

THOMAS STANLEY SHIPMAN CHARITABLE TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 200789

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Trust

Registered 1961-11-08

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: TO PAY OR APPLY THE INCOME FOR SUCH CHARITABLE OBJECTS, PURPOSES OR INSTITUTIONS AS THE TRUSTEES IN THEIR DISCRETION THINK FIT. THE INCOME MAY BE USED FOR THE PURPOSE OF RELIEVING POVERTY BY GRANT OF PENSIONS AND OTHERWISE; TO BENEFIT ALSO EMPLOYEES OR EX-EMPLOYEES OF THE COMPANY.

Activities: ASSISTANCE FOR THE RELIEF OF POVERTY AND GENERAL CHARITABLE PURPOSES FOR THE BENEFIT OF RESIDENTS OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF LEICESTER

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** NATIONAL
- Leicester City
- Leicestershire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-05-31	£65,065	£88,780	-	-
2024-05-31	£54,671	£46,669	-	-
2023-05-31	£54,569	£87,443	-	-
2022-05-31	£63,343	£68,565	-	-
2021-05-31	£47,963	£68,518	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
HUGH COLIN STEVENSON	Chair	
MARK THOMAS NEWBY		
PETER DOLEMAN		2014-01-10
Paul Brian Douglas Murray		2019-11-25

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Accounts

**THE THOMAS STANLEY SHIPMAN CHARITABLE TRUST
STONE HOUSE
LONDON ROAD
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**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 MAY 2025**

**SOMERBYS LIMITED
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS
30 NELSON STREET
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THE THOMAS STANLEY SHIPMAN CHARITABLE TRUST

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REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 200789

Trustees

Mr H C Stevenson (Chairman)
Mr P Doleman
Mr P B D Murray
Mr M T Newby

Secretary to the Trustees

Mrs H Castle

Bankers

CAF Bank
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Redmayne Bentley LLP
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Auditor

Somerbys Limited
Chartered Accountants
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**ANNUAL REPORT
YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2025**

The Trustees have pleasure in presenting their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 May 2025.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 on pages 12 and 13 and comply with the Trust's governing document, applicable law and the requirements of FRS 102, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities", the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102.

Structure, Governance and Management**Governing Document**

The organisation is a registered charity, which was established on 31 August 1961 under a Deed of Trust.

Recruitment and Appointment of the Trustees

Under the requirements of the Deed, the Trust shall have not less than three and not more than five Trustees.

The Trustees should be persons who through residence, occupation or employment or otherwise have special knowledge of the City and County of Leicester and of the wishes of the Settlor. They are selected for an indefinite period of service by resolution of the Trustees.

Trustees' Induction and Training

Trustees are made aware of their responsibilities at the time of appointment and kept abreast of changes in charity law and any matters affecting the governance and assets of the Trust.

Trustees' Responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and 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 & Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the income and expenditure of the charity for that period.

In preparing these financial statements the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP 2019 (FRS 102);
- 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;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

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The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the Trust Deed. 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.

Organisational Structure

The day-to-day activities of the Trust have been delegated to the Secretary to the Trustees, who also attends the meetings of the Trustees, although they have no voting rights.

Two meetings of the Trustees have taken place during the year.

The names of the Trustees who held office during the year under review and up to the date of this report are set out on page 1.

There has been no change to the Board of Trustees since last year's report.

Steps are still in hand to recruit a further Trustee at the earliest possible opportunity.

Objectives and Activities

The principal aim of the Trust is to distribute the income for such charitable purposes as the Trustees may in their absolute discretion from time to time think fit.

The objectives and activities have remained unchanged during the year.

The Trustees consider that the Trust has met its objectives during the year.

Investment Policy

The Trust continues to invest in stocks and share on the advice of their stockbrokers. The returns during the year are considered to be satisfactory in the face of the lingering effects of the COVID pandemic, stagnant growth in much of the world not being helped by wars in Ukraine and the Middle East. The trustees believe that as the portfolio is made up of high quality investments the portfolio in the longer term will continue to provide capital growth and a rising income.

The Trustees intend that the real value of the assets be maintained and enhanced over the long term. A balanced approach between income and capital has, therefore, been adopted. They wish to maintain the capital value of the investment funds at least in line with inflation, whilst providing adequate income to meet the Trust's charitable objectives. The Stockbrokers are, therefore, requested to invest in a diversified portfolio, comprising equities, fixed interest stocks and cash. The Trustees adopt a moderate risk investment strategy and do not commit to any underwriting or similar obligations.

The Trustees also do not wish any one investment to represent more than a reasonable percentage of the overall value of the investment funds. At the year-end only four investments had a value greater than 5% of the total, the two largest representing around 8.7% and 7.3% respectively of the portfolio (note 7), a position which is regularly reviewed, together with the remainder of the contents of the portfolios, in conjunction with the Stockbroker and action taken where appropriate.

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Reserves Policy

It is the policy of the Trustees to maintain unrestricted funds, which include the free reserves of the Trust, at a level, which, in the event of a significant fall in income, would provide sufficient funds to meet the on-going operating expenditure. At the present time the free reserves are considerably in excess of such expenditure; the Trustees are, however, mindful of their responsibilities and regularly review the manner in which the available funds may be applied in furtherance of the charitable objectives of the Trust.

Grant Making Policy

The Trust receives applications for grants, which are considered by the Trustees at their meetings, having regard to the provisions of the Trust Deed. It is the primary aim of the Trustees to provide assistance for the relief of poverty and general charitable purposes for the benefit of residents of the City and County of Leicester.

Grants

Donations during the year to charitable organisations totalled £69,750 compared with £26,500 in the previous year.

The Trustees are encouraged by the level of requests for grants and the charities web site continues to draw applications which is helping the Trustees to distribute accumulated income.

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 the planning of future activities.

Financial Review

The statement of financial activities on page 10 shows net expenditure for the year, before other recognised gains and losses, of £23,715 compared with net income of £8,002 for the previous year. Total income increased marginally from £54,671 to £65,065, given the prevailing climate this is considered to be more than reasonable. Total expenditure increased overall, increasing from £46,669 to £88,780, increase in charitable distributions of £43,250 being partly offset by a small decrease in administration costs of £1,475.

There was an increase during the year on the capital fund of £16,048 comprising net realised loss of £24,609 on the sale of investments and net unrealised gains of £38,698 arising on the revaluation of investments at balance sheet date, compared with net realised gains of £691 and net unrealised gains of £32,363 in 2024. At the end of the year the capital fund stood at £859,795 represented by listed investments at market value of £844,382 and un-invested cash being £15,413. Unrestricted income funds, meanwhile, were £561,541 comprising listed investments at market value of £487,673 and net current assets of £73,868. Other recognised gains and losses in unrestricted income funds during the year comprised of net unrealised gains of £37,872 arising on the revaluation of investments and realised losses of £1,202 on disposal of investments, compared with net realised gains of £nil and net unrealised gains of £16,987 in 2024.

The Trustees continue to monitor unrestricted funds and constantly review the manner in which these will be used. In the opinion of the Trustees, the Trust will have adequate cash resources available to finance its operations and to meet its obligations throughout the whole of the current financial year

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Investments

As permitted by the Trust Deed, monies can be invested in the purchase of stocks, shares, funds, securities or other investments at the absolute discretion of the Trustees, who have given the investment managers discretion to manage the portfolio within an agreed risk profile. As in the past, the investments have been reviewed in conjunction with the Stockbrokers on a regular basis.

At the end of the financial year the market value of the investment portfolio was £1,332,055 excluding any un-invested cash, compared with £1,331,714 a year earlier. As previously mentioned, there were net losses on the sale of investments of £25,811 and a net unrealised revaluation increase of £76,570 compared with net realised gains of £691 and a net unrealised revaluation gain of £49,350 in 2024.

The trustees were satisfied with the progress and strength of the portfolio during the year under review and remain optimistic for the future growth of the securities which make up the Charity's portfolio. The Trustees remain confident that the portfolio can stand market volatility and that the Trustees have adequate resources to cover market volatility and enable reasonable grants to be made.

Risk Management

The Trustees continue to assess the major risks to which the Trust is exposed and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to these risks.

Future Plans

The Trustees intend to continue with current distribution policies in line with the provisions of the Trust Deed, their obligations for public benefit and charity law.

They do not anticipate any changes in their investment or reserves policies or in their activities and objectives.

Members of the Trust

Members of the Trust, who are the Trustees for the purposes of charity law, who served during the year and up to the date of this report are set out on page 1.

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Advisers

The Trustees wish to record their thanks to all of our professional advisers, who are listed on page 1, for their help and advice throughout the year.

These financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 24 March 2026 and signed on their behalf by:

Hugh Stevenson

Hugh Stevenson (Mar 24, 2026 14:03:59 GMT)

H C Stevenson
Chairman
24 March 2026

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES
YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2025**

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of The Thomas Stanley Shipman Charitable Trust (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 May 2025 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet 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 May 2025, and of its incoming resources and application of resources including its income and expenditure, 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 charity 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

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustee's use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the trustees' annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES (continued)
YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2025

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.

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 trustee's report 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 trustees' responsibilities statement set out on page 2, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of 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 charity'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 liquidate the charity or 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 145 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.

The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud, is detailed below.

The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from error is considered to be low. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES (continued)
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In the context of The Thomas Stanley Shipman Charitable Trust, we have not identified any specific laws and regulations other than general commercial laws and regulations such as: Charities Act 2011; Charity Commission guidance; FATCA; and GDPR.


In response to the audit risks identified, we have undertaken the following procedures:

- Enquiry of trustees to identify any instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations.
- Enquiry of trustees of actual and/or potential litigation and claims.
- Enquiry of trustees to identify any subsequent events that have occurred after the year end relating to this financial period.
- Reviewing legal expenses during and after the year end for evidence of non-compliance with laws and regulations.
- Reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations.
- Auditing the risk of management override of controls, including through testing journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness, and evaluation of the rationale of any significant transactions falling outside the normal course of activities.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditors/audit-assurance-ethics/auditors-responsibilities-for-the-audit. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

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.



SOMERBYS LIMITED
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditor

24 March 2026

30 Nelson Street
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2025

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2025</u>		<u>2024</u>	
		<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Endowment</u>	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Endowment</u>
		<u>Income</u>	<u>Capital</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Capital</u>
Income from:					
Investments		57,101	1,959	53,220	-
Interest received		1,005	-	1,451	-
Voluntary income	2	5,000	-	-	-
Total income		<u>63,106</u>	<u>1,959</u>	<u>54,671</u>	<u>-</u>
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	3	6,647	-	6,431	-
Charitable activities:					
Grants	4	69,750	-	26,500	-
Management and administration of the charity	5	8,303	-	9,778	-
Governance	6	4,080	-	3,960	-
Total expenditure		<u>88,780</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>46,669</u>	<u>-</u>
Net income/(expenditure) for the year		<u>(25,674)</u>	<u>1,959</u>	<u>8,002</u>	<u>-</u>
Other recognised gains and losses					
Gains / (losses) on investments:					
Realised		(1,202)	(24,609)	-	691
Unrealised		37,872	38,698	16,987	32,363
Net movement in funds		<u>10,996</u>	<u>16,048</u>	<u>24,989</u>	<u>33,054</u>
Balance brought forward at 1 June 2024		<u>£550,545</u>	<u>£843,747</u>	<u>£525,556</u>	<u>£810,693</u>
Balance carried forward at 31 May 2025		<u><u>£561,541</u></u>	<u><u>£859,795</u></u>	<u><u>£550,545</u></u>	<u><u>£843,747</u></u>

The above funds are all unrestricted.

