

THE TURNER-KIRK TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 1195585

Details

Status Registered

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Registered 2021-08-20

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECTS ARE TO PAY OR APPLY THE CAPITAL AND INCOME HELD BY THE CIO TO OR TOWARDS OR FOR THE BENEFIT OR FURTHERANCE OF SUCH CHARITABLE PURPOSES OR CHARITABLE ORGANISATIONS (WHETHER CORPORATE OR UNINCORPORATED) AT SUCH TIME, IN SUCH MANNER AND IN SUCH PROPORTIONS AS THE TRUSTEES MAY FROM TIME TO TIME DETERMINE.

Activities: The Turner Kirk Trust is a family foundation that supports science, technology, engineering, mathematics, conservation & biodiversity, and early childhood development causes in the UK and developing world.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Malawi
- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-05	£250,000	£167,590	-	-
2024-04-05	£201,000	£358,486	-	-
2023-04-05	£250,000	£235,914	-	-
2022-04-05	£250,000	£42,396	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Dr Patricia Jane Turner	Chair	2021-08-20
Dr Ewan McKinnon Kirk		2021-08-20

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Trustees' report for the year ended 5 April 2025

The trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 5 April 2025.

The Trustees confirm that the Annual Report and financial statements of the charity comply with the current statutory requirements, the requirements of the charity's governing document and the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2019).

Structure, governance and management

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Dr Patricia Jane Turner

Dr Ewan McKinnon Kirk

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The trustees have reviewed the risks to the charity's assets and income and are satisfied that adequate controls are in place.

Objects and activities

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Main activities undertaken to further the charity's purposes for the public benefit

3 grants totaling £98,711 (2024: £266,513) were awarded in the year to charitable institutions within the education sector in line with the charity's objectives. Grants are typically awarded within the range of £5,000 to £120,000.

Achievements, performance and financial review

Main achievements of the charity

Of the projects noted in our report last year, there have been positive results and interesting outcomes overall.

The University of Glasgow, STEM space

Launched in 2023, the first two years of the STEM Space project have shown that applying spatial learning to some maths lessons, while teaching the same core curriculum, improves performance in the subject by an average of 20%. The project, led by Professor Quintin Cutts and Dr Jack Parkinson of the University's School of Computing Science, was tested in 4 Primary classes in 150 schools across six regions. The study also showed similar success in reducing gender and economic deprivation-based gaps in maths skills, and even improved skills in unexpected areas, such as collaboration, creativity, and communication. In March 2025, the Trust made a further Grant of £18,711 to support the extension of Dr Jack Parkinson's contract by four months, allowing him to continue the STEM Space project while the University of Glasgow and the Scottish Government discuss its potential for a national rollout to influence education policy.

Future plans involve creating a Turner Kirk Spatial Skills Centre at the University of Glasgow to further the initiative. Based at the University of Glasgow, with Professor Cutts as Director, the Turner Kirk Centre for Spatial Reasoning will work closely with educators, schools, and local authorities to roll out spatial learning to primary pupils more widely across Scotland in classes from P4 to P7. The proposed launch comes amid a concerted push from the Scottish Government and Education Scotland to improve maths learning, teaching and attainment.

Raise Your Hands

In April 2024 a donation of £10,000 was made to this organisation, which provides unrestricted funding and resources to small, impactful charities, enabling them to focus on supporting disadvantaged children across the UK. The initiative connects donors and companies with a carefully curated portfolio of charities, offering unique experiences like Midnight Madness, an overnight puzzle-solving challenge, and the corporate social impact program. This organisation supports charities specialising in areas such as education, mental health, conservation, arts, and family support. Raise Your Hands also offers consulting, awareness-building, and networking opportunities, fostering knowledge-sharing among charities. By focusing on small, agile organizations, the initiative addresses pressing issues without the bureaucracy of larger institutions, thus ensuring maximum impact.

Imperial College, London

In 2023, the Turner Kirk Trust launched the Sprint Challenge in partnership with Imperial College London with a grant of £43,000 to support innovative, cross-disciplinary research addressing conservation challenges through the creative application of mathematics. The Challenge invited researchers from the Centre for Environmental Policy and the Departments of Life Sciences and Mathematics to develop short, six-month projects that might not otherwise attract conventional funding, using a streamlined process designed to minimise administrative burden.

In July 2024, a further grant was awarded to the college of £70,000 to extend this approach, supporting new, collaborative and high-risk research with the potential to deliver transformative solutions to unsolved conservation challenges. Three interdisciplinary teams were selected, drawing on expertise across environmental policy, life sciences and mathematics.

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The research generated a set of complementary insights into conservation, ecosystems and governance, including agent-based models predicting the widespread adoption of Locally Managed Marine Areas by 2030, the creation of the first fully functional Digital Ecosystem Twin to simulate ecosystem responses to climate change, and a new understanding of how over-harvesting and governance structures shape ecological outcomes.

Financial review

The financial results for the year show an overall surplus of £82,410 (2024: deficit of £157,486) on unrestricted reserves. Income for the charity was £250,000 (2024: £201,000) and expenses, including grants, of £167,590 (2024: £358,486).

Going concern

The Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the accounting policies.

