risks and they will continue to monitor the adequacy of their system. Above and beyond the inherent market risks, to which the charity is exposed, the portfolio is well diversified, on a geographical, sectorial and stock basis.

Structure, governance and management

The Trustees who served during the period were:

Professor S Barclay
Mrs J R S Johnston
Professor J Barclay
Dr A Barclay
Miss L J Cousins

Appointment of new trustees

Apart from the first Trustees (listed above) every Trustee must be appointed for a term of three years by resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the Trustees.

Decision making

The Trustees meet annually to review applications for funding, investment performance, income levels and the financial statements.

Trustee training

The Trustees correspond and meet with their professional advisors regularly and the advisors are specifically instructed to appraise the Trustees of relevant technical and practice issues as they arise.

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

Miss L J Cousins
Trustee

2 July 2024

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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 2024

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (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 incoming resources and application of resources of the Charity for that year.

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 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 operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping sufficient accounting records that 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 Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the constitution. They 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.

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
Income			
Investment income	**3**	16,731	17,448
Other income	**4**	1,519	416
Total income		18,250	17,864
Expenditure			
Raising funds	**5**	4,324	4,349
Charitable activities	**6**	112,287	112,264
Total resources expended		116,611	116,613
Net (expenditure) before investment (losses)		(98,361)	(98,749)
Net (losses) on investments	**11**	(3,977)	(42,720)
Net movement in funds		(102,338)	(141,469)
Fund balances at 1 February 2023		751,603	893,072
Fund balances at 31 January 2024		649,265	751,603

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 JANUARY 2024

	Notes	2024 £	£	2023 £	£
Fixed assets					
Investments	**12**		632,407		738,535
Current assets					
Debtors	**13**	642		293	
Cash at bank and in hand		22,216		18,776	
		22,858		19,069	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	**14**	(6,000)		(6,000)	
Net current assets			16,858		13,069
Total assets less current liabilities			649,265		751,604
Income funds					
Unrestricted funds			649,265		751,603
			649,265		751,604

The accounts were approved by the Trustees on 2 July 2024

Miss L J Cousins
Trustee

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2024 £	2023 £	2023 £
Cash flows from operating activities					
Cash absorbed by operations	**15**		(115,092)		(118,352)
Investing activities					
Purchase of investments		(303,473)		(29,071)	
Proceeds on disposal of investments		368,715		132,847	
Investment income received		16,382		17,430	
Net cash generated from investing activities			81,624		121,206
Net cash used in financing activities			-		-
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents			(33,468)		2,854
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year			58,653		55,799
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year			25,185		58,653

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

The James Knott Family Foundation is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation established by a Constitution Document dated 31 August 2020 and registered with the Charity Commission.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's constitution, '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) (Second Edition)' and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2019.

1.2 Going concern

The trustees consider there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern. The review of our financial position, reserves levels and future plans gives Trustees confidence the charity remains a going concern for the foreseeable future.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted income funds comprise those funds which the trustees are free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objectives, unless the funds have been designated for other puposes.

1.4 Incoming resources

Investment income and donations received are recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reasonably, and it is probable that the income will be received.

1.5 Resources expended

Grants are included in the financial statements when approved by the Trustees and notified to recipients. The value of committed grants unpaid at the year end is accrued. Grants offered that are subject to conditions that have not been met at the year end are noted as a commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

Management and administration costs comprise those costs incurred in running the charity. They have been apportioned on the basis of time spent between charitable activities, cost of raising funds and governance costs.

Governance costs consist of those costs associated with the overall running of the charity and meeting statutory and regulatory requirements.

1.6 Fixed asset investments

Fixed assets investments represent listed investments which are stated at market valuation, where market value represents the mid market value on the last trading day before the year end. Any unrealised or realised gains arising from investments are accounted for in the Statement of Financial Activities.

1.7 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

1.8 Financial instruments

Basic financial assets, which include trade and other receivables 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.

1 Accounting policies **(Continued)**

Other financial assets, including investments in equity instruments which are not subsidiaries, associates or joint ventures, are initially measured at fair value, which is normally the transaction price. Such assets are subsequently carried at fair value and the changes in fair value are recognised in net income/(expenditure), except that investments in equity instruments that are not publicly traded and whose fair values cannot be measured reliably are measured at cost less impairment.

The charity does not invest in options, derivatives or other complex financial instruments.

1.9 Debtors

Debtors are receivable at their expected settlement amount.

1.10 Creditors

Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any discounts due.