**BALANCE SHEET
AT 31 MAY 2025**

	<u>Note</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Capital</u>	<u>Total 2025</u>	<u>Total 2024</u>
Fixed assets					
Listed investments	7	487,673	844,382	1,332,055	1,331,714
Current assets					
Cash at bank and on deposit	8	76,368	15,413	91,781	65,078
Current liabilities					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	(2,500)	-	(2,500)	(2,500)
Net current assets		73,868	15,413	89,282	62,578
		<u>£561,541</u>	<u>£859,795</u>	<u>£1,421,336</u>	<u>£1,394,292</u>
Income account	10	561,541	-	561,541	550,545
Capital account		-	859,795	859,795	843,747
		<u>£561,541</u>	<u>£859,795</u>	<u>£1,421,336</u>	<u>£1,394,292</u>

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 24 March 2026 and signed on its behalf by:

Hugh Stevenson

Hugh Stevenson (Mar 24, 2026 14:03:59 GMT)

H C Stevenson
Chairman
24 March 2026

The notes on pages 12 to 17 form part of these financial statements

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2025**

1. Accounting policies

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

The Trust has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

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

The Financial Statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value; they are presented in Sterling, the functional currency of the Trust, monetary amounts being rounded to the nearest £.

The principal accounting policies adopted, which have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated, are set out below. There have been no changes to accounting estimates during the reporting period.

1.1 Grants

Grants payable are included on an accruals basis in respect of when they are due to be paid.

1.2 Investment income

Income from investments and interest on deposits are included in the accounts when credited or due to be received.

1.3 Voluntary income

Voluntary income is accounted for on a receipts basis.

1.4 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred.

Expenditure includes VAT which cannot be recovered by the Trust and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.

Raising funds comprises the costs of generating investment income.

Management and administration of the charity includes the costs incurred by the Trust in the delivery of its activities for its beneficiaries.

Governance relates to the costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory obligations of the Trust.

All costs are allocated between the various classes of expenditure in the Statement of Financial Activities on an actual basis.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)
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1.5 Investments

Investments are stated at market value at the balance sheet date. Any gains or losses on revaluation are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities. Current assets includes cash deposits and cash equivalents with a maturity of less than one year.

1.6 Debtors and creditors receivable / payable within one year

Debtors and creditors with no stated interest rate and receivable or payable within one year are recorded at transaction price. Any losses arising from impairment are recognised in expenditure.

1.7 Income funds

Income funds represent the unrestricted income and expenditure of the Trust.

1.8 Designated funds

Amounts that the Trustees have identified to be paid at a future date are set aside into designated funds. These are not disclosed separately in the accounts but form part of the unrestricted funds.

1.9 Endowment funds

Endowment funds represent those assets which are held on a long-term basis by the Trust, primarily investments. Income arising on the endowment funds can be used in accordance with the objectives of the Trust and included as unrestricted income.

1.10 Financial instruments

The Trust has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 “Basic Financial Instruments” and Section 12 “Other Financial Instrument 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.

1.11 Taxation

The Trust is a registered charity and is thus exempt from taxation on its income and capital gains.

2. Voluntary income

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Donations	£5,000	-

3. Expenditure on raising funds

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Portfolio management fees	£6,647	£6,431

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4. Grants

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Donations (see analysis)	59,250	26,500
Grants to individuals administered by Leicester Charity Link	10,500	-
	<u>£69,750</u>	<u>£26,500</u>

4. Grants - (continued)
Donations

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Dogs for Autism	25,000	-
Forward Thinking Movement	5,000	-
Rainbows Hospice for Children & Young People	2,500	2,500
John Heggs Bates Charity For Convalescents	2,000	2,000
Leicestershire, Leicester and Rutland Headway	2,000	-
Asthma UK	2,000	-
Age UK	2,000	-
Guide Dogs for the Blind Association	2,000	-
Air Ambulance	1,500	-
Attenborough Arts Centre - University of Leicester	1,500	-
Bodie Hodges Foundation	1,000	1,000
Leicester Children's Hopes	1,000	1,000
Vista	1,000	-
British Rowing Charity	1,000	-
Children's Cancer and Leukaemia	1,000	-
Spinal Injuries Society	1,000	-
British Wireless for Blind	750	-
PDSA	500	750
Family Holiday Charity	500	500
School Readers	500	500
Bereavement Support Appeals	500	-
Canine Partners	500	-
Elizabeth Heyrick Society	500	-
Go Beyond Charity	500	-
Greenhouse Sports	500	-
Independent Age Fundraising	500	-
Leicester LGBT Centre	500	-
Newlife	500	-
Royal Voluntary Service	500	-
Sunny Skies Enterprise	500	-
Wesley Hall Community	500	-

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4. Grants - (continued)		
Hope Against Cancer	-	2,500
Sense Hub Loughborough	-	2,500
Ratby Co-Operative Band	-	2,000
Bradgate Park Trust	-	1,000
Leicestershire REMAP	-	1,000
Love 4 Life	-	1,000
On Course Foundation	-	1,000
RNIB	-	1,000
Samaritans of Leicester	-	1,000
Carers UK	-	750
Caudwell Children	-	750
Gaulby Group PCC	-	750
Hourglass	-	750
Rutland Ospreys Future Fund	-	750
RABI	-	500
Toys On The Table	-	500
Willow	-	500
	£59,250	£26,500

It is the policy of the Trustees not to disclose details of grants to individuals.

5. Management and administration of the charity		
	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Distribution and administration expenses	8,000	8,000
Office expenses	243	1,778
Bank charges	60	-
	£8,303	£9,778

All of the above support costs have been allocated to charitable activities.

6. Governance		
	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Audit fee	1,836	1,800
Accounts fee	2,244	2,160
	£4,080	£3,960

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7. Fixed assets

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Capital</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>2025</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>2024</u>
Listed investments				
Market value at 1 June 2024	465,731	865,983	1,331,714	1,258,979
Additions	9,656	12,349	22,005	31,275
Disposal proceeds	(24,384)	(48,039)	(72,423)	(8,581)
Net realised gains / (losses)	(1,202)	(24,609)	(25,811)	691
Net unrealised gains / (losses)	37,872	38,698	76,570	49,350
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Market value as at 31 May 2025	£487,673	£844,382	£1,332,055	£1,331,714
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Historical cost as at 31 May 2025	£300,951	£694,338	£995,289	£1,068,857
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The Trustees consider that there were four material holdings at the year-end:

	Market Value
Law Debenture Corporation plc - 5p ordinary	£120,250
J P Morgan Funds Limited - US Equity Income C2	£101,173
Blackrock Fund Managers Limited – Continental European Income D	£89,952
AstraZeneca plc - US\$0.25 ordinary	£85,760
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8. Cash at bank and on deposit

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Capital</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>2025</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>2024</u>
Redmayne Bentley	44,983	13,252	58,235	10,917
HSBC current account	-	-	-	33,260
HSBC deposit account	-	-	-	329
CAF	31,385	2,161	33,546	3,750
Market Harborough Building Society	-	-	-	16,822
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	£76,368	£15,413	£91,781	£65,078
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)
YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2025

9. Creditors

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
Accrued expenses	£2,500	£2,500
	<u>£2,500</u>	<u>£2,500</u>

10. Trustees remuneration

No Trustee was paid any remuneration during the year. Trustee expenses reimbursed totalled £243 (2024 - £nil) during the year.

11. Related party transactions

Mr P B D Murray, a Trustee of this charity, manages the Market Harborough office of Redmayne Bentley LLP, the stockbroker for the Charity.

During the year portfolio management fees of £6,647 (2024 £6,431) were charged by Redmayne Bentley LLP to the Trust.

Mr P B D Murray is a Trustee of The Thomas Stanley Shipman Charitable Trust. During the year, the Trust provided a grant of £2,000 (2024 £2,000) to John Heggs Bates Charity For Convalescents, a charity in which Mr P B D Murray is a current Trustee.

Mr Murray declared his interests and took no part in the decision to make the awards.

THOMAS STANLEY SHIPMAN CHARITABLE TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 200789

Accounts

THE THOMAS STANLEY SHIPMAN CHARITABLE TRUST
THE DOWER HOUSE
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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 MAY 2024

SOMERBYS LIMITED
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS
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THE THOMAS STANLEY SHIPMAN CHARITABLE TRUST

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REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 200789

Trustees

Mr H C Stevenson (Chairman)
Mr P Doleman
Mr P B D Murray
Mr M T Newby

Secretary to the Trustees

Mrs H Castle

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**ANNUAL REPORT
YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2024**

The Trustees have pleasure in presenting their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 May 2024.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 on pages 12 and 13 and comply with the Trust's governing document, applicable law and the requirements of FRS 102, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities", the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102.

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

The organisation is a registered charity, which was established on 31 August 1961 under a Deed of Trust.

Recruitment and Appointment of the Trustees

Under the requirements of the Deed, the Trust shall have not less than three and not more than five Trustees.

The Trustees should be persons who through residence, occupation or employment or otherwise have special knowledge of the City and County of Leicester and of the wishes of the Settlor. They are selected for an indefinite period of service by resolution of the Trustees.

Trustees' Induction and Training

Trustees are made aware of their responsibilities at the time of appointment and kept abreast of changes in charity law and any matters affecting the governance and assets of the Trust.

Trustees' Responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and 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 & Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the income and expenditure of the charity for that period.

In preparing these financial statements the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP 2019 (FRS 102);
- 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;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

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The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the Trust Deed. 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.

Organisational Structure

The day-to-day activities of the Trust have been delegated to the Secretary to the Trustees, who also attends the meetings of the Trustees, although they have no voting rights.

Two meetings of the Trustees have taken place during the year.

The names of the Trustees who held office during the year under review and up to the date of this report are set out on page 1.

There has been no change to the Board of Trustees since last year's report.

Steps are still in hand to recruit a further Trustee at the earliest possible opportunity.

Objectives and Activities

The principal aim of the Trust is to distribute the income for such charitable purposes as the Trustees may in their absolute discretion from time to time think fit.

The objectives and activities have remained unchanged during the year.

The Trustees consider that the Trust has met its objectives during the year.

Investment Policy

The Trust continues to invest in stocks and share on the advice of their stockbrokers. The returns during the year are considered to be satisfactory in the face of the lingering effects of the COVID pandemic, stagnant growth in much of the world not being helped by wars in Ukraine and the Middle East. The trustees believe that as the portfolio is made up of high quality investments the portfolio in the longer term will continue to provide capital growth and a rising income.

The Trustees intend that the real value of the assets be maintained and enhanced over the long term. A balanced approach between income and capital has, therefore, been adopted. They wish to maintain the capital value of the investment funds at least in line with inflation, whilst providing adequate income to meet the Trust's charitable objectives. The Stockbrokers are, therefore, requested to invest in a diversified portfolio, comprising equities, fixed interest stocks and cash. The Trustees adopt a moderate risk investment strategy and do not commit to any underwriting or similar obligations.

The Trustees also do not wish any one investment to represent more than a reasonable percentage of the overall value of the investment funds. At the year-end only four investments had a value greater than 5% of the total, the two largest representing around 9.8% and 7.4% respectively of the portfolio (note 6), a position which is regularly reviewed, together with the remainder of the contents of the portfolios, in conjunction with the Stockbroker and action taken where appropriate.

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YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2024**

Reserves Policy

It is the policy of the Trustees to maintain unrestricted funds, which include the free reserves of the Trust, at a level, which, in the event of a significant fall in income, would provide sufficient funds to meet the on-going operating expenditure. At the present time the free reserves are considerably in excess of such expenditure; the Trustees are, however, mindful of their responsibilities and regularly review the manner in which the available funds may be applied in furtherance of the charitable objectives of the Trust.

Grant Making Policy

The Trust receives applications for grants, which are considered by the Trustees at their meetings, having regard to the provisions of the Trust Deed. It is the primary aim of the Trustees to provide assistance for the relief of poverty and general charitable purposes for the benefit of residents of the City and County of Leicester.

Grants

Donations during the year to charitable organisations totalled £26,500 compared with £48,810 in the previous year.

The Trustees are encouraged by the level of requests for grants and the charities web site continues to draw applications which is helping the Trustees to distribute accumulated income.

