

GILBERT MURRAY TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 212244

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1963-01-18

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

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Activities

Objects: (A) TO PROMOTE THE STUDY OF ANCIENT GREEK LITERATURE AND THOUGHT AND THE PROPAGATION OF HELLENIC CULTURE; (B) TO PROMOTE WITH THE HELP OF TRAVELLING FELLOWSHIPS, SCHOLARSHIPS, GRANTS OR OTHER MEANS OF THE STUDY OF THE PURPOSES AND WORK OF THE UNITED NATIONS; (C) TO TAKE SUCH ACTION AS THEY MAY THINK FIT FOR THE COLLECTION OF FURTHER FUNDS TO CARRY OUT THE PURPOSES SET OUT IN 2(A) AND 2(B) ABOVE

Activities: The Trust makes grants and awards to promote the understanding of classical Greek language and and culture and the study of the purposes and work of the United Nations.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations
- **What:** Education/training, Arts/culture/heritage/science
- **Who:** Children/young People, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, Other Defined Groups

Geography

- Northern Ireland
- Scotland
- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-05	£7,568	£2,591	-	-
2024-04-05	£40,736	£8,372	-	-
2023-04-05	£14,697	£9,360	-	-
2022-04-05	£6,701	£8,675	-	-
2021-04-05	£14,369	£4,249	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Mary Louisa Jenkins	Chair	2023-09-06
DR MARY ROSE WYLES		2020-12-07
Dr Emma Bridges		2016-07-12
Dr Gabriel Bodard		2017-06-17
Dr Jeremy Larkins		2016-07-17
Dr Peter Wilson		
PROFESSOR MICHAEL BURNEY TRAPP MA DPHIL		
PROFESSOR MIKE EDWARDS		
Prof Andrew Donald Morrison		2024-01-01
Prof Phillip Horky		2017-07-01
Professor Edward Keene		2014-07-07
Professor FIONA MACINTOSH		
Professor Katherine Harloe		2022-07-04
Professor Richard Alston		2015-07-01

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS
For the year ended 5 April 2024

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS	As at 5 April 2019	As at 5 April 2020	As at 5 April 2021	As at 5 April 2022	As at 5 April 2023	As at 5 April 2024
	£	£	£	£		
Receipts (Income)						
Dividends and interest received on investment	£7,405	£6,992	£5,253	£5,505.76	£5,912.71	£5,710.68
Royalties and copyright income	£614	£1,801	£572	£1,099	£669	£3,972
Sundries (cert. holding fee)	£15	£15	£15	£15	£15	£15
Total	£8,034	£8,808	£5,840	£6,619	£6,596	£9,698
Profit/(loss) on sale of investments	-£3,045	£586	£8,529	-.£5	£7,584	£31,017
Other realised movement in asset values				£87	£517	
Accountancy adjustment	£10					£21
TOTAL INCOME	£4,999	£9,394	£14,369	£6,701	£14,697	£40,736
Expenditure						
<i>Awards</i>						
Classical	£4,245	£3,812	£1,950	£3,700	£3,900	£2,300
Less: Grant from the British Academy		-£800	£0	-£400	-£400	£0
UN	£2,500	£3,900	£0	£2,842	£3,400	£4,000
Total	£6,745	£6,912	£1,950	£6,142	£6,900	£6,300
<i>Other expenditures</i>						
Bank charges and other sundry costs (cert. holding fee)	£25	£15	£15	£15	£15	£15
Asset manager's fees	£1,819	£1,955	£1,960	£2,158	£2,049	£1,661
Accountancy	£350	£324	£324	£360	£396	£396
Total	£2,194	£2,294	£2,299	£2,533	£2,460	£2,072
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	£8,939	£9,206	£4,249	£8,675	£9,360	£8,372
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	-£3,940	£188	£10,120	-£1,974	£5,337	£32,364

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Accrued interest			£426			
Total Assets	£143,245	£143,432	£154,726	£154,420	£161,465	£193,279
Less: liabilities			£1,174	£2,842	£4,550	£4,000
NET ASSETS	£143,245	£143,432	£153,552	£151,578	£156,915	£189,279
Represented by:						
Balance brought forward	£147,184	£143,245	£143,432	£153,552	£151,578	£156,916
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Report to the trustees/
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On accounts for the
year ended

5th April 2024

Charity no.

212244

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Gilbert Murray Trust") for the year ended 5th April 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

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