Reserves policy

The reserves on account for this financial term are £146,614 (2024: £64,204). These reserves are held on account to be accessed readily when a grant has been agreed and is to be made by the Trustees on behalf of the Trust.

All reserves are held as unrestricted funds.

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Trustees' responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the accounts in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

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- prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which are sufficient to show and explain the trustees' transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and which enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Charities Act 2011, the relevant Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the charity's governing document. 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.

Signed on behalf of the board of trustees:

Dr E M Kirk
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Dr E M Kirk
Trustee

Date: 28/01/2026
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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Turner-Kirk Trust for the year ended 5 April 2025

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Turner-Kirk Trust for the year ended 5 April 2025 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet and the notes to the accounts, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 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

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000, your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

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 charity 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 applicable requirements concerning the form and content of the 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.

.....
Julie Mutton

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Date: 28/01/2026

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Statement of financial activities for the year ended 5 April 2025

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	Total funds 2024 £
Income:				
Donations	2	250,000	250,000	201,000
Total income		250,000	250,000	201,000
Expenditure:				
Charitable activities - grants	3	98,711	98,711	266,513
Charitable activities - support costs	4	68,879	68,879	91,973
Total expenditure		167,590	167,590	358,486
Net movement in funds		82,410	82,410	(157,486)
Total reconciliation of funds:				
Total funds brought forward		64,204	64,204	221,690
Total funds carried forward		146,614	146,614	64,204

All income and expenditure derives from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 8 to 12 form part of these accounts.

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Balance sheet as at 5 April 2025

	Notes	£	2025 £	£	2024 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	7		1,597		-
Current assets					
Debtors	8	-		395	
Cash at bank and in hand		159,084		69,024	
			159,084	69,419	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	(14,067)		(5,215)	
Net current assets			145,017		64,204
Net assets			146,614		64,204
Charity funds					
Unrestricted funds			146,614		64,204
			146,614		64,204

The accounts were approved by the board, authorised for issue and signed on their behalf by:

Dr E M Kirk
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Dr E M Kirk
Trustee

Date: 28/01/2026
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The notes on pages 8 to 12 form part of these accounts.

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended 5 April 2025

1 Accounting policies

1.1 General information

The Turner-Kirk Trust is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) governed by the Trustees in accordance with the Constitution which was last updated on the 18 January 2022. The Charity is registered with the Charity Commission of England and Wales, charity number 1195585.

The principal address of the charity is Stonecross, Trumpington High Street, Cambridge, CB2 9SU.

1.2 Basis of preparation

The accounts 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).

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified to include gifts to the Foundation at fair value on the date they were gifted.

The trustees confirm that the charity is a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity's presentational currency is GBP.

1.3 Going concern

The trustees have reviewed the financial position of the charity and consider that the going concern basis of accounting is appropriate. There are no material uncertainties in relation to the going concern status of the charity.

1.4 Income

Donations and gifts are credited to the Statement of financial activities in the period in which the charity becomes entitled to the respective asset, receipt is probable and the value can be measured.

1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be recovered and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.

Grants payable are payments made to third parties in furtherance of the charitable objects of the Trust. Grants payable are charged in the year when the offer is made and the recipient has reasonable expectation that they will receive the grant, except in those cases where the offer is conditional. Such grants are recognised as expenditure when the conditions attaching are fulfilled (or when it is probable that conditions will be fulfilled and satisfaction of the conditions is outside the control of the Trustees).

Support costs consist of costs not directly attributable to direct charitable expenditure but which are in respect of the general administration of the charity and overall management of the funds.

1.6 Financial instruments

The charity only has financial assets and liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

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1 Accounting policies

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1.7 Pensions

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme and the pension charge represents the amounts payable by the charity to the fund in respect of the year.

1.8 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

2 Income from donations

	2025	2024
	£	£
Donations	250,000	201,000
	<u>250,000</u>	<u>201,000</u>

3 Grants payable

	2025	2024
	£	£
Grants to institutions - 3 Grants (2024: 6)		
Darwin College, University of Cambridge	-	5,263
Imperial College London	70,000	43,000
Raise Your Hands	10,000	23,000
Solar Aid	-	120,000
University of Glasgow	18,711	75,000
Grants under £1,000 (no grants / 2024: 1)	-	250
	<u>98,711</u>	<u>266,513</u>

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4 Support costs

	2025	2024
	£	£
Staff costs (note 5)	42,129	62,561
Events and networking	11,908	13,897
Legal expenses	1,692	1,283
Rent	(68)	7,360
Payroll processing costs	416	666
Bank charges	132	152
Depreciation	702	-
Recruitment agency fees	4,800	-
Sundry expenses	53	-
	<u>61,764</u>	<u>85,919</u>

The following costs are considered to be costs of governance:

Accountancy fees	5,792	4,794
Independent examiner fees	1,323	1,260
	<u>7,115</u>	<u>6,054</u>
	<u>68,879</u>	<u>91,973</u>

5 Staff costs

	2025	2024
	£	£
Wages and salaries	40,895	54,237
Social security costs	-	5,682
Contribution to defined contribution pension schemes	1,234	2,642
	<u>42,129</u>	<u>62,561</u>

The average number of persons employed during the year was 1 (2024: 1).

No employee received remuneration amounting to more than £60,000 in either year.

6 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or other benefits during this year or the previous year.

