

**JOHN HORNIMAN'S CHILDREN'S TRUST**

**REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

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## JOHN HORNIMAN'S CHILDREN'S TRUST

### LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

The John Horniman's Convalescent Home was established under a Declaration of Trust dated 26 December 1889. The Charity Commission sealed a scheme dated 12 May 2004 which altered the Trusts of the Charity now to be known as John Horniman's Children's Trust and for its administration.

<b>Trustees</b>	Heather Brayshaw Mary Bullard Paul High (Chair) Emma Killick Val McFarlane (Deputy Chair) Liza Phipps Kate Sewell Sue Sharpe Shirley Torrens Stephen Wright (Treasurer)
<b>Secretary</b>	Bal Saini
<b>Principal Address</b>	6 Upper Vauxhall The Vauxhalls Wolverhampton, WV1 4SY.
<b>Charity Commission Registered Number</b>	222730
<b>Auditors</b>	Myrus Smith Norman House 8 Burnell Road Sutton Surrey. SM1 4BW
<b>Bankers</b>	Unity Trust Bank PO Box 7193, Planetary Road Willenhall, WV1 9DG
<b>Solicitors</b>	Staffurth & Bray 85 Aldwick Road Bognor Regis. PO21 2NT  Hunters 9 New Square Lincoln's Inn London, WC2A 3QN
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**JOHN HORNIMAN'S CHILDREN'S TRUST**  
**TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT**  
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The Trustees present their annual report along with Financial Statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2023. The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on pages 14 and 15 and comply with the charity's trust deed, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland".

The Financial Statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis with the exception of investments which are valued as at the date of the Balance Sheet.

**Objectives and activities for the public benefit**

The objectives of the Trust are to assist in the relief of sickness and the advancement of education of children who are sick, convalescent, or have learning disabilities. The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Trust's aims and objectives and in planning future activities and setting the grant making policy for the year. The criteria for awarding grants are:

**Criteria for grants**

All grants must contribute to the aims of the John Horniman's Children's Trust, namely:

To assist in the relief of sickness and the advancement of education of children who are sick, convalescent, or have learning disabilities.

The Trustees will give priority to projects:

- run by Quaker charities or bodies, or organisations with historical connections to Quakers;
- which can be introduced by a member or attender of a Quaker meeting personally;
- known to the Trustees;
- which fulfil the objects of our trust;
- which work with children up to the age of 19 years old.

Applications are welcome from charities:

- that are well established or;
- that are newly formed and may be working towards registered status;
- that operate within the UK.

**What we will not fund**

While in general principle the Trustees would not be prepared to fund work unless there is a reassurance that it will be entirely focused on the needs of children, they are however always prepared to look at any special circumstances. They believe however that grants towards the following are unlikely to fall within their remit:

- Adapting buildings to provide disability access.
- All age disabled support groups.
- General youth work.
- Another organisation that dispenses funds to a third party.
- Applications from or on behalf of individuals.

**Our expectations following the granting of any award.**

Grants can be awarded for up to 3 years on an annual review basis. We anticipate that annual grants awarded will be between £1,000 and £5,000 per annum. Recipients are asked to send a report of their activities (annual report) for the year of the grant award. We hope that most projects will be monitored by individual Horniman Trustees or by our local contact (eg Local Quaker Meeting).



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Since 2003, as matters of general practice the Trustees have:

- Devised and implemented a grants application procedure.
- Invited, received and screened grant applications.
- Awarded grants for a range of causes.
- Agreed a sensible monitoring system by Trustees to ensure that a grant be used for the intended purpose.
- Determined to spend the proceeds of investment effectively within the framework of the Trust's aims.
- In 2009 Trustees agreed to allocate almost all the income derived from investments (retaining only enough to cover administration and governance expenses) on a half yearly basis, allowing maximum public benefit to sick children. However, since 2013 and due to the significant increase in the number of applications for grants, the Trustees have also used some of the gains on investments held in order to meet this increased demand.

**Achievements and performance**

During the year, grants have been made to:

<b>Ataxia Telangiectasia Society</b>	<b>£2,000</b>
<b>Autism Bedfordshire</b>	<b>£3,000</b>
<b>Batten Disease Family Association</b>	<b>£2,000</b>
<b>Benedetti Foundation</b>	<b>£3,000</b>
<b>Bolton Lads &amp; Girls Club</b>	<b>£2,500</b>
<b>Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra</b>	<b>£1,500</b>
<b>Bendrigg Trust</b>	<b>£2,000</b>
<b>Brainwave Centre</b>	<b>£2,000</b>
<b>Brighter Opportunities for Special People</b>	<b>£1,000</b>
<b>Camp Mohawk (Woodland Centre Trust)</b>	<b>£2,000</b>
<b>Candlelighters</b>	<b>£1,500</b>
<b>Cerebral Palsy Cymru</b>	<b>£2,000</b>
<b>Chailey Heritage Foundation</b>	<b>£2,000</b>
<b>Chicken Shed</b>	<b>£2,000</b>
<b>Child Brain Injury Trust</b>	<b>£1,500</b>
<b>Children's Adventure Farm Trust</b>	<b>£2,000</b>
<b>Children's Bowel &amp; Bladder Charity</b>	<b>£2,000</b>
<b>Children's Hospice South West</b>	<b>£1,000</b>

