

# THE ERIC W VINCENT TRUST FUND

England & Wales · Charity number 204843

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Other

**Registered** 1962-09-02

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

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** FOR THE BENEFIT PREFERMENT ASSISTANCE OR ADVANCEMENT OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATIONAL CULTURAL OR OTHER CHARITABLE OBJECTS (INCLUDING BUT WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO THE GENERALITY OF THE FOREGOING THE PROMOTION OF THE PHYSICAL MENTAL AND SPIRITUAL BENEFIT AND WELFARE OF YOUNG PERSONS AND THE CARE AND WELFARE OF OLD PEOPLE IN DISTRESS OR NEED).

**Activities:** The Eric W Vincent Trust Fund is a small charity based in and operating in the West Midlands. It makes small grants to local organisations (usually registered charities) and sometimes to disadvantaged individuals in the local area. It does not make grants towards salaries or running costs, or to clear existing debts or outside the local area.

## Classification

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- **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, Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

## Geography

- **Area of benefit:** NATIONAL
- Birmingham City
- Coventry City
- Dudley
- Sandwell
- Solihull
- Walsall
- Wolverhampton

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£57,444	£65,690	-	-
2024-03-31	£57,267	£57,943	-	-
2023-03-31	£58,303	£49,389	-	-
2022-03-31	£48,519	£50,222	-	-
2021-03-31	£247,199	£238,963	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
<b>DOROTHY WILLIAMS</b>	Chair	
ALAN RICHARD BIRCH		
Adam Henshaw		2020-09-16
Caroline Hutton		2025-09-17
MARGARET JOAN HARDING		
MARIANNE MARTA ENGLAND		
MARILYN BENJAMIN		2012-01-17
Rachel Allmark		2024-05-15
STEPHEN GEORGE PERRY		2013-11-18

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# Accounts

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**The Eric W. Vincent Trust Fund**

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## **The Eric W Vincent Trust**

Registered Charity No, 204843

Charity Principal Address: PO Box 17146 Halesowen B62 2LF

### **Trustees' Report for the year ended 31 March 2025**

The trustees present their Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2025 under the Charities Act 2011, together with the accounts for the year.

#### **Trustees:**

The trustees who held office during the year were as follows:

Mrs. D Williams (Chairman)  
Mr S G Perry (Deputy Chairman – Finance)  
Mr A Henshaw (Deputy Chairman – Technology)  
Mrs B H Hill (Deputy Chairman – Grants)  
Mr A R Birch  
Mrs M M England  
Mrs M J Harding  
Mrs M Benjamin  
Mrs R Allmark (Appointed 15 May 2024)  
Mr A Forster (Appointed 15 May 2024; resigned 15 January 2025)

#### **Structure, Governance and Management:**

The charity was established by a trust deed on 22 May 1954. The charity is governed by trustees, who formulate the strategy and policies. None of the trustees receives payment for his or her services. Day-to-day matters are carried out by a paid Clerk to the Trustees, the trust's sole employee.

#### **Objects and Activities:**

The trustees have discretion to apply the income for the benefit, preferment, assistance or advancement of religious, educational, cultural or other charitable objects, including the benefit and welfare of all age groups where need exists. All activities during the year were in making grants available to institutions for their work on projects to benefit the community or to institutions for the welfare and benefit of individuals.

#### **Public Benefit Statement:**

The charity trustees are satisfied that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers and duties. Sixty-three applications from organisations were received, of which eight were rejected. Fifty-three grants were awarded and two were deferred during the March meeting (the trustees required further information) so will appear in the statistics for the next year. Eight grants were awarded to

individuals, one of which was later returned by the sponsoring organization. The total sum awarded in grants was £40,459.47, (£39,426.50 to organisations and £1032.97 to individuals).

During the year the Clerk to the Trustees was able to establish an individual personal contact within each of the most frequent sponsoring bodies of individuals. The applications are now submitted by these individuals and the grants are awarded via them, which has made the process simpler and quicker to operate, so that the awards reach the needy persons more quickly.

**Other Information:**

Two new trustees were appointed at the meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> May 2024, and were warmly welcomed. Unfortunately one of them found it necessary to resign in January 2025 but by the end of the year a possible new trustee had come forward, who will be invited to attend a meeting early in the next financial year.

The trustees continued to hold their regular meetings in May, July, September, November, January and March. Their normal meeting place continued to be Dame Elizabeth Hall, Firbank Close, Birmingham B30 1UA.

The trustees continued to revisit and revise their policies and procedures.

**Reserves:**

It is the policy of the Charity to maintain unrestricted funds, which are the free reserves of the Charity, at a level which equates approximately to one year's unrestricted expenditure. These reserves provide sufficient funds to cover management, administration and support costs as well as enabling the trustees to respond to emergency applications for grants which arise from time to time.