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7 Tangible fixed assets

	Computer equipment £	Total £
Cost or valuation		
At 6 April 2024	-	-
Additions	2,299	2,299
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At 5 April 2025	2,299	2,299
	<hr/>	<hr/>
Depreciation		
At 6 April 2024	-	-
Charge for period	(702)	(702)
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At 5 April 2025	(702)	(702)
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Net book value		
At 5 April 2025	1,597	1,597
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At 5 April 2024	-	-
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8 Debtors

	2025 £	2024 £
Other debtors	-	395
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	-	395
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9 Creditors

	2025 £	2024 £
Accruals and deferred income	9,059	3,804
Trade creditors	-	252
Other creditors	5,008	1,159
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	14,067	5,215
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10 Related parties

The charity received aggregate unconditional donations from trustees of £250,000 (2024: £200,000).

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Achievements, performance and financial review

Main achievements of the charity

Of the projects noted in our report last year, there have been positive results and interesting outcomes overall.

- Thanks to the help of the Trust, the "Light a Village" project by SOLAR AID has now achieved 100% solar energy access for entire communities in sub-Saharan Africa, starting in Malawi, targeting populations unlikely to gain electricity within the next decade. They received a £120,000 fund matching grant from the Trust in June 2023 for Phase 2, aiming to secure additional funding and raise awareness. Universal solar access was achieved in Kasakula, Malawi, as a scalable model for SDG7 (Universal Energy Access).

The Trust's co-founders visited Malawi in early 2024 to assess impacts. Expansion plans included scaling the model to an 80,000-household district in Malawi as well pilot initiatives in Sierra Leone and Senegal. They are also engaging international stakeholders to secure funding, and are working hard to form partnerships with the Government and position the project as a transformative approach to tackling energy access challenges in remote, impoverished communities

- The STEM SPACE project, a collaboration between the Turner Kirk Trust and the University of Glasgow, aims to enhance spatial thinking skills in primary school children, fostering confidence and proficiency in STEM subjects. Launched in August 2023, the initiative is based on Australia's MathsBURST curriculum. After adapting the curriculum for Scottish classrooms and conducting teacher training, the project launched in August 2023 in 30 schools across Glasgow, Renfrewshire, and Moray, with positive outcomes: significant improvements in pupils' spatial skills (22%), maths (20%), and computational thinking (12%). Teachers reported enhanced student engagement, communication skills, and resilience, especially among students who typically struggled with maths. Initial feedback from teachers and students was highly positive, highlighting improved engagement, confidence, and problem-solving abilities. A grant of £75,000 in March 2024 enabled the project to expand to include 150 schools across six regions, introducing new curriculum levels (P5) and a Champion Programme to facilitate broader implementation.

The University of Glasgow STEM SPACE team aims to trial the program at scale, demonstrating its potential for national rollout and influencing education policy. Ongoing discussions with the Scottish Government show promise, with next steps including data sharing, detailed proposals, and collaboration on governance and resource allocation. Future plans involve creating a Turner - Kirk Spatial Skills Centre at the University of Glasgow to further the initiative. A national rollout depends on government support, including funding, analytical resources, and advocacy, to track and demonstrate the program's long-term impact on STEM education outcomes.

- RAISE YOUR HANDS is a charitable organisation that provides unrestricted funding and resources to small, impactful charities, enabling them to focus on supporting disadvantaged children across the UK. The initiative connects donors and companies with a carefully curated portfolio of charities, offering unique experiences like Midnight Madness, an overnight puzzle-solving challenge, and the corporate social impact program. In 2023, £23,000 was donated to Midnight Madness. This organisation supports charities specialising in areas such as education, mental health, conservation, arts, and family support.

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- In 2023, the Turner Kirk Trust launched the IMPERIAL COLLEGE LONDON - SPRINT CHALLENGE FUND aimed at funding innovative research to address conservation challenges using applied mathematics. The fund supported new, collaborative, high-risk projects to tackle unsolved conservation issues, with a focus on research that could potentially lead to transformative solutions. The 2024 funding call, supported by a donation of £8,000 from the Trust, encouraged applicants to propose breakthrough ideas at the intersection of mathematics and biodiversity conservation. Interested participants were invited to an Information, Brainstorming, and Networking Session and attendees could then submit short abstract proposals.

Three interdisciplinary research teams at Imperial College London were chosen to tackle environmental challenges using mathematical approaches. The projects, united expertise from the Centre for Environmental Policy (CEP), Department of Life Sciences (DoLS), and Department of Mathematics (DoM), address critical conservation issues. These projects highlighted the transformative potential of integrating mathematics with conservation science to address global environmental challenges

- In October 2023, a £35,000 donation was made to the TURNER KIRK TRUST ANTARCTIC KRILL PROJECT, a collaboration between Imperial College, the British Antarctic Survey (BAS), and other partners. The project focused on using advanced spatio-temporal modeling to understand Antarctic krill distribution and its role in the Southern Ocean ecosystem, particularly within the Southwest Atlantic's CCAMLR Area 48, home to 70% of the global krill stock. The project incorporated high-resolution ocean and sea-ice models with new data from drifting buoys, yielding improved predictions of krill abundance. It addressed key processes like retention, dispersal, and movement pathways affecting krill availability for predators and fisheries and the modeling has been successful in the South Orkney Islands region, which is critical for understanding krill availability in the Scotia Sea.