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 the planning of future activities.

Financial Review

The statement of financial activities on page 10 shows net income for the year, before other recognised gains and losses, of £8,002 compared with net expenditure of £32,874 for the previous year. Total income increased marginally from £54,569 to £54,671, given the prevailing climate this is considered to be more than reasonable. Total expenditure decreased overall, decreasing from £87,443 to £46,669, decreases in charitable distributions of £43,427 being partly offset by a small increase in administration and governance costs of £942 and £1,460 respectively.

There was an increase during the year on the capital fund of £33,054 comprising net realised gains of £691 on the sale of investments and net unrealised gains of £32,363 arising on the revaluation of investments at balance sheet date, compared with net realised gains of £4,507 and net unrealised losses of £76,670 in 2022/23. At the end of the year the capital fund stood at £843,747 represented by listed investments at market value of £865,983 and un-invested cash being overdrawn by £22,236. Unrestricted income funds, meanwhile, were £550,545 comprising listed investments at market value of £465,731 and net current assets of £84,814. Other recognised gains and losses in unrestricted income funds during the year comprised of net unrealised gains of £16,987 arising on the revaluation of investments, compared with net realised gains of £448 and net unrealised losses of £24,569 last year.

The Trustees continue to monitor unrestricted funds and constantly review the manner in which these will be used. In the opinion of the Trustees, the Trust will have adequate cash resources available to finance its operations and to meet its obligations throughout the whole of the current financial year.

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YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2024

Investments

As permitted by the Trust Deed, monies can be invested in the purchase of stocks, shares, funds, securities or other investments at the absolute discretion of the Trustees, who have given the investment managers discretion to manage the portfolio within an agreed risk profile. As in the past, the investments have been reviewed in conjunction with the Stockbrokers on a regular basis.

At the end of the financial year the market value of the investment portfolio was £1,331,714 excluding any un-invested cash, compared with £1,258,978 a year earlier. As previously mentioned, there were net gains on the sale of investments of £691 and a net unrealised revaluation increase of £49,350 compared with net realised gains of £4,955 and a net unrealised revaluation deficit of £101,239 last year.

The trustees were satisfied with the progress and strength of the portfolio during the year under review and remain optimistic for the future growth of the securities which make up the Charities portfolio. The Trustees remain confident that the portfolio can stand market volatility and that the Trustees have adequate resources to cover market volatility and enable reasonable grants to be made.

Risk Management

The Trustees continue to assess the major risks to which the Trust is exposed and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to these risks.

Future Plans

The Trustees intend to continue with current distribution policies in line with the provisions of the Trust Deed, their obligations for public benefit and charity law.

They do not anticipate any changes in their investment or reserves policies or in their activities and objectives.

Members of the Trust

Members of the Trust, who are the Trustees for the purposes of charity law, who served during the year and up to the date of this report are set out on page 1.

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YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2024**

Advisers

The Trustees wish to record their thanks to all of our professional advisers, who are listed on page 1, for their help and advice throughout the year.

These financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 3 December 2024 and signed on their behalf by:



**H C Stevenson
Chairman
3 December 2024**

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES
YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2024**

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of The Thomas Stanley Shipman Charitable Trust (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 May 2024 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet 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 May 2024, and of its incoming resources and application of resources including its income and expenditure, 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 charity 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

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustee's use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the trustees' annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES (continued)
YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2024

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.

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 trustee's report 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 trustees' responsibilities statement set out on page 2, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of 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 charity'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 liquidate the charity or 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 145 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.

The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud, is detailed below.

The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from error is considered to be low. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES (continued)
YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2024

In the context of The Thomas Stanley Shipman Charitable Trust, we have not identified any specific laws and regulations other than general commercial laws and regulations such as: Charities Act 2011; Charity Commission guidance; FATCA; and GDPR.

In response to the audit risks identified, we have undertaken the following procedures:

- Enquiry of trustees to identify any instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations.
- Enquiry of trustees of actual and/or potential litigation and claims.
- Enquiry of trustees to identify any subsequent events that have occurred after the year end relating to this financial period.
- Reviewing legal expenses during and after the year end for evidence of non-compliance with laws and regulations.
- Reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations.
- Auditing the risk of management override of controls, including through testing journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness, and evaluation of the rationale of any significant transactions falling outside the normal course of activities.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditors/audit-assurance-ethics/auditors-responsibilities-for-the-audit. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

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.

Somerbys Limited

3 December 2024

SOMERBYS LIMITED
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditor

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2024

	Note	2024		2023	
		Unrestricted Income	Endowment Capital	Unrestricted Income	Endowment Capital
Income from:					
Investments		53,220	-	54,482	-
Interest received		1,451	-	87	-
		-----	-----	-----	-----
Total income		54,671	-	54,569	-
		-----	-----	-----	-----
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	2	6,431	-	6,180	-
Charitable activities:					
Grants	3	26,500	-	69,927	-
Management and administration of the charity	4	9,778	-	8,836	-
Governance	5	3,960	-	2,500	-
		-----	-----	-----	-----
Total expenditure		46,669	-	87,443	-
		-----	-----	-----	-----
Net income/(expenditure) for the year		8,002	-	(32,874)	-
Other recognised gains and losses					
Gains / (losses) on investments					
Realised		-	691	448	4,507
Unrealised		16,987	32,363	(24,569)	(76,670)
		-----	-----	-----	-----
Net movement in funds		24,989	33,054	(56,995)	(72,163)
Balance brought forward at 1 June 2023		£525,556	£810,693	582,551	882,856
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Balance carried forward at 31 May 2024		£550,545	£843,747	£525,556	£810,693
		=====	=====	=====	=====

The above funds are all unrestricted.

**BALANCE SHEET
AT 31 MAY 2024**

	<u>Note</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Capital</u>	<u>Total 2024</u>	<u>Total 2023</u>
Fixed assets					
Listed investments	6	465,731	865,983	1,331,714	1,258,978
Current assets					
Cash at bank and on deposit	7	87,314	(22,236)	65,078	90,771
Current liabilities					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	(2,500)	-	(2,500)	(13,500)
Net current assets		<u>84,814</u>	<u>(22,236)</u>	<u>62,578</u>	<u>77,271</u>
		<u>£550,545</u>	<u>£843,747</u>	<u>£1,394,292</u>	<u>£1,336,249</u>
Income account	9	550,545	-	550,545	525,556
Capital account		-	843,747	843,747	810,693
		<u>£550,545</u>	<u>£843,747</u>	<u>£1,394,292</u>	<u>£1,336,249</u>

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 3 December 2024 and signed on its behalf by:



H C Stevenson
Chairman
3 December 2024

The notes on pages 12 to 17 form part of these financial statements

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2024**

1. Accounting policies

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

The Trust has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

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

The Financial Statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value; they are presented in Sterling, the functional currency of the Trust, monetary amounts being rounded to the nearest £.

The principal accounting policies adopted, which have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated, are set out below. There have been no changes to accounting estimates during the reporting period.

1.1 Grants

Grants payable are included on an accruals basis in respect of when they are due to be paid.

1.2 Investment income

Income from investments and interest on deposits are included in the accounts when credited or due to be received.

1.3 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred.

Expenditure includes VAT which cannot be recovered by the Trust and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.

Raising funds comprises the costs of generating investment income.

Management and administration of the charity includes the costs incurred by the Trust in the delivery of its activities for its beneficiaries.

Governance relates to the costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory obligations of the Trust.

All costs are allocated between the various classes of expenditure in the Statement of Financial Activities on an actual basis.

1.4 Investments

Investments are stated at market value at the balance sheet date. Any gains or losses on revaluation are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities. Current assets includes cash deposits and cash equivalents with a maturity of less than one year.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)
YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2024

1.5 Debtors and creditors receivable / payable within one year

Debtors and creditors with no stated interest rate and receivable or payable within one year are recorded at transaction price. Any losses arising from impairment are recognised in expenditure.

1.6 Income funds

Income funds represent the unrestricted income and expenditure of the Trust.

1.7 Designated funds

Amounts that the Trustees have identified to be paid at a future date are set aside into designated funds. These are not disclosed separately in the accounts but form part of the unrestricted funds.

1.8 Endowment funds

Endowment funds represent those assets which are held on a long-term basis by the Trust, primarily investments. Income arising on the endowment funds can be used in accordance with the objectives of the Trust and included as unrestricted income.

1.9 Financial instruments

The Trust has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 “Basic Financial Instruments” and Section 12 “Other Financial Instrument 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.

1.10 Taxation

The Trust is a registered charity and is thus exempt from taxation on its income and capital gains.

2. Expenditure on raising funds

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Portfolio management fees	£6,431	£6,180
	=====	=====

3. Grants

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Donations (see analysis)	26,500	48,810
Direct grants and assistance to elderly people	-	1,617
Christmas gifts	-	4,500
Grants to individuals administered by Leicester Charity Link	-	15,000
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	£26,500	£69,927
	=====	=====

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)
YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2024

3. Grants - (continued)
Donations

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Hope Against Cancer	2,500	-
Rainbows Hospice for Children & Young People	2,500	-
Sense Hub Loughborough	2,500	-
John Heggs Bates Charity For Convalescents	2,000	2,000
Ratby Co-Operative Band	2,000	-
Bodie Hodges Foundation	1,000	1,000
Bradgate Park Trust	1,000	-
Leicester Children's Holidays	1,000	-
Leicestershire REMAP	1,000	-
Love 4 Life	1,000	-
On Course Foundation	1,000	-
RNIB	1,000	-
Samaritans of Leicester	1,000	-
Carers UK	750	-
Caudwell Children	750	-
Gaulby Group PCC	750	-
Hourglass	750	-
Rutland Ospreys Future Fund	750	-
PDSA	750	-
Family Holiday Charity	500	-
RABI	500	-
School Readers	500	500
Toys On The Table	500	-
Willow	500	-
Leicestershire, Leicester and Rutland Headway	-	25,000
LOROS	-	5,000
Leicestershire & Rutland Blood Bikes	-	3,000
Air Ambulance	-	2,000
Asthma UK	-	2,000
Dementia UK	-	1,000
Peter Le Marchant Trust	-	1,000
Rebecca J Seaton	-	1,000
Steps	-	1,000
Vista	-	1,000
Home Start Horizons	-	750

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)
YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2024

3. Grants - (continued)		
Leicestershire Chorale	-	750
Sound Cafe	-	750
Bardi Symphony Orchestra	-	500
Welcome to Our Future	-	500
Learning Support Centre	-	60
	<u>£26,500</u>	<u>£48,810</u>

It is the policy of the Trustees not to disclose details of grants to individuals.

4. Management and administration of the charity		<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Distribution and administration expenses		8,000	8,000
Office expenses		1,778	836
		<u>£9,778</u>	<u>£8,836</u>

All of the above support costs have been allocated to charitable activities.

5. Governance		<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Audit fee		1,800	1,500
Accounts fee		2,160	1,000
		<u>£3,960</u>	<u>£2,500</u>

6. Fixed assets			<u>Total</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>Income</u>	<u>Capital</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Listed investments				
Market value at 1 June 2023	448,744	810,234	1,258,978	1,375,727
Additions	-	31,275	31,275	20,015
Disposal proceeds	-	(8,581)	(8,581)	(40,480)
Net realised gains / (losses)	-	691	691	4,955
Net unrealised gains / (losses)	16,987	32,363	49,350	(101,239)
	<u>£465,731</u>	<u>£865,983</u>	<u>£1,331,714</u>	<u>£1,258,978</u>
Market value as at 31 May 2024				
	<u>£328,039</u>	<u>£740,818</u>	<u>£1,068,857</u>	<u>£1,041,190</u>

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6. Fixed assets - (continued)

The Trustees consider that there were four material holdings at the year-end:

	Market Value
Law Debenture Corporation plc - 5p ordinary	£131,400
J P Morgan Funds Limited - US Equity Income C2	£99,648
AstraZeneca plc - US\$0.25 ordinary	£97,520
Blackrock Fund Managers Limited – Continental European Income D	£85,156

7. Cash at bank and on deposit

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Capital</u>	Total <u>2024</u>	Total <u>2023</u>
Redmayne Bentley	35,314	(24,397)	10,917	62,473
HSBC current account	33,260	-	33,260	11,497
HSBC deposit account	329	-	329	77
CAF	3,750	-	3,750	-
Market Harborough Building Society	14,661	2,161	16,822	16,724
	<u>£87,314</u>	<u>(£22,236)</u>	<u>£65,078</u>	<u>£90,771</u>

8. Creditors

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Accrued expenses	£2,500	£2,500
Grants Payable	-	£11,000
	<u>£2,500</u>	<u>£13,500</u>

9. Trustees remuneration

No Trustee was paid any remuneration or expenses during the year.