**Signed and approved on behalf of the Trustees**

*Dorothy Williams*

Mrs D Williams, Chairman

*Stephen Perry*

Mr S Perry

Date: 16<sup>th</sup> July 2025

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Income and Expenses Account  
for the year ended 31 March 2025

	2025		2025	2024
	Endowment Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£
<b><u>Income</u></b>				
Investment Income - Dividends and Interest	1,755	55,323	57,078	57,204
- Interest on Cash Deposits	-	366	365.81	63
Legacies				
	<u>1,755</u>	<u>55,689</u>	<u>57,444</u>	<u>57,267</u>
<b><u>Expenses</u></b>				
Grants Payable for individuals (note 1)	-	1,033	1,033	2,025
Grants Payable for institutions (note 1)	-	39,427	39,427	31,789
	<u>-</u>	<u>40,460</u>	<u>40,460</u>	<u>33,814</u>
<b><u>Governance Costs</u></b>				
Portfolio Management Fees	12,752	-	12,752	12,094
Clerk's salary	-	7,320	7,320	6,800
Room Hire	-	113	113	158
PO Box Delivery Annual Fee	-	424	424	396
Printing, postage, stationery and sundries	-	789	789	1,106
Insurance	-	192	192	155
Utilities Allowance	-	216	216	216
Accountancy	-	2,640	2,640	2,520
Payroll Services	-	308	308	389
Bank Charges	-	162	162	160
Subscriptions	-	315	315	135
	<u>12,752</u>	<u>12,479</u>	<u>25,231</u>	<u>24,129</u>
<b>Total Resources Expended</b>	<u>12,752</u>	<u>52,938</u>	<u>65,690</u>	<u>57,943</u>
<b>Net Incoming (Outgoing) Resources for the year</b>	<u>(10,997)</u>	<u>2,751</u>	<u>(8246)</u>	<u>(676)</u>
<b><u>Gains (Losses) on Investment Assets – Over opening market value</u></b>				
Realised	50,776	-	50,776	(2,545)
Unrealised	(2,820)	-	(2,820)	96,976
	<u>47,956</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>47,956</u>	<u>94,431</u>
<b>Net Surplus (Deficit)</b>	<u>36,959</u>	<u>2,751</u>	<u>39,710</u>	<u>93,755</u>
<b>Reserves Brought Forward</b>	<u>1,802,621</u>	<u>102,415</u>	<u>1,905,036</u>	<u>1,811,281</u>
<b>Reserves Carried Forward</b>	<u>1,839,580</u>	<u>105,166</u>	<u>1,944,746</u>	<u>1,905,036</u>

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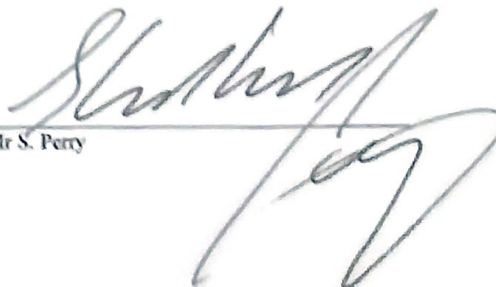
Statement of Assets and Liabilities  
for the year ended 31 March 2025

	2025		2024	
	£	£	£	£
<b>Bank and Cash Balances</b>				
Bank Current Account	12,755		94,000	
Savings Account	35,366		-	
Cash in hand	11		58	
Investment Fund Cash Deposits				
- Client Account	10,914		24,213	
- Income Account	7,034		8,357	
- Non Managed Portfolio Cash	<u>936</u>		<u>-</u>	
<b>Total Cash Balances</b>		67,016		126,628
- Endowment Fund	11,850		24,213	
- Unrestricted	<u>55,166</u>		<u>102,415</u>	
<b>Investment Assets – Endowment Funds (note 2)</b>				
Investment Fund – Investments Held		1,877,730		1,778,408
<b>Total assets</b>		<u>1,944,746</u>		<u>1,905,036</u>
<b>Reserves</b>				
Endowment Reserve		1,889,580		1,802,621
Unrestricted Reserve		<u>55,166</u>		<u>102,415</u>
		<u>1,944,746</u>		<u>1,905,036</u>

The trustees approve the financial information which comprises the Income and Expenses account, Statement of Assets and Liabilities and the related notes. They acknowledge their responsibility for the compilation of the financial information.

Signed and Approved on Behalf of the Trustees

  
Mrs D. Williams - Chairman

  
Mr S. Perry

Date: 16<sup>th</sup> July 2025

The Eric W. Vincent Trust Fund  
Notes to the accounts  
for the year ended 31 March 2025

1. Grants Payable

The number of grants awarded and amounts payable in the year were as follows:

	2025		2024	
	no	£	no	£
For the benefit of institutions	53	39,427	49	31,789
For the benefit of individuals	7	1,033	14	2,025
	<u>60</u>	<u>40,460</u>	<u>63</u>	<u>33,814</u>
Grants paid in the year	<u>60</u>	<u>40,460</u>	<u>63</u>	<u>33,814</u>

There were two further grant applications which were deferred pending the receipt of further information

2. Investment Portfolio - Investments held

	Year ended 31 March 2025	Year ended 31 March 2024
	£	£
Market Value Brought Forward at 1 April	1,778,408	1,650,001
Acquisitions	371,905	294,479
Sale Proceeds	(320,539)	(260,503)
Gain in Market Value on Disposals	50,776	(2,545)
Gain (Loss) in Market Value on Investments Retained	(2,820)	96,976
Market Value Carried Forward at 31 March	<u>1,877,730</u>	<u>1,778,408</u>

**Independent Examiner's Report to the  
The Eric W. Vincent Trust Fund (registered charity no. 204843)  
on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025 set out on pages 3 to 5**

**Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and the Examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144 (2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is our responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 145 of the Act);
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

**Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement**

Our examination was carried out in accordance with general directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and therefore we do not express an audit opinion on the accounts as to whether the accounts show a true and fair view. The report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent Examiner's Statement**

In the course of our examination, no matter has come to our attention,

- i) which gives us reasonable cause to believe, that in any material respect, the trustees have not met the requirements to ensure that:
  - proper accounting records are kept (in accordance with section 130 of the Act) and
  - accounts are prepared which agree with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the act; or
- ii) to which in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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**Katherine Jones**  
**Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales**  
**Cutter & Co. Ltd**  
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**Bromsgrove**  
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**B60 2LE**

Date: 16/7/25.

