

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 5 April 2025
for
H J Sayer and J Hopkins Charities

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for the Year Ended 5 April 2025

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Report of the Trustees
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

Objectives and aims

The Trustees receive regular applications for grants which they consider collectively at Trustees' meetings and award grants according to the individual needs and demands of their funds.

Public benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the information contained in the Charity Commissions' general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Trust's objectives and activities and grant making policy. The objectives and activities, determined under the Trust Deed, are described elsewhere in this Report. The Trustees consider that by implementing the objectives of the Trust considerable public benefit will be achieved and many members of the public with particular needs will benefit.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

During the year, the Trustees received income from investments amounting to £69,976 (2024 £71,539); (HJS £27,667 (2024 £28,291)); (JH £42,309 (2024 £43,248)) from which administration expenses etc amounted to £13,411 (2024 £12,264); (2025 HJS £4,312; JH £9,099) (2024 HJS £5,704; JH £6,560)

Charitable grants were paid during the year amounting to £62,850 (HJS £24,527; JH £38,323) (2024 £62,096; HJS £23,580; JH £38,516)

Investment policy and objectives

To achieve a balance between Income and Capital growth.

Any restrictions on the type of investments or markets in which Rathbone Investment Management may invest will be communicated in writing by the Trustees.

The Trustees of the Henry James Sayer Charity/Joseph Hopkins Charity provides written guidance for Rathbone Investment Management in order to provide the framework within which the assets of the Henry James Sayer Charity/Joseph Hopkins Charity should be managed in the best interests of the trust. Rathbone Investment Management will endeavour to comply with this guidance and any revision or replacement of it.

We acknowledge that Rathbone Investment Management have been given discretion to manage the Henry James Sayer Charity/Joseph Hopkins Charity assets.

The Trustees aim to make grants in excess of £30,000 per annum. The Trustees can expend only income.

When reviewing the Portfolio the Trustees will have regard to the performance of the FTSE WMA Balanced Total Return.

Reserves policy

It is the policy of the Charity to maintain unrestricted funds, which are the free reserves of the Charity, at a level which provides sufficient funds to cover management and administration and support costs and to respond to emergency applications for grants which arise from time to time. Unrestricted funds were maintained at this level throughout the year. Unrestricted funds, free from reserves, as at 5th April 2025 amounted to HJS £12,685 (2024 £13,857) and JH £20,682 (2024 £21,188).

FUTURE PLANS

The Trustees will continue to support local charities within the City of Birmingham and comply with the charity's objectives.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

Under the terms of the Will of Henry James Sayer deceased, the residue of the Estate is to be held by the Trustees upon trust to invest the same and to distribute the income arising therefrom between such charitable institutions of the City of Birmingham and/or such charitable objects, including individuals, within the City of Birmingham, as they shall from time to time think fit. An object or an individual shall not be debarred from benefit by reason only of an address being outside the said City if the object or individual was of Birmingham origin. The Trustees have additional powers as set out under the Terms of the Will.

Under the terms of the Will dated 7 April 1681 of Joseph Hopkins deceased as amended by a Scheme of the Charity Commissioners dated 28 June 1973, the Trust Funds are to be held by the Trustees upon trust to invest the same and to distribute the income arising therefrom in reducing the needs, hardship or distress of persons resident in the City of Birmingham who are in need of such assistance. The Scheme imposes restrictions that the income shall not be applied directly in the relief of rates, taxes or other public funds but income may be applied in supplementing relief out of public funds.

By a direction of the Charity Commissioners under Section 96(6) of the Charities Act 1993 the Commissioners directed that the Joseph Hopkins Charity and the Henry James Charity should be treated as a single charity for the purposes of Part II and Part VI of the Charities Act 1993.

