

Charity Registration No. 1197205

THE ERNEST KLEINWORT CHARITABLE TRUST
ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025



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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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THE ERNEST KLEINWORT CHARITABLE TRUST

TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

The Trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the Trust's Settlement Deed dated 12 March 1963, 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 aim of the Trust is to provide resources for charitable activities. The Trust's objectives are to promote and support such purposes recognised by the law of England and Wales as charitable, as the Trustees shall from time to time select. It is, therefore, exclusively, a grant making Trust, with no direct operating activity of its own.

Public Benefit

The Trustees have ensured that all activities throughout the period have been in the interest of public benefit. The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when:

- reviewing the Trust's aims and objectives, and
- in planning future activities, and
- settling the grant making policy for the year.

Grant Making Policy

Support is principally given to charities operating to address the needs of people in the county of Sussex, and charities working in the fields of wildlife and environmental conservation (national and international). A small amount of funding is made available for reproductive health work (international) where there is a connection with conservation. The Trustees' current policy is still in accordance with the original wishes of the founders.

All applications must be made by registered charities or exempt organisations. All applicants must apply on-line via the Trust's website and provide a copy of their most recent financial statements. The Trustees aim to follow the Trust's guidelines carefully; funding will be considered for start-up costs for a new project within an established organisation, core costs or a specific project (capital expenditure or assistance with running costs). In some cases, the Trustees will consider providing unrestricted funding. Trustees will consider one application from an applicant within each 12 month period.

Applications are considered for Small, Medium and Large Grants. Applications for Small Grants (up to £10,000) must be approved by not less than two Trustees to whom power has been delegated by the full board of Trustees. Applications for Medium Grants (between £10,001 - £20,000) are considered quarterly, and approved by not less than two Trustees (one of whom must be a family Trustee) to whom power has been delegated by the full board of Trustees. The decisions to award Small and Medium Grants continue to be reviewed and ratified at full Trustee board meetings, held twice a year. Applications for Large Grants of £20,001 and above are considered by the full board of Trustees at the twice-yearly board meetings, with decisions taken by majority vote.

The Trustees keep themselves up to date with charity law, and during the year they received updates specific to their role from specialist advisors. Their involvement in the field of charitable activity supported by the Trust, as well as their experience of other charities, means that they bring an informed eye to their work.

The Trustees ensure that the Trust benefits from high-quality investment, financial and legal advice.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

Achievements and performance

The Trustees set the budget for grant giving by reference to a total return investment policy.

Total extraction from investment in the year was £2,426,365. Extraction levels are reviewed at least annually, unless there is a fall in the value of the portfolio of more than 10%, in which case the extraction levels would be reviewed sooner. During the year Trustees agreed to review the level of extraction for the following (2025 – 2026) financial year to ensure grant making was able to reflect recent inflationary changes.

In the 2024 - 2025 financial year the Trustees agreed a budget of £2,015,000 of grant giving and £194,858 in operational costs. During the period the Trustees made donations totalling - £2,027,205 (previous year £1,954,409).

Large donations, such as £110,000 to Tusk Trust, £100,000 to the Southern Hospice Group and £100,000 to the World Wide Fund for Nature are made because of a close and often long-standing relationship between the individual charities and one or more Trustees.

Year Ending	2025	2024
Number of applications received	394	340
Number of applications within guidelines	343	298
Number of applications supported	218 (55%)	204 (60%)

Fundraising Note

The Trust does not fundraise publicly, nevertheless it is mindful of the code issued by the Fundraising Regulator.

Investment Policy

Under the terms of the constitution, there are no restrictions on the Trust's power to invest. The overall investment policy of the Trust is to achieve a total return of UK CPI + 4% per annum, so allowing the target level of grant making while preserving the real value of the Trust's endowment.

The Trust does not have a relationship with any other charity or organisation which might inhibit it from pursuing its own charitable objectives.

The Trustees are satisfied with the financial position of the Trust and confirm that they have adequate assets available to fulfil their obligations. The Trustees review their policy guidelines on a regular basis.

It is the Trustees' policy to reserve a certain level of cash, partly to offset a possible fall in investment income, and partly to enable them to continue their policy of responding without delay to appeals for significant support where appropriate, the timing of which is unpredictable.

The Trustees agreed and signed an updated Investment Policy Statement dated November 2024 to reflect these changes.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

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Investment Performance

The financial statements show the investments at market value. The gain/(loss) on disposals of investments is based on their opening market value and resulted in a realised gain of £307,276 for the year ended 31 March 2025 (previous year loss: £143,808). At the year end the unrealised net gain amounted to £2,500,105 (previous year gain: £8,087,845). The total return of the investment portfolio during the year was 3%, after all management expenses (previous year: 11%).