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10. Related party transactions

Mr P B D Murray, a Trustee of this charity, manages the Market Harborough office of Redmayne Bentley LLP, the stockbroker for the Charity.

During the year portfolio management fees of £6,431 (2023 £6,180) were charged by Redmayne Bentley LLP to the Trust.

Mr P B D Murray is a Trustee of The Thomas Stanley Shipman Charitable Trust. During the year, the Trust provided a grant of £2,000 (2023 £2,000) to John Heggs Bates Charity For Convalescents, a charity in which Mr P B D Murray is a current Trustee.

Mr Murray declared their interests and took no part in the decision to make the awards.

THOMAS STANLEY SHIPMAN CHARITABLE TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 200789

Accounts

THE THOMAS STANLEY SHIPMAN CHARITABLE TRUST
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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 MAY 2023

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THE THOMAS STANLEY SHIPMAN CHARITABLE TRUST

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REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 200789

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Mr P Doleman
Mr P B D Murray
Mr M T Newby

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**ANNUAL REPORT
YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2023**

The Trustees have pleasure in presenting their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 May 2023.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 on pages 12 and 13 and comply with the Trust's governing document, applicable law and the requirements of FRS 102, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities", the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102.

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

The organisation is a registered charity, which was established on 31 August 1961 under a Deed of Trust.

Recruitment and Appointment of the Trustees

Under the requirements of the Deed, the Trust shall have not less than three and not more than five Trustees.

The Trustees should be persons who through residence, occupation or employment or otherwise have special knowledge of the City and County of Leicester and of the wishes of the Settlor. They are selected for an indefinite period of service by resolution of the Trustees.

Trustees' Induction and Training

Trustees are made aware of their responsibilities at the time of appointment and kept abreast of changes in charity law and any matters affecting the governance and assets of the Trust.

Trustees' Responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and 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 & Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the income and expenditure of the charity for that period.

In preparing these financial statements the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP 2019 (FRS 102);
- 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;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

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The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the Trust Deed. 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.

Organisational Structure

The day-to-day activities of the Trust have been delegated to the Secretary to the Trustees, who also attends the meetings of the Trustees, although they have no voting rights.

Two meetings of the Trustees have taken place during the year.

The names of the Trustees who held office during the year under review and up to the date of this report are set out on page 1.

There has been no change to the Board of Trustees since last year's report. Since the year end Hannah Castle has been appointed as Secretary to the Trustees.

Steps are still in hand to recruit a further Trustee at the earliest possible opportunity.

It is with much sadness that the Trustees report that Andrew York, our Secretary for over 40 years, died. Andrew did an extremely good job for the Charity over many years and his administration and welfare of the Trust will be greatly missed.

Objectives and Activities

The principal aim of the Trust is to distribute the income for such charitable purposes as the Trustees may in their absolute discretion from time to time think fit.

The objectives and activities have remained unchanged during the year.

The Trustees consider that the Trust has met its objectives during the year.

Investment Policy

The Trust continues to invest in stocks and shares on the advice of the Stockbrokers; the returns during the year were considered to be satisfactory in the face of the lingering effects of the worldwide covid pandemic, the stagnant growth of the UK economy, the advent of the energy crisis, rising inflation and increasing interest rates, all exacerbated by the conflict in Ukraine. It is difficult to predict the effect going forward that some of these factors will have on the UK's international trading prospects, the previously resilient Market and the Trust's investments. The Trustees believe, however, that the quality stocks which comprise the portfolios will prove their strength and potential for growth and the generation of income in the longer term.

The Trustees intend that the real value of the assets be maintained and enhanced over the long term. A balanced approach between income and capital has, therefore, been adopted. They wish to maintain the capital value of the investment funds at least in line with inflation, whilst providing adequate income to meet the Trust's charitable objectives. The Stockbrokers are, therefore, requested to invest in a diversified portfolio, comprising equities, fixed interest stocks and cash. The Trustees adopt a moderate risk investment strategy and do not commit to any underwriting or similar obligations.

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The Trustees also do not wish any one investment to represent more than a reasonable percentage of the overall value of the investment funds. At the year-end only four investments had a value greater than 5% of the total, the two largest representing a little over 9.6% and 7.1% respectively of the portfolio (note 6), a position which is regularly reviewed, together with the remainder of the contents of the portfolios, in conjunction with the Stockbroker and action taken where appropriate.

Reserves Policy

It is the policy of the Trustees to maintain unrestricted funds, which include the free reserves of the Trust, at a level, which, in the event of a significant fall in income, would provide sufficient funds to meet the on-going operating expenditure. At the present time the free reserves are considerably in excess of such expenditure; the Trustees are, however, mindful of their responsibilities and regularly review the manner in which the available funds may be applied in furtherance of the charitable objectives of the Trust.

Grant Making Policy

The Trust receives applications for grants, which are considered by the Trustees at their meetings, having regard to the provisions of the Trust Deed. It is the primary aim of the Trustees to provide assistance for the relief of poverty and general charitable purposes for the benefit of residents of the City and County of Leicester.

Grants

The Trustees continued their policy of providing assistance to the elderly through direct grants to defray living expenses and for gifts at Christmas. Discretionary funds also continued to be distributed through Leicester Charity Link for the relief of hardship and distress amongst other deserving individuals. Donations during the year to charitable organisations totalled £48,810 compared with £27,250 in the previous year.

The Trustees, whilst encouraged by the sustained level of requests for help, remained disappointed by the lack of suitable local quality applications for assistance during the year, which continued to affect their efforts to distribute more of the accumulated income. It was, therefore, decided, four years ago, to create a website in an effort to raise the profile of the Trust with a view to making local people and charitable organisations more aware of our existence, which would hopefully, in turn, attract more applications. The site was launched during the final week of the 2018/19 financial year and has produced a number of tangible benefits for the Trusts activities.

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 the planning of future activities.

Financial Review

The statement of financial activities on page 10 shows net expenditure for the year, before other recognised gains and losses, of £32,874 compared with £5,222 for the previous year. Total income decreased from £63,343 to £54,569 due to a 14% fall in the level of investment income, which, given the prevailing climate, is considered to be more than reasonable. Total expenditure increased overall, increasing from £68,565 to £87,443, increases in charitable distributions of £19,339 being partly offset by a fall in administration costs and portfolio management fees of £582 and £879.

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There was a decrease during the year on the capital fund of £72,163 comprising net realised gains of £4,507 on the sale of investments and net unrealised loss of £76,670 arising on the revaluation of investments at balance sheet date, compared with net realised gains of £6,860 and net unrealised gains of £28,537 in 2021/22. At the end of the year the capital fund stood at £810,693 represented by listed investments at market value of £810,234 and un-invested cash totalling £459. Unrestricted income funds, meanwhile, were £525,556 comprising listed investments at market value of £448,744 and net current assets of £76,812. Other recognised gains and losses in unrestricted income funds during the year comprised of net realised gains of £448 on the sale of investments and net unrealised loss of £24,569 arising on the revaluation of investments, compared with no net realised gains and net unrealised gains of £947 last year.

The Trustees continue to monitor unrestricted funds and constantly review the manner in which these will be used. In the opinion of the Trustees, the Trust will have adequate cash resources available to finance its operations and to meet its obligations throughout the whole of the current financial year

Investments

As permitted by the Trust Deed, monies can be invested in the purchase of stocks, shares, funds, securities or other investments at the absolute discretion of the Trustees, who have given the investment managers discretion to manage the portfolio within an agreed risk profile. As in the past, the investments have been reviewed in conjunction with the Stockbrokers on a regular basis.

At the end of the financial year the market value of the investment portfolio was £1,258,978 excluding any un-invested cash, compared with £1,375,727 a year earlier. As previously mentioned, there were net gains on the sale of investments of £4,955 and a net unrealised revaluation decline of £101,239 compared with net realised gains of £6,860 and a net unrealised revaluation surplus of £29,484 last year.

The Trustees were satisfied with the sustained progress and relative strength of the portfolio during the year under review and still remain cautiously optimistic over the potential for the future growth of the quality securities, which make up the Trust's portfolios. The Trustees believe, therefore, that the Trust will not suffer any permanent loss in the long term as a result of the unstable market conditions of earlier years, including those initially created by the outcome of the UK referendum and, more recently, the catastrophic effects throughout the world of the covid pandemic and latterly Russia's invasion of Ukraine. The threats posed by higher interest rates and rising inflation, the energy crisis and zero economic growth, as well as the weakness of Sterling and the war in Ukraine, to the potentially volatile Market also remain cause for concern in the shorter term. It is, however, the effects of these issues on the investment income, which most troubles the Trustees in the immediate future. The Trustees, however, remain confident that the portfolios will withstand market volatility and that there will be more than adequate resources available to see us through any prolonged crisis.

Risk Management

The Trustees continue to assess the major risks to which the Trust is exposed and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to these risks.

Future Plans

The Trustees intend to continue with current distribution policies in line with the provisions of the Trust Deed, their obligations for public benefit and charity law.

They do not anticipate any changes in their investment or reserves policies or in their activities and objectives.

Members of the Trust

Members of the Trust, who are the Trustees for the purposes of charity law, who served during the year and up to the date of this report are set out on page 1.

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Advisers

The Trustees wish to record their thanks to all of our professional advisers, who are listed on page 1, for their help and advice throughout the year.

These financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 5 December 2023 and signed on their behalf by:



**H C Stevenson
Chairman
5 December 2023**

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES
YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2023**

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of The Thomas Stanley Shipman Charitable Trust (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 May 2023 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet 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 May 2023, and of its incoming resources and application of resources including its income and expenditure, 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 charity 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

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustee's use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the trustees' annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES (continued)
YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2023

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.

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 trustee's report 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 trustees' responsibilities statement set out on page 2, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of 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 charity'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 liquidate the charity or 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 145 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.

The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud, is detailed below.

The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from error is considered to be low. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES (continued)
YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2023

In the context of The Thomas Stanley Shipman Charitable Trust, we have not identified any specific laws and regulations other than general commercial laws and regulations such as: Charities Act 2011; Charity Commission guidance; FATCA; and GDPR.

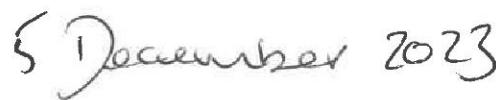
In response to the audit risks identified, we have undertaken the following procedures:

- Enquiry of trustees to identify any instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations.
- Enquiry of trustees of actual and/or potential litigation and claims.
- Enquiry of trustees to identify any subsequent events that have occurred after the year end relating to this financial period.
- Reviewing legal expenses during and after the year end for evidence of non-compliance with laws and regulations.
- Reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations.
- Auditing the risk of management override of controls, including through testing journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness, and evaluation of the rationale of any significant transactions falling outside the normal course of activities.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditors/audit-assurance-ethics/auditors-responsibilities-for-the-audit. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

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.



