

Sir John Sumner's Trust

Unaudited Financial Statements

For the year ended 25 February 2021

Charity no: 218620

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Report of the Trustees

For the year ended 25 February 2021

The trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 25 February 2021 which have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice 2019 applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

1) Reference and Administrative details of the Charity

Name	Sir John Sumner's Trust
Charity Number	218620
Trustees	Lady Richard Wellesley Victoria McKie Ian Henderson Lord Richard Wellesley (Appointed 9 March 2020) Ian McKie (Appointed 9 March 2020)
Address	The Estate Office Marston St Lawrence Banbury Oxfordshire OX17 2DA
Independent examiner	Saffery Champness LLP Mitre House North Park Road Harrogate HG1 5RX
Investment managers	E F G Harris Allday Church Mews Ombersley Worcestershire WR9 0EW

Report of the Trustees

For the year ended 25 February 2021

The trustees present their report along with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 25 February 2021. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 9 and comply with the charity's trust deed and applicable law.

Objectives and activities

The objects of the charity are especially for works and objects of philanthropy, public utility, education, literature, art, archaeology and research (other than experiments involving animal suffering). Party politics are specifically ruled as outside the scope of the Trust, as is religion, although purely social efforts connected with religious denominations are not excluded.

Public benefit

The trustees have considered and complied with the duty in section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

Structure, governance and management

Sir John Sumner's Trust is constituted under a Trust Deed dated 25 February 1927 and an order dated 18 February 1998 and is a registered charity (charity number 218620).

The trustees who have served during the year and since the year end are set out on page 1. At no time must the total number of trustees exceed five or be less than three.

No trustees received remuneration during the current or previous year. There are no staff employed by the charity.

Grant making policy

The charity receives applications for grants directly and the trustees meet on a regular basis to discuss the merit of each application and make a decision as to which charities to make grants to.

Achievements and performance in the year and financial review

After accounting for realised and unrealised losses on investments, the total increase in funds was £631,879. This was after deducting donations and grants of £50,125 towards achieving the objects of the charity listed above.

Of the total increase in funds of £631,879 an increase of £64,456 (2020: nil) related to the unrestricted fund, while an increase of £567,423 (2020: £39,524) related to the expendable endowment fund.

Investment policy

The trustees have appointed E F G Harris Allday to manage the investments on a discretionary basis. The trustees consider the funds should be invested so as to generate long term growth of both capital and income. The objective is to give a balanced exposure to UK equities and fixed interest through a medium risk portfolio.

The trustees only allow investment on recognised stock exchanges and collective investment schemes. Investment is not permitted in the AIM or OFEX markets or in derivatives.

Within the year the investment fund for The Marston Charitable Trust (charity number: 1004000) has been merged with Sir John Sumner's Trust. Approval for this merger was obtained from the Charity Commission.

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Reserves Policy

It is the policy of the charity to maintain total unrestricted funds at a level which equates to approximately £75,000. This provides sufficient funds to cover management and administration costs and to respond to emergency applications for grants which may arise. Trustees intend to utilise unrestricted funds first before considering the use of the expendable endowment fund. If the unrestricted fund falls below the required amount then trustees hold discretion to transfer funds from the endowment fund. As at 25 February 2021 the Trust holds £1,493,346 in reserves, of which £114,456 are unrestricted.

Fundraising activities

In the Trustees' opinion the charity does not carry out any fundraising activities of the nature set out in the Charities Act.

Risk Management

The trustees have examined the major strategic, business and operational risks which the charity faces and confirm that systems have been established to enable regular reports to be produced so that the necessary steps can be taken to mitigate these risks.

Going concern

During the financial year end of 25 February 2021, a global pandemic was declared in relation to Covid 19, this has negatively impacted the carrying value of the investments held by the charity. The Trustees have considered the carrying value of the investments and their commitments to costs over the next 12 months and believe it is appropriate for the accounts to be prepared on the going concern basis.

Statement of trustees' responsibilities

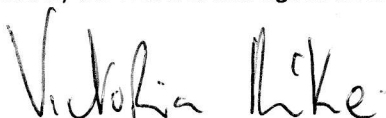
The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & 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 incoming resources and application of resources 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 (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; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that 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, applicable accounting regulations 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.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



Victoria McKie
Trustee

Date: 11/5/21

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Sir John Sumner's Trust

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Sir John Sumner's Trust (the Trust) for the year ended 25 February 2021.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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

Having satisfied myself that the Trust's accounts are not required to be audited under Charities Act 2011 and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts as 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.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

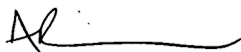
Since the Trust's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of 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:



Alison Robinson ACA

Saffery Champness LLP
Mitre House
North Park Road
Harrogate
North Yorkshire
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Date: 25 May 2021

Statement of financial activities

For the year ended 25 February 2021

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Income from:					
Investments	3	40,363	-	40,363	29,681
Transfer of funds from The Marston Charitable Trust		79,072	493,513	572,585	-
Total incoming resources		119,435	493,513	612,948	29,681
Resources expended					
Charitable activities:					
Donations and grants payable	4	(50,125)	-	(50,125)	(55,350)
Management and administration	5	(4,854)	(3,516)	(8,370)	(2,199)
Total resources expended for year		(54,979)	(3,516)	(58,495)	(57,549)
Net outgoing resources for the year before investment gains		64,456	489,997	554,453	(27,868)
Net gains on investments		-	77,426	77,426	67,392
Transfer between funds	8	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		64,456	567,423	631,879	39,524
Balance as at 26 February 2020		50,000	811,467	861,467	821,943
Balance at 25 February 2021		114,456	1,378,890	1,493,346	861,467