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 Investment income

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2024	2023
	£	£
UK dividend income	8,945	13,079
Foreign interest income	687	341
Unit trust and fixed interest income	4,411	1,831
REIT dividend income	396	547
Foreign dividend income	2,495	1,650
Accrued interest	(203)	-
	16,731	17,448

4 Other income

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
Bank interest received	1,519	416

5 Raising funds

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
Investment management fees	4,324	4,349

6 Charitable activities

	2024 £	2023 £
Grant funding of activities (see note 8)	100,000	100,000
Share of support costs (see note 7)	12,287	12,351
Share of governance costs (see note 7)	-	(87)
	112,287	112,264

7 Support costs

	Support costs £	Governance costs £	2024 £	2023 £
Bank charges	40	-	40	20
Management and administration fees	12,000	-	12,000	12,000
Trustee expenses	247	-	247	331
Independent examinationt fees	-	-	-	(87)
	12,287	-	12,287	12,264
Analysed between				
Charitable activities	12,287	-	12,287	12,264

8 Grants payable

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
Grants to institutions:		
Education	44,750	49,875
Overseas hospitals and medicine	21,000	21,500
Children	28,250	16,125
Hospices	2,000	3,000
Food banks and community	4,000	9,500
	100,000	100,000

9 Trustees

Miss L J Cousins (a Trustee) is also a director of Rathbones Trust Company Limited which charged management and administration fees to the charity as detailed in note 6. amounting to £12,000 (2023: £12,000). Rathbones Investment Management Limited, a company under the same ownership as Rathbones Trust Company Limited charged the charity £4,324 (2023: £4,349) for investment management services.

The following Trustees received reimbursement for travel expenses incurred as Trustees as follows:
Dr Stephen Barclay £56.90
Dr Andrew Barclay £53.84
Professor John Barclay £136.15

The Trustees report that Mrs JRS Johnston acts a Trustee of the Nzirambi Orphans Talent Development Centre (NOTDEC UK), to which the James Knott Family Foundation made a donation payment of £28,250 in the current period (2023: £16,125)

The Trustees report that Dr A Barclay acts as a Trustee of The Society of Friends of Mvumi Hospital to which the James Knott Family Foundation made a donation of £13,000 in the current period (2023: £13,500).

10 Employees

There were no employees during the period.

11 Net (losses) on investments

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
Gain / (loss) on revaluation of investments	8,266	(18,265)
(Loss) on sale of investments	(12,243)	(24,455)
	(3,977)	(42,720)

12 Fixed asset investments

	Listed investments	Cash in portfolio	Total
	£		£
Valuation			
At 1 February 2023	698,657	39,877	738,534
Additions	303,473	-	303,473
Unrealised gain	8,266	-	8,266
Realised (loss)	(12,243)	-	(12,243)
Disposals	(368,715)	(36,908)	(405,623)
At 31 January 2024	629,438	2,969	632,407

Investments representing more than 5% of the portfolio's total market value (excluding cash):

Investment	Units	Market Value £	% of Total Market Value
Capita Financial Mgrs Trojan Global	35,000	45,405	7.21%
JP Morgan US Equity	27,440	42,258	6.71%

12 Fixed asset investments **(Continued)**

13 Debtors

	2024	2023
Amounts falling due within one year:	**£**	**£**
Prepayments and accrued income	642	293

14 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	**£**
Accruals and deferred income	6,000	6,000

15 Cash generated from operations

	2024	2023
	£	**£**
Deficit for the year	(102,338)	(141,469)
Adjustments for:		
Investment income recognised in statement of financial activities	(16,731)	(17,448)
Loss on disposal of investments	12,243	24,455
Unrealised gain on investments	(8,266)	18,265
Movements in working capital:		
(Decrease) in creditors	-	(2,155)
Cash absorbed by operations	(115,092)	(118,352)

16 Analysis of changes in net funds

The Charity had no material debt during the year.

17 Taxation

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

18 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 1 February 2023	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Gains and losses	At 31 January 2024
	£	**£**	**£**	**£**	**£**
General funds	751,603	18,250	(116,611)	(3,977)	649,265

18 Unrestricted funds **(Continued)**

Previous year:	At 1 February 2022	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Gains and losses	At 31 January 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	893,072	17,864	(116,613)	(42,720)	751,603

19 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2023 - none) other than those detailed in note 9.

20 Cash and cash equivalents

	2024	2023
	£	£
Cash at bank and in hand	22,216	18,776
Cash held in investment portfolio	2,969	39,877
	25,185	58,653

21 Donations made during the year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Arthur Rank Hospice	2,000	3,000
Candle for India (Deepti Centre)	8,000	8,000
Centre for Theology & Community	-	2,500
Emmanuel College, Cambridge	15,000	15,000
Kings College Memorial Service	2,500	-
Nzirambi Orphans Talent Development Centre UK (NOTDEC UK)	28,250	16,125
Refugee Education UK	-	7,000
Society of Friends of Mvumi Hospital	13,000	13,500
SPEAR	15,000	15,000
The Kite Trust	8,500	8,500
Trussell Trust	4,000	7,000
University of Cambridge - Prizes	3,750	4,375
	100,000	100,000