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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2023

	Note	<u>2023</u>		<u>2022</u>	
		Unrestricted <u>Income</u>	Endowment <u>Capital</u>	Unrestricted <u>Income</u>	Endowment <u>Capital</u>
Income from:					
Investments		54,482	-	63,308	-
Interest received		87	-	35	-
		-----	-----	-----	-----
Total income		54,569	-	63,343	-
		-----	-----	-----	-----
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	2	6,180	-	7,059	-
Charitable activities:					
Grants	3	69,927	-	50,588	-
Management and administration of the charity	4	8,836	-	9,418	-
Governance	5	2,500	-	1,500	-
		-----	-----	-----	-----
Total expenditure		87,443	-	68,565	-
		-----	-----	-----	-----
Net expenditure for the year		(32,874)	-	(5,222)	-
		-----	-----	-----	-----
Other recognised gains and losses					
Gains / (losses) on investments					
Realised		448	4,507	-	6,860
Unrealised		(24,569)	(76,670)	947	28,537
		-----	-----	-----	-----
Net movement in funds		(56,995)	(72,163)	(4,275)	35,397
		-----	-----	-----	-----
Balance brought forward at 1 June 2022		582,551	882,856	586,826	847,459
		-----	-----	-----	-----
Balance carried forward at 31 May 2023		£525,556	£810,693	£582,551	882,856
		=====	=====	=====	=====

The above funds are all unrestricted.

**BALANCE SHEET
AT 31 MAY 2023**

	<u>Note</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Capital</u>	<u>Total 2023</u>	<u>Total 2022</u>
Fixed assets					
Listed investments	6	448,744	810,234	1,258,978	1,375,727
Current assets					
Cash at bank and on deposit	7	90,312	459	90,771	94,130
Current liabilities					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	(13,500)	-	(13,500)	(4,450)
Net current assets		<u>76,812</u>	<u>459</u>	<u>77,271</u>	<u>89,680</u>
		<u>£525,556</u>	<u>£810,693</u>	<u>£1,336,249</u>	<u>£1,465,407</u>
Income account	9	525,556	-	525,556	582,551
Capital account		-	810,693	810,693	882,856
		<u>£525,556</u>	<u>£810,693</u>	<u>£1,336,249</u>	<u>£1,465,407</u>

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 5 December 2023 and signed on its behalf by:



H C Stevenson
Chairman
5 December 2023

The notes on pages 12 to 16 form part of these financial statements

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2023**

1. Accounting policies

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

The Trust has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

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

The Financial Statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value; they are presented in Sterling, the functional currency of the Trust, monetary amounts being rounded to the nearest £.

The principal accounting policies adopted, which have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated, are set out below. There have been no changes to accounting estimates during the reporting period.

1.1 Grants

Grants payable are included on an accruals basis in respect of when they are due to be paid.

1.2 Investment income

Income from investments and interest on deposits are included in the accounts when credited or due to be received.

1.3 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred.

Expenditure includes VAT which cannot be recovered by the Trust and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.

Raising funds comprises the costs of generating investment income.

Management and administration of the charity includes the costs incurred by the Trust in the delivery of its activities for its beneficiaries.

Governance relates to the costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory obligations of the Trust.

All costs are allocated between the various classes of expenditure in the Statement of Financial Activities on an actual basis.

1.4 Investments

Investments are stated at market value at the balance sheet date. Any gains or losses on revaluation are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities. Current assets includes cash deposits and cash equivalents with a maturity of less than one year.

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YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2023

1.5 Debtors and creditors receivable / payable within one year

Debtors and creditors with no stated interest rate and receivable or payable within one year are recorded at transaction price. Any losses arising from impairment are recognised in expenditure.

1.6 Income funds

Income funds represent the unrestricted income and expenditure of the Trust.

1.7 Designated funds

Amounts that the Trustees have identified to be paid at a future date are set aside into designated funds. These are not disclosed separately in the accounts but form part of the unrestricted funds.

1.8 Endowment funds

Endowment funds represent those assets which are held on a long-term basis by the Trust, primarily investments. Income arising on the endowment funds can be used in accordance with the objectives of the Trust and included as unrestricted income.

1.9 Financial instruments

The Trust has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 “Basic Financial Instruments” and Section 12 “Other Financial Instrument 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.

1.10 Taxation

The Trust is a registered charity and is thus exempt from taxation on its income and capital gains.

2. Expenditure on raising funds

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Portfolio management fees	£6,180	£7,059
	=====	=====

3. Grants

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Donations	48,810	27,250
Direct grants and assistance to elderly people	1,617	3,140
Christmas gifts	4,500	5,198
Grants to individuals administered by Leicester Charity Link	15,000	15,000
	-----	-----
	£69,927	£50,588
	=====	=====

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)
YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2023

3. Grants - (continued)
Donations

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Charity Link	25,000	-
LOROS	5,000	-
Leicestershire & Rutland Blood Bikes	3,000	-
Air Ambulance	2,000	-
Asthma UK	2,000	2,000
John Heggs Bates Charity For Convalescents	2,000	2,000
Bodie Hodges Foundation	1,000	-
Dementia UK	1,000	-
Peter Le Marchant Trust	1,000	500
Rebecca J Seaton	1,000	-
Steps	1,000	-
Vista	1,000	-
Home Start Horizons	750	-
Leicestershire Chorale	750	-
Sound Cafe	750	-
Bardi Symphony Orchestra	500	-
School Readers	500	-
Welcome to Our Future	500	-
Learning Support Centre	60	-
Forward Thinking Music and Dance cic	-	3,000
Age UK Leicester Shire & Rutland	-	2,500
Rainbows Hospice for Children & Young People	-	2,500
Sense	-	2,500
Leicester Hospitals Charity	-	2,000
Guide Dogs for the Blind Association	-	1,500
Leicester Children's Holidays	-	1,500
Cancer Support UK	-	1,000
Canine Partners	-	1,000
Charnwood 20:20	-	1,000
Cruse	-	1,000
New Life Community Church	-	1,000
Sportability	-	1,000
Caudwell Children	-	750
Leicester University Chamber Choir	-	500
	<u>£48,810</u>	<u>£27,250</u>

It is the policy of the Trustees not to disclose details of grants to individuals.

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4. Management and administration of the charity

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Distribution and administration expenses	8,000	8,000
Office expenses	836	1,418
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	<u>£8,836</u>	<u>£9,418</u>

All of the above support costs have been allocated to charitable activities.

5. Governance

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Audit fee	1,500	1,500
Accounts fee	1,000	-
	-----	-----
	<u>£2,500</u>	<u>£1,500</u>

6. Fixed assets

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Capital</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>2023</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>2022</u>
Listed investments				
Market value at 1 June 2022	504,173	871,554	1,375,727	1,313,176
Additions	-	20,015	20,015	69,274
Disposal proceeds	(31,308)	(9,172)	(40,480)	(43,067)
Net realised gains / (losses)	448	4,507	4,955	6,860
Net unrealised gains / (losses)	(24,569)	(76,670)	(101,239)	29,484
	-----	-----	-----	-----
Market value as at 31 May 2023	<u>£448,744</u>	<u>£810,234</u>	<u>£1,258,978</u>	<u>£1,375,727</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====
Historical cost as at 31 May 2023	<u>£328,039</u>	<u>£713,151</u>	<u>£1,041,190</u>	<u>£1,035,510</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====

The Trustees consider that there were four material holdings at the year-end:

	Market Value
Law Debenture Corporation plc - 5p ordinary	£126,240
J P Morgan Funds Limited - US Equity Income C2	£91,513
AstraZeneca plc - US\$0.25 ordinary	£93,280
Blackrock Fund Managers Limited – Continental European Income D	£78,674
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)
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7. Cash at bank and on deposit

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Capital</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>2023</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>2022</u>
Redmayne Bentley	64,175	(1,702)	62,473	73,417
HSBC current account	11,497	-	11,497	3,950
HSBC deposit account	77	-	77	77
Market Harborough Building Society	14,563	2,161	16,724	16,686
	<u>£90,312</u>	<u>£459</u>	<u>£90,771</u>	<u>£94,130</u>

8. Creditors

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Accrued expenses	£2,500	£4,450
Grants payable	£11,000	-
	<u>£13,500</u>	<u>£4,450</u>

9. Designated funds

Unrestricted income reserves include £2,000 of reserves which have been designated for a future project.

10. Trustees remuneration

No Trustee was paid any remuneration or expenses during the year.

11. Related party transactions

Mr P B D Murray, a Trustee of this charity, manages the Market Harborough office of Redmayne Bentley LLP, the stockbroker for the Charity.

During the year portfolio management fees of £6,180 (2022 £7,059) were charged by Redmayne Bentley LLP to the Trust.

Mr H C Stevenson and Mr P B D Murray are Trustees of The Thomas Stanley Shipman Charitable Trust. During the year, the Trust provided a grant of £2,000 (2022 £2,000) to John Heggs Bates Charity For Convalescents, a charity in which Mr H C Stevenson was a Trustee (resigned 04/08/2022) and Mr P B D Murray is a current Trustee.

Mr Stevenson and Mr Murray declared their interests and took no part in the decision to make the awards.

THOMAS STANLEY SHIPMAN CHARITABLE TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 200789

Accounts

THE THOMAS STANLEY SHIPMAN CHARITABLE TRUST
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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 MAY 2022

SOMERBYS LIMITED
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THE THOMAS STANLEY SHIPMAN CHARITABLE TRUST

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REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 200789

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Mr P Doleman
Mr P B D Murray
Mr M T Newby

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Mr AR York

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**ANNUAL REPORT
YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2022**

The Trustees have pleasure in presenting their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 May 2022.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 on pages 12 and 13 and comply with the Trust's governing document, applicable law and the requirements of FRS 102, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities", the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102.

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

The organisation is a registered charity, which was established on 31 August 1961 under a Deed of Trust.

Recruitment and Appointment of the Trustees

Under the requirements of the Deed, the Trust shall have not less than three and not more than five Trustees.

The Trustees should be persons who through residence, occupation or employment or otherwise have special knowledge of the City and County of Leicester and of the wishes of the Settlor. They are selected for an indefinite period of service by resolution of the Trustees.

Trustees' Induction and Training

Trustees are made aware of their responsibilities at the time of appointment and kept abreast of changes in charity law and any matters affecting the governance and assets of the Trust.

Trustees' Responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and 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 & Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the income and expenditure of the charity for that period.

In preparing these financial statements the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP 2019 (FRS 102);
- 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;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

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The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the Trust Deed. 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.

Organisational Structure

The day-to-day activities of the Trust have been delegated to the Secretary to the Trustees, who also attends the meetings of the Trustees, although he has no voting rights.

Two meetings of the Trustees have taken place during the year.

The names of the Trustees who held office during the year under review and up to the date of this report are set out on page 1.

There has been no change to the Board of Trustees since last year's report.

Steps are still in hand to recruit a further Trustee at the earliest possible opportunity.

Objectives and Activities

The principal aim of the Trust is to distribute the income for such charitable purposes as the Trustees may in their absolute discretion from time to time think fit.

The objectives and activities have remained unchanged during the year.

The Trustees consider that the Trust has met its objectives during the year.

Investment Policy

The Trust continues to invest in stocks and shares on the advice of the Stockbrokers; the returns during the year were considered to be satisfactory in the face of the lingering effects of the worldwide covid pandemic, the stagnant growth of the UK economy, the advent of the energy crisis, rising inflation and increasing interest rates, all exacerbated by the conflict in Ukraine. It is difficult to predict the effect going forward that some of these factors will have on the UK's international trading prospects, the previously resilient Market and the Trust's investments. The Trustees believe, however, that the quality stocks which comprise the portfolios will prove their strength and potential for growth and the generation of income in the longer term.

The Trustees intend that the real value of the assets be maintained and enhanced over the long term. A balanced approach between income and capital has, therefore, been adopted. They wish to maintain the capital value of the investment funds at least in line with inflation, whilst providing adequate income to meet the Trust's charitable objectives. The Stockbrokers are, therefore, requested to invest in a diversified portfolio, comprising equities, fixed interest stocks and cash. The Trustees adopt a moderate risk investment strategy and do not commit to any underwriting or similar obligations.