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## **The Eric W. Vincent Trust Fund**

Registered Charity No. 204843  
Trustees' Report for the year ended 31 March 2024  
Charity Principal Address: PO Box 17146 Halesowen B62 2LF

The trustees present their annual report for the year ended 31 March 2024 under the Charities Act 2011, together with the accounts for the year.

### **Trustees:**

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Mr S G Perry (Deputy Chairman – Finance)  
Mr A Henshaw (Deputy Chairman – Technology)  
Mrs B H Hill (Deputy Chairman – Grants)  
Mr A R Birch  
Mrs M M England  
Mrs M J Harding  
Mrs M Benjamin  
Mr P Stobbs (resigned 19 July 2023)  
Ms S Worrall (resigned 15 November 2023)

### **Structure, Governance and Management:**

The charity was established by a trust deed on 22 May 1954. The charity is governed by trustees who formulate the strategy and policies. None of the trustees receives payment for his or her services. Day-to-day matters are conducted by a paid Clerk to the Trustees, the trust's sole employee.

### **Objects and Activities:**

The trustees have discretion to apply the income for the benefit, preferment, assistance or advancement of religious, educational, cultural or other charitable objects, including the benefit and welfare of all age groups where need exists. All the activities during the year were in making grants available to institutions for their work on projects to benefit the community or to institutions for the welfare and benefit of individuals.

### **Public Benefit Statement:**

The charity trustees are satisfied that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission, in exercising their powers and duties. Sixty-three grants (12 more than during the previous year) were made to institutions for their charitable causes, ranging between £258 and £1,000. One application was rejected and three were deferred. Fourteen grants (nine more than the previous year) were given to institutions for the benefit of individuals, ranging between £100 and £175. The total paid out in grants during the year was £33,814.00 (£31,789.00 to organisations and £2,025.00 to individuals) as shown in the notes to the accounts. The trustees were concerned during the previous year that the number of applications was dropping, but this concern is no longer appropriate. The Clerk's investigations disclosed many staff changes in organisations which had applied to the trust from time to time, and other changes which had arisen because of the pandemic.

## The Eric W. Vincent Trust Fund

### Other Information:

The trustees reluctantly accepted the resignations of two of their number because both were now based mainly outside our area, one for family reasons and one for professional reasons. We were sad to see them go, and very grateful for their contributions during their terms as trustees. By the end of the financial year two potential replacement trustees had been identified and they were appointed at the first meeting of the new financial year, in May 2024.

The trustees continued to hold their regular meetings, May, April, September and March in person at Dame Elizabeth Hall, Firbank Close, B30 1UA, and November and January remotely.

They have continued to review their policies and intend major revisions during the next financial year.

During the year the Trust's website was activated, after some issues resolved by Mr Henshaw. The address is: [www.ericwvincenttrust.org](http://www.ericwvincenttrust.org) The Trust also has a new email address: [info@ericwvincenttrust.org](mailto:info@ericwvincenttrust.org)

### Reserves:

It is the policy of the Charity to maintain unrestricted funds, which are the free reserves for the Charity, at a level which equates approximately to one year's unrestricted expenditure. These reserves provide sufficient funds to cover management, administration and support costs and also to enable the Trust to respond to emergency applications for grants which arise from time to time.

**The Eric W. Vincent Trust Fund**

**Income and Expenses Account  
for the year ended 31 March 2024**

	2024	2024	2024	2023
	Endowment	Unrestricted	Total	Total
	Funds	Funds		
	£	£	£	£
<b><u>Income</u></b>				
Investment Income - Dividends and Interest	814	56,390	57,204	58,669
- Interest on Cash Deposits	-	63	63	-
Legacies	-	-	-	-
	814	56,453	57,267	58,669
<b><u>Expenses</u></b>				
Grants Payable for individuals (note 1)	-	2,025	2,025	625
Grants Payable for institutions (note 1)	-	31,789	31,789	26,065
	-	33,814	33,814	26,690
 <b><u>Governance Costs</u></b>				
Portfolio Management Fees	12,094	-	12,094	12,422
Clerk's salary	-	6,800	6,800	6,100
Room Hire	-	158	158	160
PO Box Delivery Annual Fee	-	396	396	378
Printing, postage, stationery and sundries	-	1,106	1,106	198
Insurance	-	155	155	155
Utilities Allowance	-	216	216	216
Travel Expenses	-	-	-	20
Accountancy	-	2,520	2,520	2,400
Payroll Services	-	389	389	359
Bank Charges	-	160	160	169
Subscriptions	-	135	135	122
	12,094	12,035	24,129	22,699
<b>Total Resources Expended</b>	12,094	45,849	57,943	49,389
<b>Net Incoming (Outgoing) Resources for the year</b>	(11,280)	10,604	(676)	9,280
 <b><u>Gains (Losses) on Investment Assets – Over opening market value</u></b>				
Realised	(2,545)	0	(2,545)	78,016
Unrealised	96,976	0	96,976	(204,531)
	94,431	0	94,431	(126,515)
Net Surplus (Deficit)	83,151	10,604	93,755	(117,235)
Reserves Brought Forward	1,719,470	91,811	1,811,281	1,928,516
<b>Reserves Carried Forward</b>	1,802,621	102,415	1,905,036	1,811,281