Financial review

The accounts cover all the activities of the Trust and have been prepared on an accrual's basis. They are presented in a format that reflects the split of funds between income (unrestricted) and capital (expendable endowment). £524,530 was transferred from the capital account to the income account to reflect the drawdown of the endowment fund during the year. The accounts show a balance of unspent unrestricted funds of £2,888,214 compared with £3,170,119 in the previous year.

The Trust's income was derived from stock market investments and cash deposits, totalling £2,425,601. The Trust committed to charitable donations of £2,027,205 (previous year £1,954,409), so that, on an income basis there was a net operations surplus of £398,396 (previous year deficit of £681,669). Support costs totalled £135,363 (previous year £149,399). Investment Management fees totalled £425,823 (previous year £390,124). Net expenditure before investments and exchange gains and losses was £183,198 (previous year £1,221,192).

Reserves Policy & Review

Total reserves as at 31 March 2025 were £77,962,669 represented by unrestricted funds of £2,888,214 and expendable endowment funds of £75,074,455.

The Trustees consider that whereas an operational charity would need to consider the need to keep their services active for a period of time in the event of severe financial difficulty, the Trust is a grant making trust. As a minimum of 66% of the Trust's funds were held in investments accessible on short notice, they were satisfied that the Trust had sufficient liquidity and reserves to continue as a going concern for the foreseeable future.

Plans for the Future

The Trust is managed with a view to it being able to continue its activities for the future.

Structure, governance and management

The Trust is a grant making charitable trust governed by constitution dated 17 December 2021 (as amended 31 January 2024) and has been registered with the Charity Commission since 17 December 2021.

Prior to this, the activities of the Trust were conducted by the Ernest Kleinwort Charitable Trust (registered charity number 229665). The assets of this charity were transferred to the CIO on 1 April 2022, and the charity was removed from the Charity Commission Register of Charities in May 2022.

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

A Kleinwort
M Kleinwort
R Kleinwort Bt
B Mayhew OBE
E Limerick

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

C Grieves

(Appointed 16 May 2024)

M Tyndall (Chairman)

A Dickman

N Glover

(Appointed 8 October 2024)

Trustees are appointed under the terms of the constitution which was amended on 31 January 2024 to increase the maximum number of Trustees from eight to ten.

The Trust is managed by the Trustees, who are appointed under the terms of the constitution with daily administration being dealt with by the Director and Grants Officer. Many of the Trustees serve on the board of unrelated charities, and they bring to the Trust considerable knowledge of the charitable world in general, and the causes which the Trust supports in particular.

During the year, two new Trustees were appointed to the Board of Trustees:

Ceetah Grieves is the CEO of a grant making Trust, and lives in Sussex. She has previously worked as a commercial and media lawyer, for Allen & Overy, Warner Music and Channel Four Television. She is passionate about equality and access to education, and working to improve the environment we live in.

Nikki Glover is the Trustee of a family grant making Trust and has previously been on the board of another Sussex based grant making Trust. She has lived in Sussex for 35 years, and has a keen interest in local philanthropy.


The Trustees continued to discuss the structure of the board, future Trustee appointments and related governance matters.

The Trustees adopt relevant policies for the appropriate management of governance, financial and employment risks. These are reviewed on an annual basis. During the year a new policy on Use of Logo & Brand was adopted.

Key Management Personnel

The Trustees consider the board of Trustees comprise the key management personnel of the Trust in charge of directing and controlling, running and operating the Trust on a day to day basis. All Trustees give of their time freely. Details of staff expenses and related party transactions are disclosed in notes 8 and 21 to the accounts.

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



M Tyndall (Chairman)

Trustee

Dated: 8/10/25

THE ERNEST KLEINWORT CHARITABLE TRUST

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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 Trust and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the Trust 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 Trust 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 trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Trust and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

THE ERNEST KLEINWORT CHARITABLE TRUST

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE ERNEST KLEINWORT CHARITABLE TRUST

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of The Ernest Kleinwort Charitable Trust (the 'Trust') for the year ended 31 March 2025 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet, the statement of cash flows and notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland* (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 March 2025 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Trust in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- the Trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the Trustees have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the Trust's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The Trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE ERNEST KLEINWORT CHARITABLE TRUST

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 require us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the financial statements is inconsistent in any material respect with the Trustees' report; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of Trustees

As explained more fully in the statement of Trustees' responsibilities, the Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In preparing the financial statements, the Trustees are responsible for assessing the Trust's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Trustees either intend to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditor under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud, is detailed below.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE ERNEST KLEINWORT CHARITABLE TRUST

Extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud

The objectives of our audit, in respect to fraud, are: to identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements due to fraud; to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the assessed risks of material misstatement due to fraud, through designing and implementing appropriate responses; and to respond appropriately to fraud or suspected fraud identified during the audit. However, the primary responsibility for the prevention and detection of fraud rests with both those charged with governance of the entity and its management.