Charity constitution

A Power of Amendment was conferred on the Trustees by a Charity Commission order dated 8 August 2006. The Trustees of the Henry James Sayer Charity have amended their Constitution so that their Trusteeship is common with that of the Joseph Hopkins Charity. The Charity Commission then made a Unity Direction under Charities Act 1993 in respect of the accounts of the two Charities.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The Trustees have power to appoint new Trustees. Prospective Trustees are invited to meet fellow Trustees and, if appointed, are provided with copies of the previous year's annual report and a copy of the Charity Commission leaflet "The Essential Trustee: What you Need to Know". The Trustees review each year the need for trustees to have further training.

Organisational structure

The Trustees have continued their policy of support for smaller local Charities and some local initiatives of national Charities. The Trustees will generally consider applications provided they are submitted using a standard application form. The Trustees have complied with the duty in Section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 and have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit at their trustees meetings.

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.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on and signed on its behalf by:

.....
S Jones - Trustee

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of H J Sayer and J Hopkins Charities

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of H J Sayer and J Hopkins Charities (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.

Sally-Ann Reeves FCCA

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Date:

Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 5 April 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Endowment funds £	5.4.25 Total funds £	5.4.24 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Investment income	2	69,976	-	69,976	71,539
Other income		-	8,250	8,250	-
Total		<u>69,976</u>	<u>8,250</u>	<u>78,226</u>	<u>71,539</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds	3	-	4,607	4,607	3,240
Charitable activities					
Grants payable		62,850	-	62,850	62,096
Management and administration fees		8,804	-	8,804	9,024
Total		<u>71,654</u>	<u>4,607</u>	<u>76,261</u>	<u>74,360</u>
Net gains/(losses) on investments		-	(39,138)	(39,138)	127,707
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		<u>(1,678)</u>	<u>(35,495)</u>	<u>(37,173)</u>	<u>124,886</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		35,045	2,289,129	2,324,174	2,199,288
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>33,367</u>	<u>2,253,634</u>	<u>2,287,001</u>	<u>2,324,174</u>

CONTINUING OPERATIONS

All income and expenditure has arisen from continuing activities.

The notes form part of these financial statements

Balance Sheet5 April 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Endowment funds £	5.4.25 Total funds £	5.4.24 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	7	-	21,500	21,500	43,000
Investments	8	-	2,202,387	2,202,387	2,246,115
		-	2,223,887	2,223,887	2,289,115
CURRENT ASSETS					
Prepayments and accrued income		113	-	113	150
Cash at bank		36,822	29,747	66,569	37,249
		36,935	29,747	66,682	37,399
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	9	(3,568)	-	(3,568)	(2,340)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		33,367	29,747	63,114	35,059
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		33,367	2,253,634	2,287,001	2,324,174
NET ASSETS		33,367	2,253,634	2,287,001	2,324,174
FUNDS	10				
Unrestricted funds:					
Income Fund (Henry James Sayer)				12,685	13,857
Income Fund (Joseph Hopkins)				20,682	21,188
				33,367	35,045
Endowment funds:					
Capital endowment fund (Henry James Sayer)				871,159	888,462
Capital endowment fund (Joseph Hopkins)				1,382,475	1,400,667
				2,253,634	2,289,129
TOTAL FUNDS				2,287,001	2,324,174

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

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S Jones - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

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.

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.

Investment income is earned through holding assets for investment purposes such as shares. It includes dividends and interest. Where it is not practicable to identify investment management costs incurred within a scheme with reasonable accuracy the investment income is reported net of these costs. It is included when the amount can be measured reliably. Interest income is recognised using the effective interest method and dividend income is recognised as the charity's right to receive payment is established.

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.

Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end date are noted as a commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

Investments

Investments are a form of basic financial instrument and are initially recognised at their transaction value and subsequently measured at their fair value as at the balance sheet date using the closing quoted market price. The statement of financial activities includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluation and disposals throughout the year.

The Trust does not acquire put options, derivatives or other complex financial instruments.

The main form of financial risk faced by the charity is that of volatility in equity markets and investment markets due to wider economic conditions, the attitude of investors to investment risk, and changes in sentiment concerning equities and within particular sectors or sub sectors.

All gains and losses are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities as they arise.

Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between sales proceeds and their opening carrying value or their purchase value if acquired subsequent to the first day of the financial year.

Unrealised gains and losses are calculated as the difference between the fair value at the year end and their carrying value.

Investments are stated at market value as at the balance sheet date. The statement of financial activities includes the net gains and losses arising on the revaluation and disposals throughout the year.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

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

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

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.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

2. INVESTMENT INCOME

	5.4.25	5.4.24
	£	£
Rents received	32	15
Investment income	69,944	71,524
	<u>69,976</u>	<u>71,539</u>

3. RAISING FUNDS

Investment management costs

	5.4.25	5.4.24
	£	£
Support costs	4,607	3,240
	<u>4,607</u>	<u>3,240</u>

4. GRANTS PAYABLE

	5.4.25	5.4.24
	£	£
Grants payable	62,850	62,096
	<u>62,850</u>	<u>62,096</u>

The total grants paid to institutions during the year was as follows:

	5.4.25	5.4.24
	£	£
Grants payable (Henry James Sayer Charity)	24,527	23,580
Grants payable (Joseph Hopkins Charity)	30,423	30,090
Gift Vouchers (Joseph Hopkins Charity)	7,900	8,426
	<u>62,850</u>	<u>62,096</u>

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

	Management	Governance costs	Totals
	£	£	£
Investment management costs	4,607	-	4,607
Management and administration fees	7,104	1,700	8,804
	<u>11,711</u>	<u>1,700</u>	<u>13,411</u>

Support costs, included in the above, are as follows:

	Investment management costs	Management and administration fees	5.4.25	5.4.24
	£	£	Total activities	Total activities
	£	£	£	£
Trustees' remuneration etc	-	114	114	104
Property management fee	-	180	180	180
Clerk's administration fees	-	6,810	6,810	6,400
Portfolio management fees	4,607	-	4,607	3,240
Accountancy fees	-	1,700	1,700	2,340
	<u>4,607</u>	<u>8,804</u>	<u>13,411</u>	<u>12,264</u>

6. 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

	5.4.25	5.4.24
	£	£
Trustees' expenses	<u>114</u>	<u>104</u>

7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property
	£
COST OR VALUATION	
At 6 April 2024	43,000
Disposals	(21,500)
At 5 April 2025	<u>21,500</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 5 April 2025	<u>21,500</u>
At 5 April 2024	<u>43,000</u>

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

7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS - continued

Cost or valuation at 5 April 2025 is represented by:

	Freehold property £
Valuation in 2025	21,500

Freehold property comprises of:

Sutton Coldfield Ground Rents (Joseph Hopkins Charity) £21,500 (2024 £43,000)

These are included in the financial statements at the Trustees' best estimate of their market value at the balance sheet date. The market value has been revalued to best estimate at 5th April 2025.

8. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Listed investments £
MARKET VALUE	
At 6 April 2024	2,246,115
Additions	1,064
Disposals	(5,842)
Revaluations	(38,950)
At 5 April 2025	2,202,387
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 5 April 2025	2,202,387
At 5 April 2024	2,246,115

There were no investment assets outside the UK.

Cost or valuation at 5 April 2025 is represented by:

	Listed investments £
Valuation in 2025	2,202,387

If listed investments had not been revalued they would have been included at the following historical cost:

	5.4.25	5.4.24
	£	£
Cost	2,360,905	2,365,690

Listed investments were valued on an open market basis on 5 April 2025 by Rathbone Investment Management.