**The Eric W. Vincent Trust Fund**

**Statement of Assets and Liabilities  
for the year ended 31 March 2024**

	2024		2023	
	£	£	£	£
<b>Bank and Cash Balances</b>				
Bank Account	94,000		82,963	
Cash in hand	58		45	
Investment Fund Cash Deposits				
- Client Account	24,213		69,469	
- Income Account	<u>8,357</u>		<u>8,803</u>	
<b>Total Cash Balances</b>		<b>126,628</b>		<b>161,280</b>
- Endowment Fund	24,213		69,469	
- Unrestricted	<u>102,415</u>		<u>91,811</u>	
<b>Investment Assets – Endowment Funds (note 2)</b>				
Investment Fund – Investments Held		1,778,408		1,650,001
<b>Total assets</b>		<u><u>1,905,036</u></u>		<u><u>1,811,281</u></u>
<b>Reserves</b>				
Endowment Reserve		1,802,621		1,719,470
Unrestricted Reserve		<u>102,415</u>		<u>91,811</u>
		<u><u>1,905,036</u></u>		<u><u>1,811,281</u></u>

The trustees approve the financial information which comprises the Income and Expenses account, Statement of Assets and Liabilities and the related notes. They acknowledge their responsibility for the compilation of the financial information.

**Signed and Approved on Behalf of the Trustees**

*Dorothy Williams*  
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 Mrs D. Williams - Chairman

*Mr S. Perry*  
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 Mr S. Perry

Date: 17<sup>th</sup> January 2025

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**The Eric W. Vincent Trust Fund**  
**Notes to the accounts**  
**for the year ended 31 March 2024**

**1. Grants Payable**

The number of grants awarded and amounts payable in the year were as follows:

	<b>2024</b>		<b>2023</b>	
	<b>no</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>no</b>	<b>£</b>
For the benefit of institutions	49	31,789	46	26,065
For the benefit of individuals	14	2,025	5	625
	<u>63</u>	<u>33,814</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>26,690</u>
Grants paid in the year	<u>63</u>	<u>33,814</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>26,690</u>

By the end of the current year, all grants authorised and committed to, were paid.

**2. Investment Portfolio - Investments held**

	<b>Year ended</b>	<b>Year ended</b>
	<b>31 March</b>	<b>31 March</b>
	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Market Value Brought Forward at 1 April	1,650,001	1,790,409
Acquisitions	294,479	201,380
Sale Proceeds	(260,503)	(215,273)
Gain in Market Value on Disposals	(2,545)	78,016
Gain (Loss) in Market Value on Investments Retained	96,976	(204,531)
Market Value Carried Forward at 31 March	<u>1,778,408</u>	<u>1,650,001</u>

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It is our responsibility to:

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In the course of our examination, no matter has come to our attention,

- i) which gives us reasonable cause to believe, that in any material respect, the trustees have not met the requirements to ensure that:
  - proper accounting records are kept (in accordance with section 130 of the Act) and
  - accounts are prepared which agree with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the act; or
- ii) to which in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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**Katherine Jones**  
**Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales**  
**Cutter & Co. Ltd**  
**140 New Road**  
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**B60 2LE**

**Date:**

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### **Objects and Activities:**

The trustees have discretion to apply the income for the benefit, preferment, assistance, or advancement of religious, educational, cultural or other charitable objects, including the benefit and welfare of all age groups where need exists. All the activities during the year were in making grants available to institutions for their work on projects to benefit the community or to institutions for the welfare and benefit of individuals.

### **Public Benefit Statement:**

The Charity trustees are satisfied that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission, in exercising their powers and duties. Forty-six grants were made to institutions for their charitable causes, ranging between £350 and £1,000. Three applications were rejected and two were deferred. Five grants were made to institutions for the benefit of individuals, each of £125. The total paid out in grants during the year was £26,690.00 (£26,065.00 to organisations and £625.00 to individuals), as shown in the notes to the accounts. The trustees have seen a significant decrease in the number of grant applications on behalf of individuals. The Clerk to the Trustees is investigating the reasons for this. Five applications from one organisation were challenged because of their vagueness and four were immediately withdrawn. The other is still pending.

## **The Eric W. Vincent Trust Fund**

### **Other Information:**

The trustees continued to hold their regular meetings throughout the year, the November and January meetings on Zoom and the May, July, September, and March meetings in Dame Elizabeth Hall, Firbank Close, B30 1UA.

During the year the trustees have reconsidered their policies on equality, diversity and inclusion and are constantly in mind of the need to be vigilant.

The trustees have commissioned a simple website for the trust, and hope that it will be launched during the next financial year.

### **Reserves:**

It is the policy of the Charity to maintain unrestricted funds, which are the free reserves for the Charity, at a level which equates approximately to one year's unrestricted expenditure. These reserves provide sufficient funds to cover management, administration, and support costs and also to respond to emergency applications for grants which arise from time to time.