Future research aims to expand these insights to other regions and investigate broader impacts on the carbon cycle and fishery management. Two PhD projects have been launched to build on this work, focusing on biological carbon sinks and ocean dynamics modeling. Further discussions with BAS are planned in 2025 to explore next steps and implications of the findings. While the funded portion has concluded, the collaboration will continue to advance understanding of krill ecology, with applications for climate change sensitivity and sustainable fisheries management. The project has also supported career development, with lead researcher Dr. André Ribeiro Amaral securing a lectureship at the University of Southampton. The donation has facilitated significant progress in understanding krill dynamics, with potential impacts on conservation, climate research, and fisheries management.

- In March 2024 a grant of £5,262.50 was given to Darwin College, for a BUSINESS PLAN COMPETITION for students to encourage and reward entrepreneurial activity among students, building on existing interest in innovation and start-ups. This initiative fostered entrepreneurship among Darwin students and connected them with valuable alumni and institutional resources.

Financial review

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- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the accounts; and
- prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which are sufficient to show and explain the trustees' transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and which enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Charities Act 2011, the relevant Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the charity's governing document. 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.

Signed on behalf of the board of trustees:



.....
Dr E M Kirk
Trustee

Date: 10/03/2025
.....

The Turner-Kirk Trust

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Turner-Kirk Trust for the year ended 5 April 2024

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Turner-Kirk Trust for the year ended 5 April 2024 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet and the notes to the accounts, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 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 charity 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 applicable requirements concerning the form and content of the 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.

Julie Mutton

Julie Mutton (Mar 10, 2025 14:04 GMT)

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Julie Mutton FCA

Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales

CLA Evelyn Partners Limited
Chartered Accountants
4th floor, Cumberland House
15-17 Cumberland Place
Southampton
Hampshire
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Date: 10/03/2025

The Turner-Kirk Trust

Statement of financial activities for the year ended 5 April 2024

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
Income:				
Donations	2	201,000	201,000	250,000
Total income		201,000	201,000	250,000
Expenditure:				
Charitable activities - grants	3	266,513	266,513	157,102
Charitable activities - support costs	4	91,973	91,973	78,812
Total expenditure		358,486	358,486	235,914
Net movement in funds		(157,486)	(157,486)	14,086
Total reconciliation of funds:				
Total funds brought forward		221,690	221,690	207,604
Total funds carried forward		64,204	64,204	221,690

All income and expenditure derives from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 8 to 11 form part of these accounts.

The Turner-Kirk Trust

Balance sheet as at 5 April 2024

	Notes	£	2024 £	£	2023 £
Current assets					
Debtors	7	395		-	
Cash at bank and in hand		69,024		225,791	
		69,419		225,791	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	(5,215)		(4,101)	
Net current assets			64,204		221,690
Net assets			64,204		221,690
Charity funds					
Unrestricted funds			64,204		221,690
			64,204		221,690

The accounts were approved by the board, authorised for issue and signed on their behalf by:



.....
Dr E M Kirk
Trustee

10/03/2025
Date:

The notes on pages 8 to 11 form part of these accounts.

The Turner-Kirk Trust

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 5 April 2024

1 Accounting policies

1.1 General information

The Turner-Kirk Trust is a UK charity (No 1195585).

The principal address of the charity is Stonecross, Trumpington High Street, Cambridge, CB2 9SU.

1.2 Basis of preparation

The accounts 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).

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified to include gifts to the Foundation at fair value on the date they were gifted.

The trustees confirm that the charity is a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity's presentational currency is GBP.

1.3 Going concern

The trustees have reviewed the financial position of the charity and consider that the going concern basis of accounting is appropriate. There are no material uncertainties in relation to the going concern status of the charity.

1.4 Income

Donations and gifts are credited to the Statement of financial activities in the period in which the charity becomes entitled to the respective asset, receipt is probable and the value can be measured.

1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be recovered and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.

Grants payable are payments made to third parties in furtherance of the charitable objects of the Trust. Grants payable are charged in the year when the offer is made and the recipient has reasonable expectation that they will receive the grant, except in those cases where the offer is conditional. Such grants are recognised as expenditure when the conditions attaching are fulfilled (or when it is probable that conditions will be fulfilled and satisfaction of the conditions is outside the control of the Trustees).

Support costs consist of costs not directly attributable to direct charitable expenditure but which are in respect of the general administration of the charity and overall management of the funds.

1.6 Financial instruments

The charity only has financial assets and liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

1.7 Pensions

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme and the pension charge represents the amounts payable by the charity to the fund in respect of the year.

