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REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 220843

**Trustees' Report and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 5 April 2025
for
W H Hirst Deceased Trust**

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W H Hirst Deceased Trust

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for the Year Ended 5 April 2025**

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W H Hirst Deceased Trust
Trustees' Report
for the Year Ended 5 April 2025

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 5 April 2025. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

History, objectives and activities

By his Will dated 19 January 1944, William Henry Hirst left the residue of his estate for the acquisition of land and erection thereon of Almshouses, and the provision of a fund for their ongoing maintenance. Subsequently land was purchased at Hirst Crescent, Wollaton, Nottingham, where Almshouses have been built, in the form of flats and bungalows.

During 2003 the Trust acquired property and investments known as Willoughby Almshouses Cossall, in the Borough of Broxtowe, Nottinghamshire, which had been formerly owned by the Willoughby Almshouses, charity number 214252. These were sold during 2017 and the proceeds invested.

The Trust is a registered charity, number 220843, known as the Charity of William Henry Hirst, and is a registered social landlord with the Regulator of Social Housing (number A1328) under the name William Henry Hirst Memorial Homes.

The primary purpose of the Trust is to manage and maintain the properties and ensure that the residents of the Almshouses enjoy a high quality of life during their retirement. The Almshouses are allocated to potential residents at the discretion of the trustees as they see fit.

Management and governance arrangements

A list of Trustees, together with other relevant organisations is given on page 2. The principal address is the same as that of the solicitors.

Trustees are appointed in accordance with clause 17 of the said Will of the late William Henry Hirst.

The Trustees carry out an annual review of risks to the charity. The main risks, which relate to the management of the investments, have been mitigated by professional advice and a diversified portfolio.

Value for money

In order to ensure that the Trustees obtain good value for money, any major renovation works and projects undergo a tender process. All maintenance requests from residents are assessed and dealt with in accordance with their perceived level of urgency in order to ensure that funds are expended wisely throughout the year. The Trustees, together with their approved maintenance contractors visit the site regularly to review the properties and identify any maintenance required. Formal inspections by qualified surveyors also take place on a periodic basis.

The Trustees review the maintenance contributions each year, in order to ensure that the Charity's income keeps pace with the rate of inflation of costs, within the limits imposed by the Regulator's guidelines.

The Value for Money Standard and accompanying Code of Practice issued by the Regulator of Social Housing in April 2018, introduced a requirement for all social housing providers to publish details of performance using a standard set of metrics and these are detailed in Note 4.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Achievements and performance

The Trustees have referred to the Charity Commission's General Guidance on Public Benefit, when reviewing their aims and objectives in planning future activities, taking into account any specific planned activities.

The Charity's purposes as set out above are to provide and maintain the Almshouses at Hirst Crescent, Wollaton, Nottingham. The sale proceeds of the Willoughby Almshouses were restricted, in order that those funds may be used to purchase further Almshouses or upgrade those it already owns. To date the funds have been used to upgrade the Almshouses already owned.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Investment policy and objectives

The Trustees have powers to invest in such stocks, shares and investments as they think fit and have engaged Brewin Dolphin as investment managers. The policy is to adopt a medium risk investment strategy based on maximising income. Separate investment portfolios are maintained for the restricted and unrestricted funds. During the year the total investment income was £13,127 (2024 £12,569).

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

The Trustees have examined the Charity's requirement for reserves, in the light of potential risks. As a result they have established a policy such that the Charity aims to hold sufficient unrestricted and uninvested funds to cover up to six months of ongoing expenditure.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by the terms of the trust, and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The Charity is governed by Trustees as required by the terms of the trust. The Trustees provide their services on a voluntary basis.

When there is a requirement to recruit new Trustees this is by application from those expressing an interest, giving details of their reasons, skills and experience. Candidates are interviewed by the existing trustees and if appropriate are appointed.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

220843

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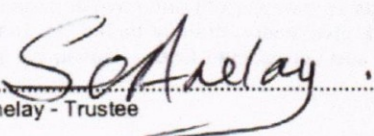
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 10th December 2025 and signed on its behalf by:


S C Anelay - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
W H Hirst Deceased Trust**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of W H Hirst Deceased Trust

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of W H Hirst Deceased Trust (the Trust) for the year ended 5 April 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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').