**The Eric W. Vincent Trust Fund**

**Receipts and Payments Account  
for the year ended 31 March 2023**

	2023		2023	2022
	Endowment	Unrestricted	Total	Total
	Funds	Funds		
<u>Receipts</u>	£	£	£	£
Investment Income - Dividends and Interest	366	58,303	58,669	48,809
Legacies	-	-	-	-
	366	58,303	58,669	48,809
Investment Portfolio Fund Sales	215,273	-	215,273	70,673
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>215,639</b>	<b>58,303</b>	<b>273,942</b>	<b>119,482</b>
 <u>Payments</u>				
 <u>Grants Paid</u>				
Grants Paid for individuals (note 1)	-	625	625	3,075
Grants Paid for institutions (note 1)	-	26,065	26,065	28,304
	-	26,690	26,690	31,379
 <u>Governance Costs</u>				
Portfolio Management Fees	12,422	-	12,422	12,815
Clerk's salary	-	6,100	6,100	5,500
Room Hire	-	160	160	80
PO Box Delivery Annual Fee	-	378	378	360
Printing, postage, stationery and sundries	-	198	198	122
Insurance	-	155	155	151
Utilities Allowance	-	216	216	180
Independent Examiner's Fees	-	2,400	2,400	2,370
Payroll Services	-	359	359	398
Bank Charges	-	169	169	170
Subscriptions	-	122	122	106
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-
	12,422	10,277	22,699	22,252
Investment Portfolio Fund Purchases	201,380	-	201,380	66,477
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>213,802</b>	<b>36,967</b>	<b>250,769</b>	<b>120,108</b>
 <b>Net Receipts (Payments) for the year</b>	 <b>1,837</b>	 <b>21,336</b>	 <b>23,173</b>	 <b>(626)</b>
 <u>Bank and Cash Balances</u>				
Brought Forward	67,632	70,475	138,107	138,733
<b>Carried Forward</b>	<b>69,469</b>	<b>91,811</b>	<b>161,280</b>	<b>138,107</b>

**The Eric W. Vincent Trust Fund**

**Statement of Assets and Liabilities  
as at 31 March 2023**

	2023		2022	
	£	£	£	£
<b>Bank and Cash Balances</b>				
Bank Account	82,963		63,010	
Cash in hand	45		64	
Investment Fund Cash Deposits				
- Client Account	69,469		67,632	
- Income Account	<u>8,803</u>		<u>7,401</u>	
<b>Total Cash Balances</b>		<b>161,280</b>		<b>138,107</b>
- Endowment Fund	69,469		67,632	
- Unrestricted	<u>91,811</u>		<u>70,475</u>	
<b>Investment Assets – Endowment Funds (note 2)</b>				
Investment Fund – Investments Held		1,650,001		1,790,409
<b>Total assets</b>		<u><u>1,811,281</u></u>		<u><u>1,928,516</u></u>
<b>Reserves</b>				
Endowment Reserve		1,719,470		1,858,041
Unrestricted Reserve		<u>91,811</u>		<u>70,475</u>
		<u><u>1,811,281</u></u>		<u><u>1,928,516</u></u>

The trustees approve the financial information which comprises the receipts and payments account, balance sheet and the related notes. They acknowledge their responsibility for the compilation of the financial information.

**Signed and Approved on Behalf of the Trustees**

  
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 Mrs D. Williams - Chairman

  
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 Mr S. Perry

**Date: 19 July 2023**

**The Eric W. Vincent Trust Fund**  
**Notes to the accounts**  
**for the year ended 31 March 2023**

**1. Grants Payable**

The number of grants awarded and amounts payable in the year were as follows:

	<b>2023</b>		<b>2022</b>	
	<b>no</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>no</b>	<b>£</b>
For the benefit of institutions	45	26,065	47	28,304
For the benefit of individuals	5	625	23	3,075
	<u>50</u>	<u>26,690</u>	<u>70</u>	<u>31,379</u>
Grants paid in the year	<u>50</u>	<u>26,690</u>	<u>70</u>	<u>31,379</u>

By the end of the current year, all grants authorised and committed to, were paid.

**2. Investment Portfolio - Investments held**

	<b>Year ended</b>	<b>Year ended</b>
	<b>31 March</b>	<b>31 March</b>
	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Market Value Brought Forward at 1 April	1,790,409	1,667,567
Acquisitions	201,380	66,477
Sale Proceeds	(215,273)	(70,673)
Gain in Market Value on Disposals	78,016	21,877
Gain (Loss) in Market Value on Investments Retained	(204,531)	105,161
Market Value Carried Forward at 31 March	<u>1,650,001</u>	<u>1,790,409</u>

**Independent Examiner's Report to the  
The Eric W. Vincent Trust Fund (registered charity no. 204843)  
on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023 set out on pages 3 to 5**

**Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and the Examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144 (2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is our responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 145 of the Act);
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

**Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement**

Our examination was carried out in accordance with general directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and therefore we do not express an audit opinion on the accounts as to whether the accounts show a true and fair view. The report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent Examiner's Statement**

In the course of our examination, no matter has come to our attention,

- i) which gives us reasonable cause to believe, that in any material respect, the trustees have not met the requirements to ensure that:
  - proper accounting records are kept (in accordance with section 130 of the Act) and
  - accounts are prepared which agree with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the act; or
- ii) to which in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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**Katherine Jones**  
**Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales**  
**Cutter & Co. Ltd**  
**140 New Road**  
**Aston Fields**  
**Bromsgrove**  
**Worcs.**  
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**Date: 19 July 2023**

**THE ERIC W VINCENT TRUST FUND**

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**The Eric W. Vincent Trust Fund**

**Registered Charity no. 204843**

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## **The Eric W. Vincent Trust Fund**

Registered Charity No. 204843

Trustees' Report for the year ended 31st March 2022

Charity Principal Address: PO Box 17146 Halesowen B62 2LF

The trustees present their annual report for the year ended 31st March 2022 under the Charities Act 2011, together with the accounts for the year.