The Turner-Kirk Trust

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 5 April 2024

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

1.8 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

2 Income from donations

	2024	2023
	£	£
Donations	201,000	250,000
	<u>201,000</u>	<u>250,000</u>

3 Grants payable

	2024	2023
	£	£
Grants to institutions - 6 Grants (2023: 3)		
Darwin College, University of Cambridge	5,263	-
Imperial College London	43,000	70,102
Raise Your Hands	23,000	15,000
Solar Aid	120,000	-
University of Glasgow	75,000	72,000
Grants under £1,000 (1 grant / 2023: none)	250	-
	<u>266,513</u>	<u>157,102</u>

The Turner-Kirk Trust

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 5 April 2024

4 Support costs

	2024	2023
	£	£
Staff costs (note 5)	62,561	60,001
Events and networking	13,897	3,876
Legal expenses	1,283	3,093
Rent	7,360	7,764
Payroll processing costs	666	756
Bank charges	152	102
	85,919	75,592

The following costs are considered to be costs of governance:

Accountancy fees	4,794	-
Independent examiner fees	1,260	3,220
	6,054	3,220
	91,973	78,812

5 Staff costs

	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and salaries	54,237	51,333
Social security costs	5,682	6,082
Contribution to defined contribution pension schemes	2,642	2,585
	62,561	60,001

The average number of persons employed during the year was 1 (2023: 1).

No employee received remuneration amounting to more than £60,000 in either year.

6 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or other benefits during this year or the previous year.

7 Debtors

	2024	2023
	£	£
Other debtors	395	-
	395	-

The Turner-Kirk Trust

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 5 April 2024

8 Creditors

	2024	2023
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	3,804	3,000
Trade creditors	252	144
Other creditors	1,159	957
	5,215	4,101

9 Related parties

The charity received aggregate unconditional donations from trustees of £200,000 (2023: £250,000).

THE TURNER-KIRK TRUST

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Accounts

THE TURNER-KIRK TRUST
(A Company Limited by Guarantee)

UNAUDITED

TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023

THE TURNER-KIRK TRUST
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THE TURNER-KIRK TRUST
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**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE COMPANY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023**

Trustees	Dr P J Turner, Trustee Dr E M Kirk, Trustee
Company registered number	CE026500
Charity registered number	1195585
Registered office	Stonecross Trumpington High Street Cambridge B3 2AB
Accountants	Evelyn Partners (East) LLP Stonecross Trumpington High Street Cambridge CB2 9SU

THE TURNER-KIRK TRUST
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TRUSTEES' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of the Company for the year 6 April 2022 to 5 April 2023. The Annual Report serves the purposes of both a Trustees' report and a directors' report under company law. The Trustees confirm that the Annual Report and financial statements of the charitable company comply with the current statutory requirements, the requirements of the charitable company's governing document and the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2019).

Since the Company qualifies as small under section 382 of the Companies Act 2006, the Strategic Report required of medium and large companies under the Companies Act 2006 (Strategic Report and Directors' Report) Regulations 2013 has been omitted.

Objectives and activities

a. Policies and objectives

A family foundation that supports science, technology, engineering, mathematics (STEM), conservation and biodiversity and early childhood development causes in the UK and developing world.

In setting objectives and planning for activities, the Trustees have given due consideration to general guidance published by the Charity Commission relating to public benefit, including the guidance 'Public benefit: running a charity (PB2)'.

b. Strategies for achieving objectives

To identify and support initiatives in line with the Trust's objectives and to enable projects and research to go ahead where the desired outcome is not necessarily certain. To give 'permission to fail' thereby giving the opportunity to learn. Learning from failures can produce faster results and ultimately generate a greater impact.

c. Main activities undertaken to further the Company's purposes for the public benefit

The trustees confirm that they have referred to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when making grants and agreeing the distribution policy for the year.

6 grants totaling £157,102 (2022: £Nil) were awarded in the year to charitable institutions within the education sector in line with the charity's objectives.. Grants were awarded within the range of £7,500 to £50,000.

THE TURNER-KIRK TRUST
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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023

Achievements and performance

a. Main achievements of the Company

Of the projects noted in our report last year, there have been positive results and interesting outcomes overall

- The Trust made an undertaking to match up to £120,000 in funds secured by Solar Aid for the Light a Village initiative with an end date to raise money of year-end 2023. The target was achieved and the aim of bringing on board alternative and on-going funding as well as creating wider awareness of the scheme deemed a success.

The co-founders are due to visit one of the projects in Malawi at some point in 2024 to see for themselves the impact of their support and to meet with officials to discuss significant scaling up of the project and possibly government support.

- Project Hexis became known as STEM SPACE and is fully up and running with various sets of data being collected from experimental classes being run in primary schools in Glasgow and Renfrewshire.

Generally the results are positive if at times unexpected. The project has a good reach with awareness of its existence spreading amongst researchers in England as well as Scotland. There has been some very positive press coverage and continued engagement with local government

- The Turner Kirk Sprint Challenge run by Imperial College and set up to accelerate conservation solutions by bringing together conservation scientists and mathematicians to develop transformative, tangible solutions to address biodiversity conservation has concluded for 2023.

The challenge was very well supported which resulted in not one but three projects being selected to receive funding to complete a 'sprint'. Following the selection process at Easter the project kicked off in early May with presentations of their work delivered by the teams in December at Imperial College.

Imperial College were delighted by the work this funding enabled and the format which breaks the mould of conventional research funding and timescales. There were collaborations formed between the departments which were entirely as a result of the initiative and resulting projects which will hopefully go on to seek further funding from alternative sources having been given the opportunity by the TKT sprint challenge to prove their potential.

- The Turner Fellow, Matthew Spencer commenced his Fellowship in October with 10 days spent in residence at Darwin College.