Our approach was as follows:

- We identified areas of laws and regulations that could reasonably be expected to have a material effect on the financial statements from our general commercial and sector experience, and through discussion with the directors and other management (as required by auditing standards), and discussed with the directors and other management the policies and procedures regarding compliance with laws and regulations;
- We considered the legal and regulatory frameworks directly applicable to the financial statements reporting framework (FRS 102 and the Companies Act 2006) and the relevant tax compliance regulations in the UK;
- We considered the nature of the industry, the control environment and business performance, including the key drivers for management's remuneration;
- We communicated identified laws and regulations throughout our team and remained alert to any indications of non-compliance throughout the audit;
- We considered the procedures and controls that the company has established to address risks identified, or that otherwise prevent, deter and detect fraud; and how senior management monitors those programmes and controls.

Based on this understanding we designed our audit procedures to identify non-compliance with such laws and regulations. Where the risk was considered to be higher, we performed audit procedures to address each identified fraud risk. These procedures included: testing manual journals; reviewing the financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation; performing analytical procedures; and enquiring of management, and were designed to provide reasonable assurance that the financial statements were free from fraud or error.

Owing to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that we may not have detected some material misstatements in the financial statements, even though we have properly planned and performed our audit in accordance with auditing standards. For example, the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations (irregularities) is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely the inherently limited procedures required by auditing standards would identify it. The risk is also greater regarding irregularities occurring due to fraud rather than error, as fraud involves intentional concealment, forgery, collusion, omission or misrepresentation. We are not responsible for preventing non-compliance and cannot be expected to detect non-compliance with all laws and regulations.

A further description of our responsibilities is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: <https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE ERNEST KLEINWORT CHARITABLE TRUST

Other matters

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared financial statements 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)" (as amended) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has now been withdrawn.

This has been done in order for the financial statements to provide a true and fair view in accordance with current Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

Use of our report

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. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's Trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

TC Group

David Martin FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)
for and on behalf of TC Group

Statutory Auditor

Office: Lewes

Date: 16 October 2025

TC Group is eligible for appointment as auditor of the Trust by virtue of its eligibility for appointment as auditor of a company under of section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Endowment funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Endowment funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
Income from:							
Investments	2	2,425,601	-	2,425,601	1,272,740	-	1,272,740
Total income		<u>2,425,601</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,425,601</u>	<u>1,272,740</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,272,740</u>
Expenditure on:							
Raising funds	3	-	425,823	425,823	-	390,124	390,124
Charitable activities	4	2,182,976	-	2,182,976	2,103,808	-	2,103,808
Total expenditure		<u>2,182,976</u>	<u>425,823</u>	<u>2,608,799</u>	<u>2,103,808</u>	<u>390,124</u>	<u>2,493,932</u>
Net gains/(losses) on investments	9	-	2,807,381	2,807,381	-	7,944,037	7,944,037
Net income		242,625	2,381,558	2,624,183	(831,068)	7,553,913	6,722,845
Transfers between funds		(524,530)	524,530	-	1,261,534	(1,261,534)	-
Other recognised gains and losses:							
Other losses	11	-	(2,228,430)	(2,228,430)	-	(157,307)	(157,307)
Net movement in funds		<u>(281,905)</u>	<u>677,658</u>	<u>395,753</u>	<u>430,466</u>	<u>6,135,072</u>	<u>6,565,538</u>
Reconciliation of funds:							
Fund balances at 1 April 2024		<u>3,170,119</u>	<u>74,396,797</u>	<u>77,566,916</u>	<u>2,739,653</u>	<u>68,261,725</u>	<u>71,001,378</u>
Fund balances at 31 March 2025		<u>2,888,214</u>	<u>75,074,455</u>	<u>77,962,669</u>	<u>3,170,119</u>	<u>74,396,797</u>	<u>77,566,916</u>

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

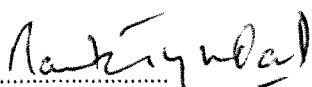
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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

		2025		2024	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Investments	12		75,074,455		76,050,788
Current assets					
Debtors	13	83,140		86,997	
Cash at bank and in hand		2,826,418		1,472,042	
		2,909,558		1,559,039	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	14				
		(21,344)		(42,911)	
Net current assets			2,888,214		1,516,128
Total assets less current liabilities			77,962,669		77,566,916
The funds of the Trust					
Endowment funds	15		75,074,455		74,396,797
Unrestricted funds	16		2,888,214		3,170,119
			77,962,669		77,566,916

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 8th October 2025.