### **Trustees:**

The trustees who held office during the year were as follows:

Mrs D Williams (Chairman)  
Mr S G Perry (Deputy Chairman)  
Mr A R Birch  
Mrs M M England  
Mrs M J Harding  
Mrs M Benjamin  
Mr P Stobbs  
Mrs B H Hill  
Ms S Worrall  
Mr A Henshaw

### **Structure, Governance and Management:**

The Charity was established by a trust deed on 22nd May 1954. The Charity is governed by trustees who formulate the strategy and policies. New trustees are elected at trustee meetings. None of the trustees receives payment for their services. Day-to-day matters are conducted by a paid Clerk to the Trustees.

### **Objects and Activities:**

The trustees have discretion to apply the income for the benefit, preferment, assistance or advancement of religious, educational, cultural or other charitable objects, including the benefit and welfare of all age groups where need exists. All the activities during the year were in making grants available to institutions for their work on projects or to institutions for the welfare and benefit of individuals.

### **Public Benefit Statement:**

The Charity trustees are satisfied that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission, in exercising their powers and duties. Forty-seven grants were made to institutions for their charitable causes, ranging between £350 and £1000. Twenty-three grants were made to institutions for the benefit of individuals, ranging between £100 and £150. The total paid out in grants during the year was £31,379.26, (£28,304.26 to organisations and £3075.00 to individuals), as shown in the notes to the accounts. The trustees were encouraged to see the increased number of grant applications following the relaxation of precautions and restrictions resulting from the pandemic.

The trustees continued to hold their regular meetings throughout the year, some on Zoom and some face to face. We needed to find a new meeting place as our previous venue has changed its booking policy for external organisations, and we are now happily settled in Dame Elizabeth Hall, Firbank Close, B30 1UA, for four of our six meetings each year. At the request of trustees who have a distance to travel to meetings it has been decided that our meetings in November and January will continue to be held on Zoom.

### **Reserves:**

It is the policy of the Charity to maintain unrestricted funds, which are the free reserves for the Charity, at a level which equates approximately to six months' unrestricted expenditure. These reserves provide sufficient funds to cover management, administration and support costs and also to respond to emergency applications for grants which arise from time to time.

The Eric W. Vincent Trust Fund

Receipts and Payments Account  
for the year ended 31 March 2022

	2022		2022	2021
	Endowment	Unrestricted	Total	Total
	Funds	Funds		
	£	£	£	£
<b>Receipts</b>				
Investment Income - Dividends and Interest	290	48,519	48,809	44,199
Legacies	-	-	-	-
	<u>290</u>	<u>48,519</u>	<u>48,809</u>	<u>44,199</u>
Investment Portfolio Fund Sales	70,673	-	70,673	246,489
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>70,963</b>	<b>48,519</b>	<b>119,482</b>	<b>290,688</b>
<b>Payments</b>				
<u>Grants Paid</u>				
Grants Paid for individuals (note 1)	-	3,075	3,075	1,650
Grants Paid for institutions (note 1)	-	28,304	28,804	22,889
	<u>-</u>	<u>31,379</u>	<u>31,379</u>	<u>24,539</u>
<u>Governance Costs</u>				
Portfolio Management Fees	3,409	9,406	12,815	10,627
Clerk's salary	-	5,500	5,500	5,000
Room Hire	-	80	80	-
PO Box Delivery Annual Fee	-	360	360	353
Printing, postage, stationery and sundries	-	122	122	286
Insurance	-	151	151	151
Utilities Allowance	-	180	180	216
Independent Examiner's Fees	-	2,370	2,370	2,328
Payroll Services	-	398	398	119
Bank Charges	-	170	170	136
Subscriptions	-	106	106	105
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-
	<u>3,409</u>	<u>18,843</u>	<u>22,252</u>	<u>19,321</u>
Investment Portfolio Fund Purchases	66,477	-	66,477	238,891
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>69,886</b>	<b>50,222</b>	<b>120,108</b>	<b>282,751</b>
<b>Net Receipts (Payments) for the year</b>	<b>1,077</b>	<b>(1,703)</b>	<b>(626)</b>	<b>7,937</b>
<b>Bank and Cash Balances</b>				
Brought Forward	66,555	72,178	138,733	130,796
<b>Carried Forward</b>	<b>67,632</b>	<b>70,475</b>	<b>138,107</b>	<b>138,733</b>

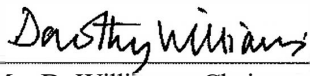
The Eric W. Vincent Trust Fund

Statement of Assets and Liabilities  
as at 31 March 2022

	2022		2021	
	£	£	£	£
<b><u>Bank and Cash Balances</u></b>				
Bank Account	63,010		64,621	
Cash in hand	64		86	
Investment Fund Cash Deposits				
- Client Account	67,632		66,555	
- Income Account	7,401		7,471	
<b>Total Cash Balances</b>		<u>138,107</u>		<u>138,733</u>
- Endowment Fund (Investment Fund)	67,632		66,555	
- Unrestricted	70,475		72,178	
<b>Investment Assets - Endowment Funds (note 2)</b>				
Investment Fund - Investments Held		<u>1,790,409</u>		<u>1,667,567</u>

The trustees approve the financial information which comprises the receipts and payments account, balance sheet and the related notes. They acknowledge their responsibility for the compilation of the financial information.