Matthew is Global Director, Landscapes at IDH and has significant experience in brokering sustainable land use strategies between international commodity businesses, small farmers and government agencies across Asian, Africa and Latin America. He has held leadership roles with Oxfam and Green Alliance and was a member of the UK Government Renewable Advisory Board.

At a dinner to mark the commencement of the Fellowship Matthew spoke enthusiastically about his role in the future of CCI's global conservation efforts and his desire to foster cross-disciplinary collaborations with businesses, policymakers and society in support of CCI's strategic plan.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023

Financial review

a. Financials

The financial results for the year show an overall surplus of £14,086 (2022: £207,604) on unrestricted reserves. Income for the charity was £250,000 (2022: £250,000) and expenses of £235,914 (2022: £42,396).

b. Going Concern

The Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the accounting policies.

c. Reserve policy

The reserves on account for this financial term are £221,690 (2022: £207,604). These reserves are held on account to be accessed readily when a grant has been agreed and is to be made by the Trustees on behalf of the Trust.

All reserves are held as unrestricted funds.

Structure, governance and management

a. Constitution

The Turner-Kirk Trust is an Incorporated Charitable Trust (CIO) governed by the Trustees in accordance with the Constitution which was last updated on the 18 January 2022. The Charity is registered with the charity commission of England and Wales.

b. Methods of appointment or election of Trustees

The management of the Charity is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Constitution.

c. Organisational structure and decision-making policies

The charity's first trustees are Dr E Kirk and Dr P Turner. The charity is run on a daily basis by a Programme Coordinator.

d. Policies adopted for the induction and training of Trustees

Trustees will make available to each new trustee, a copy of the constitution and any amendments made to it and a copy of the latest annual report and statement of accounts.

Trustees are required to read the guidance given by the Charity Commission relating to trustee duties and responsibilities.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023

Structure, governance and management (continued)

e. Financial risk management

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the Company is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the Company, and are satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees (who are also the directors of the Company for the purposes of company law) 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).

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law, the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, 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 of the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards (FRS 102) have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Company will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



.....
Dr E M Kirk

Date: 02 Feb 2024

THE TURNER-KIRK TRUST
(A Company Limited by Guarantee)

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023

Independent examiner's report to the Trustees of The Turner-Kirk Trust ('the Charity')

I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 5 April 2023.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the Trustees of the Company (and 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 the Company's accounts 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

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.

This report is made solely to the Company's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Company's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's Report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Company and the Company's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

Signed: 

Dated: 02 Feb 2024

Fran Reid FCA

Evelyn Partners (East) LLP
Stonecross
Trumpington High Street
Cambridge
CB2 9SU

THE TURNER-KIRK TRUST
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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023**

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £	<i>Total funds 2022 £</i>
Income from:				
Donations and legacies	3	250,000	250,000	<i>250,000</i>
Total income		<u>250,000</u>	<u>250,000</u>	<i>250,000</i>
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities	5	235,914	235,914	<i>42,396</i>
Total expenditure		<u>235,914</u>	<u>235,914</u>	<i>42,396</i>
Net movement in funds		<u>14,086</u>	<u>14,086</u>	<i>207,604</i>
Reconciliation of funds:				
Total funds brought forward		207,604	207,604	-
Net movement in funds		14,086	14,086	<i>207,604</i>
Total funds carried forward		<u>221,690</u>	<u>221,690</u>	<i>207,604</i>

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

The notes on pages 9 to 15 form part of these financial statements.

THE TURNER-KIRK TRUST
(A Company Limited by Guarantee)
REGISTERED NUMBER: CE026500

BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 5 APRIL 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
Current assets			
Cash at bank and in hand		225,791	209,748
		<u>225,791</u>	<u>209,748</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	(4,101)	(2,144)
Net current assets		<u>221,690</u>	<u>207,604</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>221,690</u>	<u>207,604</u>
Total net assets		<u>221,690</u>	<u>207,604</u>
Charity funds			
Restricted funds	11	-	-
Unrestricted funds	11	221,690	207,604
Total funds		<u><u>221,690</u></u>	<u><u>207,604</u></u>

The Charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of Companies Act 2006.

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and preparation of financial statements.

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

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



 Dr E M Kirk

Date: 02 Feb 2024

The notes on pages 9 to 15 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023

1. General information

The Turner-Kirk Trust is a UK charity (No 1195585) and is a company limited by guarantee (CEO26500).

The principal address of the charity is 78-84 Colmore Row, Birmingham B3 2AB.

2. Accounting policies

2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements 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 2015), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and 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 Charities SORP (FRS 102) published on 16 July 2014 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

The Turner-Kirk Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

2.2 Income

All income is recognised once the Company has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

Grants are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on a receivable basis. The balance of income received for specific purposes but not expended during the period is shown in the relevant funds on the Balance Sheet. Where income is received in advance of entitlement of receipt, its recognition is deferred and included in creditors as deferred income. Where entitlement occurs before income is received, the income is accrued.

2.3 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 allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

THE TURNER-KIRK TRUST
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.3 Expenditure (continued)

Expenditure on charitable activities is incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the Company's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

Grants payable are charged in the year when the offer is made except in those cases where the offer is conditional, such grants being recognised as expenditure when the conditions attaching are fulfilled. Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end are noted as a commitment, but not accrued as expenditure.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

2.4 Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance Sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the Company anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

2.5 Financial instruments

The Company only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

2.6 Pensions

The Company operates a defined contribution pension scheme and the pension charge represents the amounts payable by the Company to the fund in respect of the year.