The Trustees also do not wish any one investment to represent more than a reasonable percentage of the overall value of the investment funds. At the year-end only four investments had a value greater than 5% of the total, the two largest representing a little over 9.4% and 9.3% respectively of the portfolio (note 6), a position which is regularly reviewed, together with the remainder of the contents of the portfolios, in conjunction with the Stockbroker and action taken where appropriate.

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Reserves Policy

It is the policy of the Trustees to maintain unrestricted funds, which include the free reserves of the Trust, at a level, which, in the event of a significant fall in income, would provide sufficient funds to meet the on-going operating expenditure. At the present time the free reserves are considerably in excess of such expenditure; the Trustees are, however, mindful of their responsibilities and regularly review the manner in which the available funds may be applied in furtherance of the charitable objectives of the Trust.

Grant Making Policy

The Trust receives applications for grants, which are considered by the Trustees at their meetings, having regard to the provisions of the Trust Deed. It is the primary aim of the Trustees to provide assistance for the relief of poverty and general charitable purposes for the benefit of residents of the City and County of Leicester.

Grants

The Trustees continued their policy of providing assistance to the elderly through direct grants to defray living expenses and for gifts at Christmas. Discretionary funds also continued to be distributed through Leicester Charity Link for the relief of hardship and distress amongst other deserving individuals. Donations during the year to charitable organisations totalled £27,250 compared with £25,585 in the previous year.

The Trustees, whilst encouraged by the sustained level of requests for help, remained disappointed by the lack of suitable local quality applications for assistance during the year, which continued to affect their efforts to distribute more of the accumulated income. It was, therefore, decided, three years ago, to create a website in an effort to raise the profile of the Trust with a view to making local people and charitable organisations more aware of our existence, which would hopefully, in turn, attract more applications. The site was launched during the final week of the 2018/19 financial year and has produced a number of tangible benefits for the Trusts activities.

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 the planning of future activities.

Financial Review

The statement of financial activities on page 10 shows net expenditure for the year, before other recognised gains and losses, of £5,222 compared with £20,555 for the previous year. Total income increased from £47,963 to £63,343 due to a 32% rise in the level of investment income, which, given the prevailing climate, is considered to be more than reasonable, although assisted by a one-off special dividend from an investment. Total expenditure remained stable overall, increasing from £68,518 to £68,565, increases in portfolio management fees and administration costs of £981 and £433 being largely offset by a fall in charitable distributions down some £1,367 compared with a year earlier, despite an increase in donations.

There was a surplus during the year on the capital fund of £35,397 comprising net realised gains of £6,860 on the sale of investments and net unrealised gains of £28,537 arising on the revaluation of investments at balance sheet date, compared with net realised gains of £12,713 and net unrealised gains of £97,163 in 2020/21. At the end of the year the capital fund stood at £882,856, represented by listed investments at market value of £871,554 and un-invested cash totalling £11,302. Unrestricted income funds, meanwhile, were £582,551 comprising listed investments at market value of £504,173 and net current assets of £78,378. Other recognised gains and losses in unrestricted income funds during the year comprised net unrealised gains on the revaluation of investments at balance sheet date of £947; this compares with a realised loss of £391 and net unrealised gains of £60,316 last year.

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The Trustees continue to monitor unrestricted funds and constantly review the manner in which these will be used. In the opinion of the Trustees, the Trust will have adequate cash resources available to finance its operations and to meet its obligations throughout the whole of the current financial year

Investments

As permitted by the Trust Deed, monies can be invested in the purchase of stocks, shares, funds, securities or other investments at the absolute discretion of the Trustees, who have given the investment managers discretion to manage the portfolio within an agreed risk profile. As in the past, the investments have been reviewed in conjunction with the Stockbrokers on a regular basis.

At the end of the financial year the market value of the investment portfolio was £1,375,727 excluding any un-invested cash, compared with £1,313,176 a year earlier. As previously mentioned, there were net gains on the sale of investments of £6,860 and a net unrealised revaluation surplus of £29,484 compared with net realised gains of £12,322 and a net unrealised revaluation surplus of £157,479 last year.

The Trustees were satisfied with the sustained progress and relative strength of the portfolio during the year under review and, despite the market slump in the first quarter of 2022, still remain cautiously optimistic over the potential for the future growth of the quality securities, which make up the Trust's portfolios. The Trustees believe, therefore, that the Trust will not suffer any permanent loss in the long term as a result of the unstable market conditions of earlier years, including those initially created by the outcome of the UK referendum and, more recently, the catastrophic effects throughout the world of the covid pandemic and latterly Russia's invasion of Ukraine. The threats posed by higher interest rates and rising inflation, the energy crisis and zero economic growth, as well as the weakness of Sterling and the war in Ukraine, to the potentially volatile Market also remain cause for concern in the shorter term. It is, however, the effects of these issues on the investment income, which most troubles the Trustees in the immediate future. The Trustees, however, remain confident that the portfolios will withstand market volatility and that there will be more than adequate resources available to see us through any prolonged crisis.

Two years ago, the Trustees, having been confronted by a huge increase in the rate of portfolio management fees levied by the Stockbrokers, decided to seek alternative quotations and subsequently appointed a replacement, Redmayne Bentley LLP, in succession to Brewin Dolphin Limited. The portfolios were successfully transferred without difficulty and the Trustees are satisfied with the outcome and continuing progress with the restructuring by the new manager in an uncertain and volatile climate.

Risk Management

The Trustees continue to assess the major risks to which the Trust is exposed and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to these risks.

Future Plans

The Trustees intend to continue with current distribution policies in line with the provisions of the Trust Deed, their obligations for public benefit and charity law.

They do not anticipate any changes in their investment or reserves policies or in their activities and objectives.

Members of the Trust

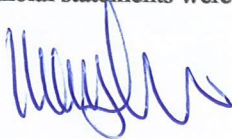
Members of the Trust, who are the Trustees for the purposes of charity law, who served during the year and up to the date of this report are set out on page 1.

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YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2022**

Advisers

The Trustees wish to record their thanks to all of our professional advisers, who are listed on page 1, for their help and advice throughout the year.

These financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 29 November 2022 and signed on their behalf by:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'H C Stevenson', written over a faint red line.

**H C Stevenson
Chairman
29 November 2022**

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES
YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2022**

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of The Thomas Stanley Shipman Charitable Trust (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 May 2022 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of 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 May 2022, 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 charity 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

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the foundation's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the trustees' 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, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES (continued)
YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2022

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 there is 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.

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
- the charity has not kept adequate accounting records; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the trustees' responsibilities statement set out on page 2, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of 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 charity'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 liquidate the charity or 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 145 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with regulations made under section 154 of that Act.

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. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud, is detailed below.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES (continued)
YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2022

The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from error is considered to be low. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls.

In the context of The Thomas Stanley Shipman Charitable Trust, we have not identified any specific laws and regulations other than general commercial laws and regulations such as: Charities Act 2011; Charity Commission guidance; FATCA; and GDPR.

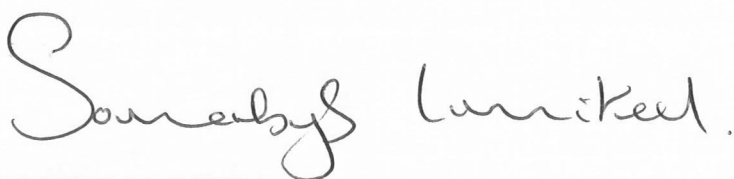
In response to the audit risks identified, we have undertaken the following procedures:

- Enquiry of trustees to identify any instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations.
- Enquiry of trustees of actual and/or potential litigation and claims.
- Reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations.
- Auditing the risk of management override of controls, including through testing journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness, and evaluation of the rationale of any significant transactions falling outside the normal course of activities.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

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.



29 November 2022

SOMERBYS LIMITED
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditor

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2022

	Note	<u>2022</u>		<u>2021</u>	
		Unrestricted Income	Endowment Capital	Unrestricted Income	Endowment Capital
Income from:					
Investments		63,308	-	47,909	-
Interest received		35	-	54	-
Total income		<u>63,343</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>47,963</u>	<u>-</u>
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	2	7,059	-	6,078	-
Charitable activities:					
Grants	3	50,588	-	51,955	-
Management and administration of the charity	4	9,418	-	8,985	-
Governance	5	1,500	-	1,500	-
Total expenditure		<u>68,565</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>68,518</u>	<u>-</u>
Net expenditure for the year		<u>(5,222)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(20,555)</u>	<u>-</u>
Other recognised gains and losses					
Gains / (losses) on investments					
Realised		-	6,860	(391)	12,713
Unrealised		947	28,537	60,316	97,163
Net movement in funds		<u>(4,275)</u>	<u>35,397</u>	<u>39,370</u>	<u>109,876</u>
Balance brought forward at 1 June 2021		586,826	847,459	547,456	737,583
Balance carried forward at 31 May 2022		<u>£582,551</u>	<u>882,856</u>	<u>£586,826</u>	<u>847,459</u>

The above funds are all unrestricted.

BALANCE SHEET
AT 31 MAY 2022

	<u>Note</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Capital</u>	<u>Total 2022</u>	<u>Total 2021</u>
Fixed assets					
Listed investments	6	504,173	871,554	1,375,727	1,313,176
Current assets					
Cash at bank and on deposit	7	82,828	11,302	94,130	125,464
Current liabilities					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	(4,450)	-	(4,450)	(4,355)
Net current assets		<u>78,378</u>	<u>11,302</u>	<u>89,680</u>	<u>121,109</u>
Income account	9	582,551	-	582,551	586,826
Capital account		-	882,856	882,856	847,459
		<u>£582,551</u>	<u>£882,856</u>	<u>£1,465,407</u>	<u>£1,434,285</u>

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 29 November 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

H C Stevenson
Chairman
29 November 2022

The notes on pages 12 to 16 form part of these financial statements

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2022**

1. Accounting policies

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

The Trust has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

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

The Financial Statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value; they are presented in Sterling, the functional currency of the Trust, monetary amounts being rounded to the nearest £.

The principal accounting policies adopted, which have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated, are set out below. There have been no changes to accounting estimates during the reporting period.

1.1 Grants

Grants payable are included on an accruals basis in respect of when they are due to be paid.

1.2 Investment income

Income from investments and interest on deposits are included in the accounts when credited or due to be received.

1.3 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred.

Expenditure includes VAT which cannot be recovered by the Trust and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.

Raising funds comprises the costs of generating investment income.

Management and administration of the charity includes the costs incurred by the Trust in the delivery of its activities for its beneficiaries.

Governance relates to the costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory obligations of the Trust.

All costs are allocated between the various classes of expenditure in the Statement of Financial Activities on an actual basis.

1.4 Investments

Investments are stated at market value at the balance sheet date. Any gains or losses on revaluation are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities. Current assets includes cash deposits and cash equivalents with a maturity of less than one year.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)
YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2022

1.5 Debtors and creditors receivable / payable within one year

Debtors and creditors with no stated interest rate and receivable or payable within one year are recorded at transaction price. Any losses arising from impairment are recognised in expenditure.

1.6 Income funds

Income funds represent the unrestricted income and expenditure of the Trust.

1.7 Designated funds

Amounts that the Trustees have identified to be paid at a future date are set aside into designated funds. These are not disclosed separately in the accounts but form part of the unrestricted funds.

1.8 Endowment funds

Endowment funds represent those assets which are held on a long-term basis by the Trust, primarily investments. Income arising on the endowment funds can be used in accordance with the objectives of the Trust and included as unrestricted income.

1.9 Financial instruments

The Trust has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 “Basic Financial Instruments” and Section 12 “Other Financial Instrument 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.

2.0 Taxation

The Trust is a registered charity and is thus exempt from taxation on its income and capital gains.