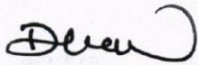
I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under Section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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 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.



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Date: 21 January 2026

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**Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 5 April 2025**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted fund £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Charitable activities					
Hirst Almshouses		75,456	-	75,456	65,660
Investment income	2	5,439	7,688	13,127	12,569
Total		<u>80,895</u>	<u>7,688</u>	<u>88,583</u>	<u>78,229</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
Hirst Almshouses		79,628	2,922	82,550	82,219
Other		6,752	-	6,752	6,440
Total		<u>86,380</u>	<u>2,922</u>	<u>89,302</u>	<u>88,659</u>
Net gains/(losses) on investments		<u>(4,851)</u>	<u>(5,232)</u>	<u>(10,083)</u>	<u>24,179</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		<u>(10,336)</u>	<u>(466)</u>	<u>(10,802)</u>	<u>13,749</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		232,117	299,062	531,179	517,430
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>221,781</u>	<u>298,596</u>	<u>520,377</u>	<u>531,179</u>

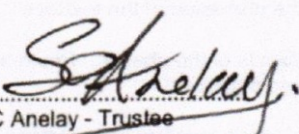
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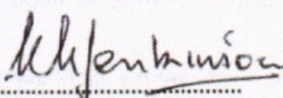
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Balance Sheet
5 April 2025

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	5	45,491	48,967
Investments	6	466,473	473,108
		<u>511,964</u>	<u>522,075</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	7	4,819	4,332
Cash at bank		37,580	48,132
		<u>42,399</u>	<u>52,464</u>
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	8	(4,406)	(11,870)
		<u>37,993</u>	<u>40,594</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS			
		549,957	562,669
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due after more than one year	9	(29,580)	(31,490)
		<u>520,377</u>	<u>531,179</u>
NET ASSETS			
FUNDS	11		
Unrestricted funds		221,781	232,117
Restricted funds		298,596	299,062
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>520,377</u>	<u>531,179</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on and were signed on its behalf by:


S C Anelay - Trustee


M M Jenkinson - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 5 April 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, with the exception of investments which are included at market value, as modified by the revaluation of certain assets.

The Trust is a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102 and has therefore applied the relevant paragraphs of the Standard in preparing its financial statements.

There are no material uncertainties about the charities ability to continue.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings, they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Freehold property	- in accordance with the property
Fixtures and fittings	- at varying rates on cost

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Capital and accumulated fund - this represents the original endowment of the trustees together with subsequent accumulations. £250,000 of this fund was restricted by the trustees in 2017, as noted in the Trustees' Report.

Social housing grant and other grants

Grants for capital expenditure are included as a non-current liability and are amortised over the life of the fixed assets to which they relate. The Social Housing Grant is repayable under certain circumstances, primarily following sale of a property, but will normally be restricted to the net proceeds of sale.

2. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2025	2024
	£	£
Investment income - dividends	6,873	6,658
Deposit account interest	368	364
Investment income - interest	5,886	5,547
	<u>13,127</u>	<u>12,569</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 5 April 2025

3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 5 April 2025 nor for the year ended 5 April 2024.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 5 April 2025 nor for the year ended 5 April 2024.

4. VALUE FOR MONEY METRICS

The Value for Money Standard and accompanying Code of Practice issued by the Regulator of Social Housing in April 2018 introduced a requirement for all social housing providers to publish details of performance using a standard set of metrics, and to include these in their statutory accounts. The trustees have considered the requirements therein and as the charity qualifies as a small provider, have followed the relevant guidance. The metrics which they are required to report are as follows:

Metric 1 - Reinvestment 0% (2024:0%)
Metric 2a - New Supply (Social Housing Units) 0% (2024: 0%)
Metric 2b - New Supply (Non-social Housing Units) 0% (2024: 0%)
Metric 3 - Gearing -1.74% (2024:-3.04%)
Metric 4 - EBITDA MRI Interest Cover N/A
Metric 5 - Headline Social Housing Cost per unit £4,151 (2024:£4,304)
Metric 6a - Operating Margin (Social Housing Lettings) -12.11% (2024:-32.48%)
Metric 6b - Operating Margin (Overall) -2.97% (2024:-19.10%)
Metric 7 - Return on Capital Employed -0.51% (2024:-2.83%)