2.7 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Company and which have not been designated for other purposes.

THE TURNER-KIRK TRUST
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023

3. Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £
Donations	250,000	250,000

	<i>Unrestricted funds 2022 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2022 £</i>
Donations	250,000	250,000

4. Analysis of grants

	Grants to Institutions 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £	<i>Total funds 2022 £</i>
Education	157,102	157,102	-

THE TURNER-KIRK TRUST
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023

5. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

Summary by fund type

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £
Grant making activities	235,914	235,914

	<i>Unrestricted funds 2022 £</i>	<i>Total 2022 £</i>
Grant making activities	42,396	42,396

6. Analysis of expenditure by activities

	Grant funding of activities 2023 £	Support costs 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £
Grant making activities	157,102	78,812	235,914

	<i>Support costs 2022 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2022 £</i>
Grant making activities	42,396	42,396

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023

6. Analysis of expenditure by activities (continued)

Analysis of support costs

	Total funds 2023 £	Total funds 2022 £
Staff costs	60,001	22,251
Events and networking	11,640	11,775
Legal expenses	3,093	6,007
Bank charges	102	45
Payroll processing costs	756	318
Independent examination	3,220	2,000
	78,812	42,396

7. Independent examiner's remuneration

	2023 £	2022 £
Fees payable to the Company's independent examiner for the independent examination of the Company's annual accounts	3,220	2,000
	3,220	2,000

8. Staff costs

	2023 £	2022 £
Wages and salaries	51,333	20,000
Social security costs	6,082	2,251
Contribution to defined contribution pension schemes	2,585	-
	60,000	22,251

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023

8. Staff costs (continued)

The average number of persons employed by the Company during the year was as follows:

	2023 No.	2022 No.
Employee	1	1

No employee received remuneration amounting to more than £60,000 in either year.

9. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits (2022 - £NIL).

During the year ended 5 April 2023, no Trustee expenses have been incurred (2022 - £NIL).

10. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2023 £	2022 £
Trade creditors	144	144
Other creditors	957	-
Accruals and deferred income	3,000	2,000
	<u>4,101</u>	<u>2,144</u>

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11. Statement of funds

Statement of funds - current year

	Balance at 6 April 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Balance at 5 April 2023 £
Unrestricted funds				
General Funds - all funds	207,604	250,000	(235,914)	221,690

Statement of funds - prior year

	<i>Income</i> £	<i>Expenditure</i> £	<i>Balance at</i> <i>5 April 2022</i> £
Unrestricted funds			
General Funds - all funds	250,000	(42,396)	207,604

12. Related party transactions

The charity received aggregate unconditional donations from trustees of £250,000 (2022: £250,000).

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Accounts

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**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE COMPANY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 5 APRIL 2022**

Trustees Dr P J Turner, Trustee (20/08/2021)
Dr E M Kirk, Trustee (20/08/2021)

Company registered number CE026500

Charity registered number 1195585

Registered office The Turner-Kirk Trust
78-84 Colmore Row
Birmingham
B3 2AB

Accountants Ashcroft Partnership LLP
Chartered Accountants
Stonecross
Trumpington High Street
Cambridge
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TRUSTEES' REPORT
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 5 APRIL 2022

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of the The Turner-Kirk Trust for the period 20 August 2021 to 5 April 2022. The Annual report serves the purposes of both a Trustees' report and a directors' report under company law. The Trustees confirm that the Annual report and financial statements of the charitable company comply with the current statutory requirements, the requirements of the charitable company's governing document and the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2019).

Since the Company qualifies as small under section 382 of the Companies Act 2006, the Strategic report required of medium and large companies under the Companies Act 2006 (Strategic Report and Directors' Report) Regulations 2013 has been omitted.

Objectives and activities

a. Policies and objectives

A family foundation that supports science, technology, engineering, mathematics (STEM), conservation and biodiversity and early childhood development causes in the UK and developing world.

In setting objectives and planning for activities, the Trustees have given due consideration to general guidance published by the Charity Commission relating to public benefit, including the guidance 'Public benefit: running a charity (PB2)'.

b. Strategies for achieving objectives

To identify and support initiatives in line with the Trust's objectives and to enable projects and research to go ahead where the desired outcome is not necessarily certain. To give 'permission to fail' thereby giving the opportunity to learn. Learning from failures can produce faster results and ultimately generate a greater impact.

Achievements and performance

a. Main achievements of the Company

Some of the projects receiving our support this year:

- Match funding a project to provide a village in Malawi with the equipment to generate electricity from solar power.
- Funding a project which hopes to prove that spatial awareness can be taught to and learned by school age children and illustrate the benefits to wider society and local economies of its teaching at primary and secondary school level.
- Supporting a 'challenge fund' to accelerate conservation solutions by bringing together conservation scientists and mathematicians to develop transformative and tangible solutions to address biodiversity conservation
- Co-funding a global child protection programme which aims to reduce the number of children in institutionalised care, in favour of family-based care

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)
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Financial review

a. Financial's

The financial results for the period ended 5th April 2022 show an overall profit of £207,000 on unrestricted reserves. Income for the charity was £250,000 and expenses of £42,396 for the period.

b. Going Concern

The Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the accounting policies.

c. Reserves Policy

The reserves on account for this financial term are £207,000. These reserves are held on account to be accessed readily when a grant has been agreed and is to be made by the Trustees on behalf of the Trust.