2. Expenditure on raising funds

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Portfolio management fees	£7,059	£6,078

3. Grants

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Donations	27,250	25,585
Direct grants and assistance to elderly people	3,140	5,290
Christmas gifts	5,198	6,080
Grants to individuals administered by Leicester Charity Link	15,000	15,000
	<u>£50,588</u>	<u>£51,955</u>

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3. Grants - (continued)

Donations

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Forward Thinking Music and Dance cic	3,000	-
Age UK Leicester Shire & Rutland	2,500	-
Rainbows Hospice for Children & Young People	2,500	5,000
Sense	2,500	-
Asthma Relief	2,000	-
John Heggs Bates Charity For Convalescents	2,000	2,000
Leicester Hospitals Charity	2,000	-
Guide Dogs for the Blind Association	1,500	-
Leicester Children's Holidays	1,500	-
Cancer Support UK	1,000	-
Canine Partners	1,000	-
Charnwood 20:20	1,000	-
Cruse	1,000	-
New Life Community Church	1,000	-
Sportability	1,000	-
Caudwell Children	750	-
Leicester University Chamber Choir	500	-
Peter Le Marchant Trust	500	1,000
LOROS	-	5,000
Hope Against Cancer	-	2,500
Wheelyboat Trust	-	1,500
British Disabled Angling Association	-	1,235
Engineering Development Trust East Midlands	-	1,200
Vista	-	1,150
Leicestershire, Leicester and Rutland Headway	-	1,000
Young Women's Trust	-	1,000
Newlife Charity for Disabled Children	-	750
Oesophageal Patients Association	-	750
Bardi Symphony Orchestra	-	500
Leicestershire Chorale	-	500
Schoolreaders	-	500
	<u>£27,250</u>	<u>£25,585</u>

It is the policy of the Trustees not to disclose details of grants to individuals.

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4. Management and administration of the charity

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Distribution and administration expenses	8,000	8,000
Office expenses	1,418	985
	<u>£9,418</u>	<u>£8,985</u>

All of the above support costs have been allocated to charitable activities.

5. Governance

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Audit fee	£1,500	£1,500

6. Fixed assets

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Capital</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>2022</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>2021</u>
Listed investments				
Market value at 1 June 2021	479,043	834,133	1,313,176	1,163,622
Additions	24,183	45,091	69,274	141,561
Disposal proceeds	-	(43,067)	(43,067)	(161,808)
Net realised gains / (losses)	-	6,860	6,860	12,322
Net unrealised gains / (losses)	947	28,537	29,484	157,479
Market value as at 31 May 2022	<u>£504,173</u>	<u>£871,554</u>	<u>£1,375,727</u>	<u>£1,313,176</u>
Historical cost as at 31 May 2022	<u>£337,708</u>	<u>£697,802</u>	<u>£1,035,510</u>	<u>£999,757</u>

The Trustees consider that there were four material holdings at the year-end:

	Market Value
Law Debenture Corporation plc - 5p ordinary	£129,760
J P Morgan Funds Limited - US Equity Income C2	£128,919
AstraZeneca plc - US\$0.25 ordinary	£83,632
Blackrock Fund Managers Limited – Continental European Income D	<u>£75,509</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)
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7. Cash at bank and on deposit

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Capital</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>2022</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>2021</u>
Redmayne Bentley	64,276	9,141	73,417	106,588
HSBC current account	3,950	-	3,950	2,146
HSBC deposit account	77	-	77	77
Market Harborough Building Society	14,525	2,161	16,686	16,653
	<u>£82,828</u>	<u>£11,302</u>	<u>£94,130</u>	<u>£125,464</u>

8. Creditors

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Accrued expenses	£4,450	£4,355

9. Designated funds

Unrestricted income reserves include £4,000 of reserves which have been designated for a future project.

10. Trustees remuneration

No Trustee was paid any remuneration or expenses during the year.

11. Related party transactions

Mr P B D Murray, a Trustee of this charity, manages the Market Harborough office of Redmayne Bentley LLP, the stockbroker for the Charity.

During the year portfolio management fees of £7,059 (2021 £6,078) were charged by Redmayne Bentley LLP to the Trust.

Mr H C Stevenson and Mr P B D Murray are Trustees of The Thomas Stanley Shipman Charitable Trust. During the year, the Trust provided a grant of £2,000 (2021 £2,000) to John Heggs Bates Charity For Convalescents, a charity in which Mr H C Stevenson was a Trustee (resigned 04/08/2022) and Mr P B D Murray was appointed as a Trustee (appointed 06/12/2021).

Mr Stevenson and Mr Murray declared their interests and took no part in the decision to make the awards.

THOMAS STANLEY SHIPMAN CHARITABLE TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 200789

Accounts

THE THOMAS STANLEY SHIPMAN CHARITABLE TRUST
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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 MAY 2021

SOMERBYS LIMITED
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS
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THE THOMAS STANLEY SHIPMAN CHARITABLE TRUST

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REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 200789

Trustees

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Mr P Doleman
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Mr M T Newby**

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Mr AR York

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**ANNUAL REPORT
YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2021**

The Trustees have pleasure in presenting their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 May 2021.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 on pages 12 and 13 and comply with the Trust's governing document, applicable law and the requirements of FRS 102, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities", the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102.

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

The organisation is a registered charity, which was established on 31 August 1961 under a Deed of Trust.

Recruitment and Appointment of the Trustees

Under the requirements of the Deed, the Trust shall have not less than three and not more than five Trustees.

The Trustees should be persons who through residence, occupation or employment or otherwise have special knowledge of the City and County of Leicester and of the wishes of the Settlor. They are selected for an indefinite period of service by resolution of the Trustees.

Trustees' Induction and Training

Trustees are made aware of their responsibilities at the time of appointment and kept abreast of changes in charity law and any matters affecting the governance and assets of the Trust.

Trustees' Responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and 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 & Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the income and expenditure of the charity for that period.

In preparing these financial statements the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP 2019 (FRS 102);
- 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;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

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The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the Trust Deed. 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.

Organisational Structure

The day-to-day activities of the Trust have been delegated to the Secretary to the Trustees, who also attends the meetings of the Trustees, although he has no voting rights.

Two meetings of the Trustees have taken place during the year, conducted by Zoom due to the restrictions imposed by the Covid-19 crisis.

The names of the Trustees who held office during the year under review and up to the date of this report are set out on page 1.

There has been no change to the Board of Trustees since last year's report.

Steps are still in hand to recruit a further Trustee at the earliest possible opportunity.

Objectives and Activities

The principal aim of the Trust is to distribute the income for such charitable purposes as the Trustees may in their absolute discretion from time to time think fit.

The objectives and activities have remained unchanged during the year.

The Trustees consider that the Trust has met its objectives during the year.

Investment Policy

The Trust continues to invest in stocks and shares on the advice of the Stockbrokers; the returns during the year were considered to be satisfactory in the face of the on-going worldwide pandemic, the serious covid-induced market setback towards the end of the previous financial year and their effects on the fragile economic conditions at home. The erratic growth of the UK economy, coupled with gloomy global forecasts, continue to be overshadowed by some on-going uncertainties following the departure of the UK from the European Union, not to mention the disastrous covid crisis. It is difficult to predict the effect going forward that these factors and the threats posed by rising inflation and the energy crisis will have on the UK's international trading prospects, the previously resilient Market and the Trust's investments. The Trustees believe, however, that the quality stocks which comprise the portfolios will prove their strength and potential for growth and the generation of income in the longer term.

The Trustees intend that the real value of the assets be maintained and enhanced over the long term. A balanced approach between income and capital has, therefore, been adopted. They wish to maintain the capital value of the investment funds at least in line with inflation, whilst providing adequate income to meet the Trust's charitable objectives. The Stockbrokers are, therefore, requested to invest in a diversified portfolio, comprising equities, fixed interest stocks and cash. The Trustees adopt a moderate risk investment strategy and do not commit to any underwriting or similar obligations. The Trustees also do not wish any one investment to represent more than a reasonable percentage of the overall value of the investment funds; at the year-end only four investments had a value greater than 5% of the total, the two largest representing a little over 9.3% and 8.5% respectively of the portfolio (note 6), a position which is regularly reviewed in conjunction with the Stockbroker and action taken where appropriate.

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Reserves Policy

It is the policy of the Trustees to maintain unrestricted funds, which include the free reserves of the Trust, at a level, which, in the event of a significant fall in income, would provide sufficient funds to meet the on-going operating expenditure. At the present time the free reserves are considerably in excess of such expenditure; the Trustees are, however, mindful of their responsibilities and regularly review the manner in which the funds may be applied in furtherance of the charitable objectives of the Trust.

Grant Making Policy

The Trust receives applications for grants, which are considered by the Trustees at their meetings, having regard to the provisions of the Trust Deed. It is the primary aim of the Trustees to provide assistance for the relief of poverty and general charitable purposes for the benefit of residents of the City and County of Leicester.

Grants

The Trustees continued their policy of providing assistance to the elderly through direct grants to defray living expenses and for gifts at Christmas. Discretionary funds also continued to be distributed through Leicester Charity Link for the relief of hardship and distress amongst other deserving individuals. Donations during the year to charitable organisations totalled £25,585 compared with £25,250 in the previous year.

The Trustees, whilst encouraged by the sustained level of requests for help, remained disappointed by the lack of suitable quality applications for assistance during the year, which continued to affect their efforts to distribute more of the accumulated income. It was, therefore, decided, two years ago, to create a website in an effort to raise the profile of the Trust with a view to making local people and charitable organisations more aware of our existence, which would hopefully, in turn, attract more applications. The site was launched during the final week of the 2018/19 financial year and has produced a number of tangible benefits for the Trusts activities.

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 the planning of future activities.

Financial Review

The statement of financial activities on page 10 shows net expenditure for the year, before other recognised gains and losses, of £20,555 compared with £13,339 for the previous year. Total income decreased from £58,013 to £47,963 due to a 17% drop in the level of investment income, which, given the prevailing circumstances created by the pandemic, is considered to be reasonable and even a little ahead of expectations. There was a decrease of £2,834 in total expenditure from £71,352 to £68,518, due mainly to modest decreases in portfolio management fees and charitable distributions down some £830 and £1,958 respectively compared with a year earlier.

There was a surplus during the year on the capital fund of £109,876 comprising net realised gains of £12,713 on the sale of investments and net unrealised gains of £97,163 arising on the revaluation of investments at balance sheet date. This compares with net unrealised losses of £94,200 on the revaluation of investments in 2019/20. At the end of the year the capital fund stood at £847,459, represented by listed investments at market value of £834,133 and un-invested cash totalling £13,326. Unrestricted income funds, meanwhile, were £586,826 comprising listed investments at market value of £479,043 and net current assets of £107,783. Other recognised gains and losses in unrestricted income funds during the year comprised a realised loss of £391 on the sale of an investment and net unrealised gains on the revaluation of investments at balance sheet date of £60,316. This compares with realised gains of £2,478 and net unrealised losses of £35,141 last year.

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The Trustees continue to monitor unrestricted funds and constantly review the manner in which these will be used. In the opinion of the Trustees, the Trust will have adequate cash resources available to finance its operations and to meet its obligations throughout the whole of the current financial year

Investments

As permitted by the Trust Deed, monies can be invested in the purchase of stocks, shares, funds, securities or other investments at the absolute discretion of the Trustees, who have given the investment managers discretion to manage the portfolio within an agreed risk profile. As in the past, the investments have been reviewed in conjunction with the Stockbrokers on a regular basis.

At the end of the financial year the market value of the investment portfolio was £1,313,176, excluding any un-invested cash, compared with £1,163,622 a year earlier. As previously mentioned, there were net gains on the sale of investments of £12,322 and a net unrealised revaluation surplus of £157,479 compared with realised gains of £2,478 and a net unrealised revaluation deficit of £129,341 last year.