Signed and Approved on Behalf of the Trustees

  
Mrs D. Williams - Chairman

  
Mr S. Perry

Date: 20<sup>th</sup> July 2022

**The Eric W. Vincent Trust Fund**  
**Notes to the accounts**  
**for the year ended 31 March 2022**

**1. Grants Payable**

The number of grants awarded and amounts payable in the year were as follows:

	<b>2022</b>		<b>2021</b>	
	no	£	no	£
For the benefit of institutions	47	28,304	42	22,889
For the benefit of individuals	23	3,075	9	1,650
	<u>70</u>	<u>31,379</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>24,539</u>
Grants paid in the year	<u>70</u>	<u>31,379</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>24,539</u>

By the end of the current year, all grants authorised and committed to, were paid.

**2. Investment Portfolio - Investments held**

	<b>Year ended</b>	<b>Year ended</b>
	<b>31 March</b>	<b>31 March</b>
	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	£	£
Market Value Brought Forward at 1 <sup>st</sup> April	1,667,567	1,355,396
Acquisitions	66,477	238,891
Sale Proceeds	(70,673)	(246,489)
Gain in Market Value on Disposals	21,877	45,189
Gain (Loss) in Market Value on Investments Retained	105,161	274,850
Market Value Carried Forward at 31 <sup>st</sup> March	<u>1,790,409</u>	<u>1,667,567</u>

**Independent Examiner's Report to the  
The Eric W. Vincent Trust Fund (registered charity no. 204843)  
on the accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022 set out on pages 3 to 5**

**Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and the Examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144 (2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is our responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 145 of the Act);
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

**Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement**

Our examination was carried out in accordance with general directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and therefore we do not express an audit opinion on the accounts as to whether the accounts show a true and fair view. The report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent Examiner's Statement**

In the course of our examination, no matter has come to our attention,

- i) which gives us reasonable cause to believe, that in any material respect, the trustees have not met the requirements to ensure that:
  - proper accounting records are kept (in accordance with section 130 of the Act) and
  - accounts are prepared which agree with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the act; or
- ii) to which in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



**Katherine Jones**  
**Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales**  
**Cutter & Co. Ltd trading as Martin G. Clark & Co.**  
**140 New Road**  
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**B60 2LE**

**Date:** 20<sup>th</sup> July 2022

**THE ERIC W VINCENT TRUST FUND**

England & Wales - Charity number 204843

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**The Eric W. Vincent Trust Fund**

**Registered Charity no. 204843**

**Trustee Report and Accounts**

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**The The Eric W Vincent Trust  
Registered Charity No. 204843**

**Trustees' Report  
for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021**

Charity Principal Address: PO Box 17146  
Halesowen  
B62 2LF

The trustees present their annual report for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021 under the Charities Act 2011, together with the accounts for the year.

Trustees

The trustees who held office during the year were as follows:

Mrs D Williams (Chairman)  
Mr S G Perry (Deputy Chairman)  
Mr A R Birch  
Mrs M M England  
Mrs M J Harding  
Mrs M Benjamin  
Mr P Stobbs  
Mrs B H Hill  
Ms S Worrall  
Mr A Henshaw (elected 20<sup>th</sup> September 2020)

Structure, Governance and Management

The Charity was established by a trust deed on 22<sup>nd</sup> May 1954. The Charity is governed by trustees who formulate the strategy and policies. New trustees are elected at trustee meetings. None of the trustees receive payment for their services. Day-to-day matters are conducted by a paid clerk to the trustees.

Objects and Activities

The trustees have discretion to apply the income for the benefit, preferment, assistance or advancement of religious, educational, cultural or other charitable objects, including the benefit and welfare of all age groups where need exists.

All the activities during the year were in making grants available to institutions for their work on projects or to institutions for the welfare and benefit of individuals.

Public Benefit Statement

The Charity trustees are satisfied that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission, in exercising their powers and duties.

Forty-two grants were made to institutions for their charitable causes, ranging between £250 and £1000.

**The The Eric W Vincent Trust  
Registered Charity No. 204843**

**Trustees' Report  
for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021**

Nine grants were made to institutions for the benefit of individuals, ranging between £100 and £150.

The total paid out in grants during the year was £24,539, as shown in the notes to the accounts. There were twelve fewer successful applications than during the previous year, possibly as a result of restricted activity of institutions and their individual members of staff during lockdowns.

The trustees continued to hold their regular meetings despite the restrictions resulting from the pandemic. Two meetings took place via telephone conference calls and the other four by Zoom group meetings.