All reserves are held as unrestricted funds.

Structure, governance and management

a. Constitution

The Turner-Kirk Trust is an Incorporated Charitable Trust (CIO) governed by the Trustees in accordance with the Constitution which was last updated on the 18 January 2022. The Charity is registered with the charity commission of England and Wales.

b. Methods of appointment or election of Trustees

The management of the Charity is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Constitution.

c. Organisational structure and decision-making policies

The charity's first trustees are Dr E Kirk and Dr P Turner. The charity is run on a daily basis by a Programme Coordinator.

d. Policies adopted for the induction and training of Trustees

Trustees will make available to each new trustee, a copy of the constitution and any amendments made to it and a copy of the latest annual report and statement of accounts.

Trustees are required to read the guidance given by the Charity Commission relating to trustee duties and responsibilities.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)
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Structure, governance and management (continued)

e. Financial risk management

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the Charity is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the Charity, and are satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees (who are also the directors of the Company for the purposes of company law) 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).

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial period. Under company law, the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, 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 of the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Company will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



.....
Dr E M Kirk

Date: 02 Feb 2023

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 5 APRIL 2022

Independent examiner's report to the Trustees of The Turner-Kirk Trust ('the Charity')

I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the period ended 5 April 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Trustees of the Charity (and 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 Charity 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 the Charity's accounts 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 Charity 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.

This report is made solely to the Charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charity and the Charity's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

Signed: 

Dated: 02 Feb 2023

Fran Reid

Chartered Accountant

Ashcroft Partnership LLP
Chartered Accountants

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 5 APRIL 2022

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £
Income from:			
Donations and legacies	3	250,000	250,000
Total income		<u>250,000</u>	<u>250,000</u>
Expenditure on:			
Charitable activities	4	42,396	42,396
Total expenditure		<u>42,396</u>	<u>42,396</u>
Net movement in funds		<u>207,604</u>	<u>207,604</u>
Reconciliation of funds:			
Net movement in funds		207,604	207,604
Total funds carried forward		<u>207,604</u>	<u>207,604</u>

The Statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the period.

The notes on pages 8 to 12 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 5 APRIL 2022

	Note	2022 £
Current assets		
Cash at bank and in hand		209,748
		<u>209,748</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	<u>(2,144)</u>
Net current assets		<u>207,604</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>207,604</u>
Total net assets		<u><u>207,604</u></u>
Charity funds		
Restricted funds	10	-
Unrestricted funds	10	207,604
Total funds		<u><u>207,604</u></u>

The Charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit for the period in question in accordance with section 476 of Companies Act 2006.

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and preparation of financial statements.

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

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



.....
Dr E M Kirk

Date: 02 Feb 2023

The notes on pages 8 to 12 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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1. General information

The Turner-Kirk Trust is a UK charity (No 1195585).

The principal address of the charity is 78-84 Colmore Row, Birmingham B3 2AB

2. Accounting policies

2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements 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), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

The Turner-Kirk Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

2.2 Income

All income is recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

Grants are included in the Statement of financial activities on a receivable basis. The balance of income received for specific purposes but not expended during the period is shown in the relevant funds on the Balance sheet. Where income is received in advance of entitlement of receipt, its recognition is deferred and included in creditors as deferred income. Where entitlement occurs before income is received, the income is accrued.

2.3 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 allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

Expenditure on charitable activities is incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the Company's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

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2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.4 Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the Charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

2.5 Financial instruments

The Charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

2.6 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

3. Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £
Donations	250,000	250,000

4. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

Summary by fund type

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Total 2022 £
Support costs	42,396	42,396

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5. Analysis of expenditure by activities

	Support costs 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £
Support costs	42,396	42,396

Analysis of support costs

	Activities 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £
Staff costs	22,251	22,251
Events and networking	11,775	11,775
Legal expenses	6,007	6,007
Bank charges	45	45
Payroll processing costs	318	318
Independent examination	2,000	2,000
	<u>42,396</u>	<u>42,396</u>

6. Independent examiner's remuneration

	2022 £
Fees payable to the Company's independent examiner for the independent examination of the Company's annual accounts	2,000

7. Staff costs

	2022 £
Wages and salaries	20,000
Social security costs	2,251
	<u>22,251</u>

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7. Staff costs (continued)

The average number of persons employed by the Charity during the period was as follows:

	2022 No.
Employees	1

No employee received remuneration amounting to more than £60,000 in either year.

8. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

During the period, no Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits.

During the period ended 5 April 2022, no Trustee expenses have been incurred.

9. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2022 £
Trade creditors	144
Accruals and deferred income	2,000
	2,144

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10. Statement of funds

Statement of funds - current period

	Income £	Expenditure £	Balance at 5 April 2022 £
Unrestricted funds			
General Funds - all funds	<u>250,000</u>	<u>(42,396)</u>	<u>207,604</u>

11. Related parties

The charity received aggregate unconditional donations from trustees of £250,000.