5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property £	Fixtures and fittings £	Totals £
COST			
At 6 April 2024 and 5 April 2025	141,308	63,639	204,947
DEPRECIATION			
At 6 April 2024	94,941	61,039	155,980
Charge for year	2,826	650	3,476
At 5 April 2025	97,767	61,689	159,456
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 5 April 2025	43,541	1,950	45,491
At 5 April 2024	46,367	2,600	48,967

6. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Listed investments £
MARKET VALUE	
At 6 April 2024	473,108
Additions	91,012
Disposals	(67,630)
Revaluations	(22,951)
Movement in cash funds	(7,066)
At 5 April 2025	466,473
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 5 April 2025	466,473
At 5 April 2024	473,108

There were no investment assets outside the UK.

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 5 April 2025**

6. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS - continued

Investments are revalued annually based on information provided by the portfolio managers, Brewin Dolphin. The cost of investments before revaluation is £425,813 (2024 £409,497). The value noted above includes cash of £9,689 (2024 £16,756).

7. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025	2024
	£	£
Trade debtors	592	299
Other debtors	3,543	3,350
Prepayments and accrued income	684	683
	<u>4,819</u>	<u>4,332</u>

8. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025	2024
	£	£
Other creditors	<u>4,406</u>	<u>11,870</u>

9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

	2025	2024
	£	£
Other creditors	<u>29,580</u>	<u>31,490</u>

10. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted fund £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
Fixed assets	45,491	-	45,491	48,967
Investments	175,881	290,592	466,473	473,108
Current assets	33,655	8,744	42,399	52,464
Current liabilities	(3,666)	(740)	(4,406)	(11,870)
Long term liabilities	(29,580)	-	(29,580)	(31,490)
	<u>221,781</u>	<u>298,596</u>	<u>520,377</u>	<u>531,179</u>

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 6.4.24 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5.4.25 £
Unrestricted funds			
Capital & Accumulated Fund	232,117	(10,336)	221,781
Restricted funds			
Capital & Accumulated Fund	299,062	(466)	298,596
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>531,179</u>	<u>(10,802)</u>	<u>520,377</u>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 5 April 2025**

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
Capital & Accumulated Fund	80,895	(86,380)	(4,851)	(10,336)
Restricted funds				
Capital & Accumulated Fund	7,688	(2,922)	(5,232)	(466)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>88,583</u>	<u>(89,302)</u>	<u>(10,083)</u>	<u>(10,802)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 6.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5.4.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
Capital & Accumulated Fund	239,051	(6,934)	232,117
Restricted funds			
Capital & Accumulated Fund	278,379	20,683	299,062
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>517,430</u>	<u>13,749</u>	<u>531,179</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
Capital & Accumulated Fund	71,156	(86,062)	7,972	(6,934)
Restricted funds				
Capital & Accumulated Fund	7,073	(2,597)	16,207	20,683
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>78,229</u>	<u>(88,659)</u>	<u>24,179</u>	<u>13,749</u>

12. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 5 April 2025.

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 5 April 2025

	2025 £	2024 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Investment income		
Investment income - dividends	6,873	6,658
Deposit account interest	368	364
Investment income - interest	5,886	5,547
	<u>13,127</u>	<u>12,569</u>
Charitable activities		
WMC income	75,456	65,660
	<u>75,456</u>	<u>65,660</u>
Total incoming resources	<u>88,583</u>	<u>78,229</u>
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Property expenses	44,614	50,613
Insurance	2,736	2,505
Management charges	37,110	31,011
Amortisation of grant	(1,910)	(1,910)
	<u>82,550</u>	<u>82,219</u>
Other		
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	3,476	3,476
Support costs		
Governance costs		
Accountancy and legal fees	3,276	2,964
	<u>3,276</u>	<u>2,964</u>
Total resources expended	<u>89,302</u>	<u>88,659</u>
Net expenditure before gains and losses	(719)	(10,430)
Realised recognised gains and losses		
Realised gains/(losses) on fixed asset investments	12,868	(7,293)
	<u>12,868</u>	<u>(7,293)</u>
Net income/(expenditure)	<u><u>12,149</u></u>	<u><u>(17,723)</u></u>

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