M Tyndall (Chairman)

Trustee

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

		2025	2024
	Notes	£	£
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash absorbed by operations	19	(4,854,939)	(2,672,500)
Investing activities			
Purchase of investments		(7,346,394)	(13,992,765)
Proceeds from disposal of investments		9,124,348	15,300,314
Investment income received		2,425,601	1,272,740
Net cash generated from investing activities		4,203,555	2,580,289
Net cash used in financing activities		-	-
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents		(651,384)	(92,211)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		5,163,661	5,255,872
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year		4,512,277	5,163,661
Relating to:			
Cash at bank and in hand		2,826,418	1,472,042
Short term deposits included in current asset investments		1,685,859	3,691,619

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

The Ernest Kleinwort Charitable Trust was a registered charity governed by a constitution dated 17 December 2021 (as amended 31 January 2024). The charity registered as a CIO on 17 December 2021 with funds being transferred from the original Trust on 25 May 2022, at which time the original Trust was removed from the Register.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Trust's governing document, the Charities Act 2011, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") and the Charities SORP "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (effective 1 January 2019). The Trust is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statements have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure has involved following the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102 rather than the version of the Statement of Recommended Practice which is referred to in the Regulations but which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the Trust. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

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

1.2 Going concern

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

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Endowment funds are subject to specific conditions by donors that the capital must be maintained by the Trust.

1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the Trust is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the bank. Dividends are recognised once the dividend has been declared and notification has been received of the dividend due. This is normally upon notification by our investment managers of the dividend yield of the investment portfolios.

Income tax recoverable in relation to investment income is recognised at the time investment income is receivable.

1.5 Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been included under expense categories that aggregate all costs for allocation to activities. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular activities they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of the resources.

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.

1.6 Fixed asset investments

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

1.7 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts.

1.8 Financial instruments

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

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

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

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1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

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

1.9 Employee benefits

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

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

1.10 Foreign exchange

Transactions in currencies other than pounds sterling are recorded at the rates of exchange prevailing at the dates of the transactions. At each reporting end date, monetary assets and liabilities that are denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing on the reporting end date. Gains and losses arising on translation in the period are included in profit or loss.

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2 Income from investments

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Income from UK listed securities	2,425,601	1,272,733
Interest receivable	-	7
	<u>2,425,601</u>	<u>1,272,740</u>

3 Expenditure on raising funds

	Endowment funds 2025 £	Endowment funds 2024 £
Investment management	425,823	390,124
	<u>425,823</u>	<u>390,124</u>

4 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Charitable expenditure 2025 £	Charitable expenditure 2024 £
Direct costs		
Grant funding of activities (see note 5)	2,027,205	1,954,409
Share of support and governance costs (see note 6)		
Support	135,363	133,197
Governance	20,408	16,202
	<u>2,182,976</u>	<u>2,103,808</u>
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	<u>2,182,976</u>	<u>2,103,808</u>

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5 Grants payable

	Charitable expenditure 2025 £	Charitable expenditure 2024 £
Grants to institutions	2,027,205	1,954,409
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

6 Support costs allocated to activities

	Charitable expenditure 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Staff costs	122,423	117,741
Advertising costs	256	247
Payroll costs	590	496
IT and Utilities	7,034	6,675
Other support costs	5,060	8,038
Governance	20,408	16,202
	<u>155,771</u>	<u>149,399</u>

	2025 £	2024 £
Governance costs comprise:		
Audit fees	14,320	7,398
Legal and professional	5,426	4,619
Bank fees	228	488
ACF Membership	-	3,281
Trustee indemnity insurance	434	416
	<u>20,408</u>	<u>16,202</u>

7 Trustees

None of the Trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration during the year, but two Trustees were reimbursed a total of £232 travelling expenses (2024 - 1 Trustee reimbursed £412 travelling expenses).