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the period. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

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Balance sheet

As at 25 February 2021

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Fixed Assets					
Investments	6	-	1,430,404	1,430,404	817,983
Current Assets					
Bank Balance		116,656	(51,514)	65,142	45,284
Creditors: amounts falling due within the year	7	(2,200)	-	(2,200)	(1,800)
Net Current Assets		114,456	(51,514)	62,942	43,484
Total Net Assets		114,456	1,378,890	1,493,346	861,467
Represented by:					
Funds		114,456	1,378,890	1,493,346	861,467

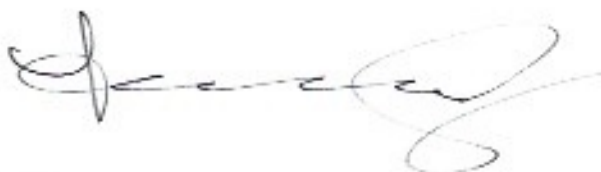
Approved on behalf of the Trustees on 11 May 2021

Lady Richard Wellesley (Trustee)

Victoria McKie (Trustee)



Ian Henderson (Trustee)



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Joanna Wellesley

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Ian Henderson (Trustee)

Lord Richard Wellesley (Trustee)

Richard Wellesley

Ian McKie (Trustee)

Notes to the financial statements

For the year ended 25 February 2021

1 Accounting Policies

a) Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis, under the historic cost convention as modified by the inclusion of investments at market value. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

Sir John Sumner's Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant account policy notes.

b) Investment income

Investment income is recorded when receivable.

c) Expenditure

Expenditure is included in the accounts on an accruals basis.

Costs of generating funds comprise those costs directly attributable to managing the investment portfolio and raising investment income.

Grants payable are charged in the year when the offer is conveyed to the recipient except in those cases where the offer is conditional, such grants being recognised as expenditure when the conditions attaching are fulfilled.

Management and administration comprises costs for the running of the Charity itself as an organisation.

d) Other recognised gains and losses

Unrealised and realised investment gains and losses are shown in the statement of financial activities.

e) Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and accordingly is exempt from taxation on its income and gains where they are applied for Charitable purposes.

f) Fixed asset investments

Investments are included at closing mid-market value at the balance sheet date. Any gain or loss on revaluation is taken to the Statement of Financial Activities.

g) Fund accounting

Details of the nature and purpose of each fund is set out in note 8.

h) Going concern assumption

The Trustees have considered the impact of the Covid 19 pandemic and the commitments of the charity for the next 12 months and believe the going concern assumption is appropriate.

Notes to the financial statements

For the year ended 25 February 2021

2 Comparative Statement of financial activities

	2020	2020	2020
	Unrestricted	Endowment	Total
	Funds	Funds	Funds
	£	£	£
Income from:			
Investments	29,681	-	29,681
Total incoming resources	29,681	-	29,681
Resources expended			
Charitable activities:			
Donations and grants	(55,350)	-	(55,350)
Management and administration	(2,199)	-	(2,199)
Total resources expended for year	(57,549)	-	(57,549)
Net gains on investments	-	67,392	67,392
Transfer between funds	27,868	(27,868)	-
Net movement in funds	-	39,524	39,524
Balance as at 26 February 2019	50,000	771,943	821,943
Balance at 25 February 2020	50,000	811,467	861,467

3 Investment income

	2021	2020
	£	£
Dividends - UK equities/overseas investments	31,427	20,724
Interest - UK fixed interest	8,936	8,957
	40,363	29,681

4 Donations and grants

	2021	2020
	£	£
Donations	50,125	55,350
	50,125	55,350

5 Management and Administration

	2021	2020
	£	£
Independent examination fees	4,840	1,800
Legal fees	3,162	-
Sundry	348	248
Investments management fees	20	151
	8,370	2,199

Notes to the financial statements

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6 Investments

	2021	2020
	£	£
Market value at 26 February 2020	817,983	788,476
Additions to investments at cost	95,314	57,452
Disposals at carrying value	(89,715)	(95,337)
Net gain/(loss) on realisation	(21,580)	(4,662)
Unrealised gain on investments	99,005	72,054
Transferred from The Marston Charitable Trust	529,397	-
Market value at 25 February 2021	<u>1,430,404</u>	<u>817,983</u>
Investments at market value comprised:		
UK equities/overseas investments	1,132,190	603,300
UK Fixed interest	<u>298,214</u>	<u>214,683</u>
	<u>1,430,404</u>	<u>817,983</u>
Historical cost as at 25 February 2021	<u>1,030,774</u>	<u>571,167</u>

Investments are managed by E F G Harris Allday, based in the UK.

7 Creditors

	2021	2020
	£	£
Accruals	<u>2,200</u>	<u>1,800</u>
	<u>2,200</u>	<u>1,800</u>

8 Funds

Unrestricted funds comprise those funds which the Trustees are free to use in accordance with the charitable objects.

Upon commencement of the charitable trust, funds were introduced as an expendable endowment. The Trustees must first utilise the unrestricted funds, however, once utilised they may spend the endowment fund in line with the objects of the charity. Any capital gains and losses arising on investments form part of the endowment fund. Legal advice relating to the merger of investment funds are also charged against the fund.

Funds amounting to £nil have been transferred from endowment funds to unrestricted funds.

9 Related parties

There were no related party transactions in the period.