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

9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	5.4.25	5.4.24
	£	£
Other creditors	<u>3,568</u>	<u>2,340</u>

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 6.4.24 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5.4.25 £
Unrestricted funds			
Income Fund (Henry James Sayer)	13,857	(1,172)	12,685
Income Fund (Joseph Hopkins)	<u>21,188</u>	<u>(506)</u>	<u>20,682</u>
	35,045	(1,678)	33,367
Endowment funds			
Capital endowment fund (Henry James Sayer)	888,462	(17,303)	871,159
Capital endowment fund (Joseph Hopkins)	<u>1,400,667</u>	<u>(18,192)</u>	<u>1,382,475</u>
	2,289,129	(35,495)	2,253,634
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>2,324,174</u>	<u>(37,173)</u>	<u>2,287,001</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
Income Fund (Henry James Sayer)	27,667	(28,839)	-	(1,172)
Income Fund (Joseph Hopkins)	<u>42,309</u>	<u>(42,815)</u>	-	<u>(506)</u>
	69,976	(71,654)	-	(1,678)
Endowment funds				
Capital endowment fund (Henry James Sayer)	-	(1,822)	(15,481)	(17,303)
Capital endowment fund (Joseph Hopkins)	<u>8,250</u>	<u>(2,785)</u>	<u>(23,657)</u>	<u>(18,192)</u>
	8,250	(4,607)	(39,138)	(35,495)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>78,226</u>	<u>(76,261)</u>	<u>(39,138)</u>	<u>(37,173)</u>

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

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**Comparatives for movement in funds**

	At 6.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5.4.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
Income Fund (Henry James Sayer)	13,568	289	13,857
Income Fund (Joseph Hopkins)	21,058	130	21,188
	<u>34,626</u>	<u>419</u>	<u>35,045</u>
Endowment funds			
Capital endowment fund (Henry James Sayer)	839,229	49,233	888,462
Capital endowment fund (Joseph Hopkins)	1,325,433	75,234	1,400,667
	<u>2,164,662</u>	<u>124,467</u>	<u>2,289,129</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>2,199,288</u>	<u>124,886</u>	<u>2,324,174</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				
Income Fund (Henry James Sayer)	28,291	(28,002)	-	289
Income Fund (Joseph Hopkins)	43,248	(43,118)	-	130
	<u>71,539</u>	<u>(71,120)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>419</u>
Endowment funds				
Capital endowment fund (Henry James Sayer)	-	(1,282)	50,515	49,233
Capital endowment fund (Joseph Hopkins)	-	(1,958)	77,192	75,234
	<u>-</u>	<u>(3,240)</u>	<u>127,707</u>	<u>124,467</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>71,539</u>	<u>(74,360)</u>	<u>127,707</u>	<u>124,886</u>

11. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

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

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

	Unrestricted funds £	Endowment funds £	5.4.25 Total funds £	5.4.24 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS				
Investment income				
Rents received	32	-	32	15
Investment income	69,944	-	69,944	71,524
	<u>69,976</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>69,976</u>	<u>71,539</u>
Other income				
Profit on sale of freehold	-	8,250	8,250	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>8,250</u>	<u>8,250</u>	<u>-</u>
Total incoming resources	<u>69,976</u>	<u>8,250</u>	<u>78,226</u>	<u>71,539</u>
EXPENDITURE				
Charitable activities				
Grants to institutions	62,850	-	62,850	62,096
Support costs				
Management				
Trustees' expenses	114	-	114	104
Property management fee	180	-	180	180
Clerk's administration fees	6,810	-	6,810	6,400
Portfolio management fees	-	4,607	4,607	3,240
	<u>7,104</u>	<u>4,607</u>	<u>11,711</u>	<u>9,924</u>
Governance costs				
Accountancy fees	1,700	-	1,700	2,340
	<u>1,700</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,700</u>	<u>2,340</u>
Total resources expended	<u>71,654</u>	<u>4,607</u>	<u>76,261</u>	<u>74,360</u>
Net (expenditure)/income before gains and losses	<u>(1,678)</u>	<u>3,643</u>	<u>1,965</u>	<u>(2,821)</u>
Realised recognised gains and losses				
Realised gains/(losses) on fixed asset investments	-	(188)	(188)	(442)
	<u>-</u>	<u>(188)</u>	<u>(188)</u>	<u>(442)</u>
Net (expenditure)/income	<u><u>(1,678)</u></u>	<u><u>3,455</u></u>	<u><u>1,777</u></u>	<u><u>(3,263)</u></u>