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8 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2025	2024
	Number	Number
Finance and administration	2	2

Employment costs	2025	2024
	£	£
Wages and salaries	107,046	103,727
Social security costs	7,262	6,804
Other pension costs	8,115	7,210
	<u>122,423</u>	<u>117,741</u>

The number of employees whose annual remuneration was more than £60,000 is as follows:

	2025	2024
	Number	Number
In the band £80,001 - £90,000	1	1

Remuneration of key management personnel

The remuneration of key management personnel was as follows:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Aggregate compensation	<u>107,359</u>	<u>98,612</u>

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9 Gains and losses on investments

	Endowment funds 2025 £	Endowment funds 2024 £
Gains/(losses) arising on:		
Revaluation of investments	2,500,105	8,087,845
Sale of investments	307,276	(143,808)
	<u>2,807,381</u>	<u>7,944,037</u>

10 Taxation

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

11 Other gains and losses

	Endowment funds 2025 £	Endowment funds 2024 £
Gains/(losses) upon:		
Foreign exchange	<u>2,228,430</u>	<u>157,307</u>

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12 Fixed asset investments

	Listed investments £	Cash in portfolio £	Total £
Cost or valuation			
At 1 April 2024	72,359,168	3,691,620	76,050,788
Additions	7,346,394	-	7,346,394
Valuation changes	2,807,382	-	2,807,382
Transfer to cash	-	(2,005,761)	(2,005,761)
Disposals	(9,124,348)	-	(9,124,348)
At 31 March 2025	73,388,596	1,685,859	75,074,455
Carrying amount			
At 31 March 2025	73,388,596	1,685,859	75,074,455
At 31 March 2024	72,359,168	3,691,620	76,050,788

13 Debtors

	2025 £	2024 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Prepayments and accrued income	83,140	86,997

14 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025 £	2024 £
Other taxation and social security	55	55
Trade creditors	150	23,805
Other creditors	8,237	9,251
Accruals and deferred income	12,902	9,800
	21,344	42,911

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15 Endowment funds

Endowment funds represent assets which must be held permanently by the Trust. Income arising on the endowment funds can be used in accordance with the objects of the Trust and is included as unrestricted income. Any capital gains or losses arising on the assets form part of the fund.

	At 1 April 2024	Resources expended	Transfers	Gains and losses	At 31 March 2025
	£	£	£	£	£
Permanent endowments					
	74,396,797	(425,823)	524,530	578,951	75,074,455
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Previous year:	At 1 April 2023	Resources expended	Transfers	Gains and losses	At 31 March 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
Permanent endowments					
	68,261,725	(390,124)	(1,261,534)	7,786,730	74,396,797
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

16 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.

	At 1 April 2024	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	At 31 March 2025
	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	3,170,119	2,425,601	(2,182,976)	(524,530)	2,888,214
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Previous year:	At 1 April 2023	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	At 31 March 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	2,739,653	1,272,740	(2,103,808)	1,261,534	3,170,119
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

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17 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Endowment funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £
At 31 March 2025:			
Investments	-	75,074,455	75,074,455
Current assets/(liabilities)	2,888,214	-	2,888,214
	<u>2,888,214</u>	<u>75,074,455</u>	<u>77,962,669</u>
	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Endowment funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
At 31 March 2024:			
Investments	-	76,050,788	76,050,788
Current assets/(liabilities)	3,170,119	(1,653,991)	1,516,128
	<u>3,170,119</u>	<u>74,396,797</u>	<u>77,566,916</u>

18 Related party transactions

Two of the Trustees are also Ambassadors of the Tusk Trust to whom donations totalling £111,500 (2024: £100,000) were made during the financial year. The Trustees were not involved in the decision to make those donations.

One of the Trustees is an Ambassador of WWF UK to whom donations totalling £102,900 (2024: £100,000) were made during the financial year. The Trustee was not involved in the decision to make those donations.

Three of the Trustees have a family relationship with a Trustee of The River Trust to whom a donation of £70,000 (2024: £70,000) was made during the financial year. The Trustees were not involved in the decision to make the donation.

One of the Trustees is a Trustee of, and another is joint CEO of, Lion Landscapes to whom a donation of £5,000 (2024: £20,000) was made during the financial year. The Trustees were not involved in the decision to make those donations.

One of the Trustees has an interest in London Youth to whom donations totalling £34,230 (2024: £nil) were made during the financial year. The Trustee was not involved in the decision to make those donations.

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19	Cash generated from operations	2025	2024
		£	£
	Surplus for the year	2,624,183	6,722,845
	Adjustments for:		
	Investment income recognised in statement of financial activities	(2,425,601)	(1,272,740)
	Foreign exchange differences	(2,228,430)	(157,307)
	(Gain)/loss on disposal of investments	(307,276)	143,808
	Fair value gains and losses on investments	(2,500,105)	(8,087,845)
	Movements in working capital:		
	Decrease/(increase) in debtors	3,857	(14,441)
	(Decrease) in creditors	(21,567)	(6,820)
	Cash absorbed by operations	(4,854,939)	(2,672,500)

20 Analysis of changes in net funds

The Trust had no material debt during the year.