Reserves

It is the policy of the Charity to maintain unrestricted funds, which are the free reserves for the Charity, at a level which equates approximately to six months' unrestricted expenditure. These reserves provide sufficient funds to cover management, administration and support costs and also to respond to emergency applications for grants which arise from time to time.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf:

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Mrs D Williams

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Mr S G Perry

Date approved: \_\_\_\_\_

**The Eric W. Vincent Trust Fund**

**Receipts and Payments Account  
for the year ended 31 March 2021**

	2021	2021	2021	2020
	Endowment	Unrestricted	Total	Total
	Funds	Funds		
	£	£	£	£
<b><u>Receipts</u></b>				
Investment Income - Dividends and Interest	710	43,489	44,199	57,484
Legacies	-	-	-	-
	710	43,489	44,199	57,484
Investment Portfolio Fund Sales	246,489	-	246,489	490,376
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>247,199</b>	<b>43,489</b>	<b>290,688</b>	<b>547,860</b>
 <b><u>Payments</u></b>				
<b><u>Grants Paid</u></b>				
Grants Paid for individuals (note 1)	-	1,650	1,650	1,200
Grants Paid for institutions (note 1)	-	22,889	22,889	30,077
	-	24,539	24,539	31,277
<b><u>Governance Costs</u></b>				
Portfolio Management Fees	72	10,555	10,627	11,915
Clerk's salary	-	5,000	5,000	4,581
Room Hire	-	-	-	125
PO Box Delivery Annual Fee	-	353	353	342
Printing, postage, stationery and sundries	-	286	286	177
Insurance	-	151	151	151
Utilities Allowance	-	216	216	216
Independent Examiner's Fees	-	2,328	2,328	2,262
Payroll Services	-	119	119	119
Bank Charges	-	136	136	149
Subscriptions	-	105	105	102
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-
	72	19,249	19,321	20,139
Investment Portfolio Fund Purchases	238,891	-	238,891	501,741
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>238,963</b>	<b>43,788</b>	<b>282,751</b>	<b>553,157</b>
 <b>Net Receipts (Payments) for the year</b>	<b>8,236</b>	<b>(299)</b>	<b>7,937</b>	<b>(5,297)</b>
<b><u>Bank and Cash Balances</u></b>				
Brought Forward	58,319	72,477	130,796	136,093
<b>Carried Forward</b>	<b>66,555</b>	<b>72,178</b>	<b>138,733</b>	<b>130,796</b>

**The Eric W. Vincent Trust Fund**

**Statement of Assets and Liabilities  
as at 31 March 2021**

	2021		2020	
	£	£	£	£
<b><u>Bank and Cash Balances</u></b>				
Bank Account	64,621		64,870	
Cash in hand	86		72	
Investment Fund Cash Deposits				
- Client Account	66,555		58,319	
- Income Account	7,471		7,535	
<b>Total Cash Balances</b>	<u>          </u>	<u>138,733</u>	<u>          </u>	<u>130,796</u>
- Endowment Fund (Investment Fund)	66,555		58,319	
- Unrestricted	72,178		72,477	
	<u>          </u>		<u>          </u>	
<b>Investment Assets – Endowment Funds (note 2)</b>				
Investment Fund – Investments Held		<u>1,667,567</u>		<u>1,355,396</u>

The trustees approve the financial information which comprises the receipts and payments account, balance sheet and the related notes. They acknowledge their responsibility for the compilation of the financial information.

**Signed and Approved on Behalf of the Trustees**

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Mrs D. Williams - Chairman

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Mr S. Perry

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**The Eric W. Vincent Trust Fund**  
**Notes to the accounts**  
**for the year ended 31 March 2021**

**1. Grants Payable**

The number of grants awarded and amounts payable in the year were as follows:

	<b>2021</b>		<b>2020</b>	
	<b>no</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>no</b>	<b>£</b>
For the benefit of institutions	42	22,889	57	30,077
For the benefit of individuals *	9	1,650	6	875
	<u>51</u>	<u>24,539</u>	<u>63</u>	<u>30,952</u>
Grants paid in the year	<u>51</u>	<u>24,539</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>31,277</u>

\* In 2020, 9 grants were made for the benefit of individuals, but one was not taken up and 2 were returned from the previous year.

By the end of the current year, all grants authorised and committed to, were paid.

**2. Investment Portfolio - Investments held**

	<b>Year ended</b>	<b>Year ended</b>
	<b>31 March</b>	<b>31 March</b>
	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Market Value Brought Forward at 1 <sup>st</sup> April	1,355,396	1,555,020
Acquisitions	238,891	501,741
Sale Proceeds	(246,488)	(490,376)
Gain in Market Value on Disposals	45,188	3,736
Gain (Loss) in Market Value on Investments Retained	274,580	(214,725)
Market Value Carried Forward at 31 <sup>st</sup> March	<u>1,667,567</u>	<u>1,355,396</u>

**Independent Examiner's Report to the  
The Eric W. Vincent Trust Fund (registered charity no. 204843)  
on the accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021 set out on pages 3 to 5**

**Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and the Examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144 (2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is our responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 145 of the Act);
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

**Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement**

Our examination was carried out in accordance with general directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and therefore we do not express an audit opinion on the accounts as to whether the accounts show a true and fair view. The report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent Examiner's Statement**

In the course of our examination, no matter has come to our attention,

- i) which gives us reasonable cause to believe, that in any material respect, the trustees have not met the requirements to ensure that:
  - proper accounting records are kept (in accordance with section 130 of the Act) and
  - accounts are prepared which agree with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the act; or
- ii) to which in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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**Date:** 21 July 2021