The Trustees were satisfied with the sustained progress and relative strength of the portfolio during the year under review and still remain cautiously optimistic over the potential for the future growth, post-covid, of the quality securities, which make up the Trust's portfolios. The Trustees believe, therefore, that the Trust will not suffer any permanent loss in the long term as a result of the unstable market conditions of earlier years, including those initially created by the outcome of the UK referendum and, more recently, the catastrophic effects throughout the world of the covid pandemic. The threats posed by inflation, the energy crisis and fragile economic growth, as well as the continuing clashes with the European Union over some 'Brexit' issues, to the potentially volatile Market also remain cause for concern in the shorter term. It is, however, the unknown and still unquantified effects of Covid-19 on the investment income, which most troubles the Trustees in the immediate future. The Trustees, however, remain confident that there will be more than adequate accrued resources available to see us through the lingering crisis.

During the previous year, the Trustees, having been confronted by a huge increase in the rate of portfolio management fees levied by the Stockbrokers, decided to seek alternative quotations and subsequently appointed a replacement, Redmayne Bentley LLP, in succession to Brewin Dolphin Limited.

The portfolio was successfully transferred without difficulty and the Trustees are satisfied with the outcome and progress of the portfolio following some minor restructuring by the new manager.

Risk Management

The Trustees continue to assess the major risks to which the Trust is exposed and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to these risks.

Future Plans

The Trustees intend to continue with current distribution policies in line with the provisions of the Trust Deed, their obligations for public benefit and charity law.

They do not anticipate any changes in their investment or reserves policies or in their activities and objectives.

Members of the Trust

Members of the Trust, who are the Trustees for the purposes of charity law, who served during the year and up to the date of this report are set out on page 1.

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Advisers

The Trustees wish to record their thanks to all of our professional advisers, who are listed on page 1, for their help and advice throughout the year.

These financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 30 November 2021 and signed on their behalf by:



**H C Stevenson
Chairman
30 November 2021**

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES
YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2021**

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of The Thomas Stanley Shipman Charitable Trust (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 May 2021 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of 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 May 2021, 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 charity 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

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the foundation's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the trustees' annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES
YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2021**

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, 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 audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. 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.

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 trustees' responsibilities statement set out on page 2, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of financial statements which 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 charity'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 liquidate the charity or 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 145 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with regulations made under section 154 of that Act.

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. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud, is detailed below.

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES
YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2021**

The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from error is considered to be low. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls.

In the context of The Thomas Stanley Shipman Charitable Trust, we have not identified any specific laws and regulations other than general commercial laws and regulations such as: Charities Act 2011; Charity Commission guidance; and GDPR.

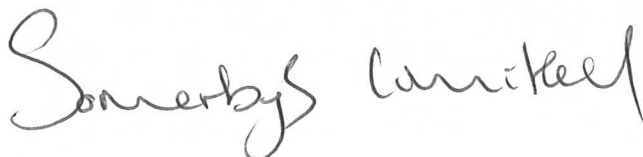
In response to the audit risks identified, we have undertaken the following procedures:

- Enquiry of trustees to identify any instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations.
- Enquiry of trustees of actual and/or potential litigation and claims.
- Reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations.
- Auditing the risk of management override of controls, including through testing journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness, and evaluation of the rationale of any significant transactions falling outside the normal course of activities.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

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.



30 November 2021

SOMERBYS LIMITED
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditor

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2021

	Note	2021		2020	
		Unrestricted	Endowment	Unrestricted	Endowment
		<u>Income</u>	<u>Capital</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Capital</u>
Income from:					
Investments		47,909	-	57,773	-
Interest received		54	-	240	-
Total income		<u>47,963</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>58,013</u>	<u>-</u>
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	2	6,078	-	6,908	-
Charitable activities:					
Grants	3	51,955	-	53,913	-
Management and administration of the charity	4	8,985	-	9,109	-
Governance	5	1,500	-	1,422	-
Total expenditure		<u>68,518</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>71,352</u>	<u>-</u>
Net expenditure for the year		<u>(20,555)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(13,339)</u>	<u>-</u>
Other recognised gains and losses					
Gains / (losses) on investments					
Realised		(391)	12,713	2,478	-
Unrealised		60,316	97,163	(35,141)	(94,200)
Net movement in funds		<u>39,370</u>	<u>109,876</u>	<u>(46,002)</u>	<u>(94,200)</u>
Balance brought forward at 1 June 2020		<u>547,456</u>	<u>737,583</u>	<u>593,458</u>	<u>831,783</u>
Balance carried forward at 31 May 2021		<u><u>£586,826</u></u>	<u><u>847,459</u></u>	<u><u>£547,456</u></u>	<u><u>£737,583</u></u>

The above funds are all unrestricted.

BALANCE SHEET
AT 31 MAY 2021

	<u>Note</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Capital</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>2021</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>2020</u>
Fixed assets					
Listed investments	6	479,043	834,133	1,313,176	1,163,622
Current assets					
Cash at bank and on deposit	7	112,138	13,326	125,464	122,917
Current liabilities					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	(4,355)	-	(4,355)	(1,500)
Net current assets		<u>107,783</u>	<u>13,326</u>	<u>121,109</u>	<u>121,417</u>
		<u>£586,826</u>	<u>£847,459</u>	<u>£1,434,285</u>	<u>£1,285,039</u>
Income account	9	586,826	-	586,826	547,456
Capital account		-	847,459	847,459	737,583
		<u>£586,826</u>	<u>£847,459</u>	<u>£1,434,285</u>	<u>£1,285,039</u>

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 30 November 2021 and signed on its behalf by:



H C Stevenson
Chairman
30 November 2021

The notes on pages 12 to 16 form part of these financial statements

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2021**

1. Accounting policies

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

The Trust has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

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

The Financial Statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value; they are presented in Sterling, the functional currency of the Trust, monetary amounts being rounded to the nearest £.

The principal accounting policies adopted, which have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated, are set out below. There have been no changes to accounting estimates during the reporting period.

1.1 Grants

Grants payable are included on an accruals basis in respect of when they are due to be paid.

1.2 Investment income

Income from investments and interest on deposits are included in the accounts when credited or due to be received.

1.3 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred.

Expenditure includes VAT which cannot be recovered by the Trust and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.

Raising funds comprises the costs of generating investment income.

Management and administration of the charity includes the costs incurred by the Trust in the delivery of its activities for its beneficiaries.

Governance relates to the costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory obligations of the Trust.

All costs are allocated between the various classes of expenditure in the Statement of Financial Activities on an actual basis.

1.4 Investments

Investments are stated at market value at the balance sheet date. Any gains or losses on revaluation are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities. Current assets includes cash deposits and cash equivalents with a maturity of less than one year.

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1.5 Debtors and creditors receivable / payable within one year

Debtors and creditors with no stated interest rate and receivable or payable within one year are recorded at transaction price. Any losses arising from impairment are recognised in expenditure.

1.6 Income funds

Income funds represent the unrestricted income and expenditure of the Trust.

1.7 Designated funds

Amounts that the Trustees have identified to be paid at a future date are set aside into designated funds. These are not disclosed separately in the accounts but form part of the unrestricted funds.

1.8 Endowment funds

Endowment funds represent those assets which are held on a long-term basis by the Trust, primarily investments. Income arising on the endowment funds can be used in accordance with the objectives of the Trust and included as unrestricted income.

1.9 Financial instruments

The Trust has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 “Basic Financial Instruments” and Section 12 “Other Financial Instrument 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.

2.0 Taxation

The Trust is a registered charity and is thus exempt from taxation on its income and capital gains.

2. Expenditure on raising funds

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Portfolio management fees	£6,078	£6,908

3. Grants

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Donations	25,585	25,250
Direct grants and assistance to elderly people	5,290	7,115
Christmas gifts	6,080	6,548
Grants to individuals administered by Leicester Charity Link	15,000	15,000
	<u>£51,955</u>	<u>£53,913</u>

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3. Grants - (continued)

Donations

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
LOROS	5,000	-
Rainbows Hospice for Children & Young People	5,000	-
Hope Against Cancer	2,500	-
John Hegg's Bates Charity For Convalescents	2,000	2,000
Wheelyboat Trust	1,500	-
British Disabled Angling Association	1,235	-
Engineering Development Trust East Midlands	1,200	-
Vista	1,150	-
Leicestershire, Leicester and Rutland Headway	1,000	-
Peter Le Marchant Trust	1,000	-
Young Women's Trust	1,000	1,600
Newlife Charity for Disabled Children	750	500
Oesophageal Patients Association	750	-
Bardi Symphony Orchestra	500	500
Leicestershire Chorale	500	-
Schoolreaders	500	-
Age UK Leicester Shire & Rutland	-	5,000
Leicester Charity Link	-	2,500
Guide Dogs for the Blind Association	-	2,000
Leicester Multiple Sclerosis Therapy Centre	-	2,000
Asthma Relief	-	1,750
Cancer Support UK	-	1,500
Leicester Hospitals Charity	-	1,500
Boost Charitable Trust	-	1,000
Derbyshire, Leicestershire & Rutland Air Ambulance	-	1,000
Hospice Hope	-	1,000
Douglas Bader Foundation	-	900
Leicester Children's Holidays	-	500
	<u>£25,585</u>	<u>£25,250</u>

It is the policy of the Trustees not to disclose details of grants to individuals.

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4. Management and administration of the charity

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Distribution and administration expenses	8,000	8,000
Office expenses	985	1,109
	<u>£8,985</u>	<u>£9,109</u>

All of the above support costs have been allocated to charitable activities.

5. Governance

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Audit fee	£1,500	£1,422

6. Fixed assets

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Capital</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>2021</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>2020</u>
Listed investments				
Market value at 1 June 2020	445,135	718,487	1,163,622	1,378,279
Additions	-	141,561	141,561	-
Disposal proceeds	(26,017)	(135,791)	(161,808)	(87,794)
Net realised gains / (losses)	(391)	12,713	12,322	2,478
Net unrealised gains / (losses)	60,316	97,163	157,479	(129,341)
	<u>£479,043</u>	<u>£834,133</u>	<u>£1,313,176</u>	<u>£1,163,622</u>
Market value as at 31 May 2021				
	<u>£313,517</u>	<u>£686,240</u>	<u>£999,757</u>	<u>£1,048,613</u>

The Trustees consider that there were four material holdings at the year-end:

	Market Value
Law Debenture Corporation plc - 5p ordinary	£122,560
J P Morgan Funds Limited - US Equity Income K	£111,624
AstraZeneca plc - US\$0.25 ordinary	£80,460
Blackrock Fund Managers Limited – Continental European Income D	£78,727

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7. Cash at bank and on deposit

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Capital</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>2021</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>2020</u>
Brewin Dolphin	-	-	-	3,211
Redmayne Bentley	95,423	11,165	106,588	98,333
HSBC current account	2,146		2,146	4,690
HSBC deposit account	77	-	77	77
Market Harborough Building Society	14,492	2,161	16,653	16,606
	<u>£112,138</u>	<u>£13,326</u>	<u>£125,464</u>	<u>£122,917</u>

8. Creditors

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Accrued expenses	£4,355	£1,500

9. Designated funds

Included within the unrestricted income account is the sum of £7,000 designated for two future projects.

10. Trustees remuneration

No Trustee was paid any remuneration or expenses during the year.

11. Related party transactions

Mr P B D Murray, a Trustee of this charity, manages the Market Harborough office of Redmayne Bentley LLP, the stockbroker for the Trust.

Portfolio management fees amounting to £6,078 were charged by Redmayne Bentley LLP during the year.

During the year, the Trust provided a grant of £2,000 to John Hegg Bates Charity For Convalescents, a charity in which Mr H C Stevenson is a Trustee.

A further £6,000, payable in three equal instalments over the next three years, of unrestricted funds has been designated to this project, and is reported in note 9.

Mr Stevenson declared an interest and took no part in the decision to make the awards.