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**City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra    £3,000**

**Cystic Fibrosis Trust    £2,000**

**Dahl's Marvellous Children's Charity    £1,500**

**Dame Vera Lynn Children's Charity    £2,000**

**Douglas Macmillan Hospice    £2,500**

**Footsteps Foundation    £3,000**

**Go Live Theatre Projects    £3,000**

**Grand Appeal    £1,500**

**Guild Care    £3,000**

**Gympanzees    £2,000**

**Halle Concerts Society    £1,000**

**Happy Day Children's Charity    £3,000**

**Haringey Shed    £2,500**

**Hearts & Minds    £2,000**

**Helen & Douglas House    £1,500**

**Leeds Hospital Charity    £1,500**

**Little Angel Theatre    £1,500**

**Marches Family Network    £2,000**

**Movement Centre    £2,000**

**Museum of London    £3,000**

**New Vic Theatre    £1,500**

**Otakar Kraus Music Trust    £1,500**

**Outside in Pathways    £1,000**

**Peter Pan Centre    £2,000**

**Rainbow Trust Children's Charity    £2,000**

**Reuben's Retreat    £1,500**

**Richard House Children's Hospice    £3,000**

**Sebastian's Action Trust    £1,500**

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<b>Sense</b>	<b>£3,000</b>
<b>Sick Children's Trust</b>	<b>£2,500</b>
<b>Speech &amp; Language UK</b>	<b>£2,000</b>
<b>Theodora Children's Charity</b>	<b>£3,000</b>
<b>Tiny Tim's Children Centre</b>	<b>£1,500</b>
<b>Together Trust</b>	<b>£3,000</b>
<b>Transforming Autism</b>	<b>£750</b>
<b>Welsh National Opera</b>	<b>£2,000</b>
<b>Whizz Kidz</b>	<b>£1,500</b>
<b>Whoopsadaisy</b>	<b>£2,000</b>
<b>Wingate Centre</b>	<b>£3,000</b>
<b>Winston's Wish</b>	<b>£3,000</b>
<b>Yellow Submarine</b>	<b>£2,000</b>

#### **Financial Review**

The Trust is reliant on the income from its investments and donations, the income from which was £54,706 (2022: £43,560). There were net realised and unrealised gains on investments of £53,306 (2022: Loss £328,803). Payment of grants during the year totalled £121,750 (2022: £105,250). The balance of funds at 31 December 2023 was £1,433,588 (2022: £1,471,330).

#### **Investment Policy**

The Trust's investment strategy was changed following approval by the Charity Commission to the use of a Total Return approach on the permanent endowment. Our investment advisors use a discretionary management basis and have been instructed to invest in a portfolio which will maximise the Total Return with medium risk. The Trustees have adopted an ethical investment policy and have instructed our investment advisors to exclude investments in companies involved in the following areas:

- The production or dealing in armaments
- Businesses which are deemed harmful to the environment e.g. oil production and mining
- Gambling
- Pornography
- Companies which have a questionable human rights history.

#### **Reserves Policy**

The Trustees aim to receive an annual income from investments of £80,000, to retain an amount to meet commitments for grants.

The Trustees may also apply some of the unapplied total return to respond to applications for grants and to cover support costs. Unrestricted funds at 31 December 2023 amounted to £392,560 (2022: £405,745) of which £377,464 (2022: £400,299) was represented by investments. The Trustees



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consider that the current level of reserves is adequate for the needs of the charity.

**Risk Management**

The Trustees have reviewed the major risks to which the Trust is exposed and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate the exposure to these risks.

**Plans for the Future**

To continue the present policy relating to grants and to decide on the level of grants made available from total return.

**Structure, Governance and Management**

The John Horniman Convalescent Home was established under a Declaration of Trust dated 26 December 1889; a home for the reception, care, treatment, education and training of children who are sick, convalescent, or have learning disabilities. From 1950, the premises were leased to the Invalid Children's Aid Nationwide as a school for children with speech and language difficulties. The school was closed in 2003 and the premises sold in 2004,

The Charity Commission, by an order dated 12 May 2004, changed the name to John Horniman's Children's Trust and its objects were the relief of sickness and the advancement of education of children who are sick, convalescent, or have learning disabilities.

The Charity Commission on 30 March 2005 permitted the Trust to adopt a total return in relation to the permanent endowment investments. Trustees are appointed by the Trustee body and shall be members of the Religious Society of Friends and may be re-appointed for further triennium. The Charity Commission Order provides that there should be not more than nine and not less than three Trustees.

The Trustees normally meet twice a year when they agree the broad strategy and areas of activity for the Trust including consideration of grant making, investment, reserves and risk management policies and performance. The day to day administration of grants and the processing and handling of applications is delegated to the Secretary.

**Induction**

A Trustee who is newly appointed will have been well known to some Trustees. They will have been made familiar with the objectives and activities.

**Trustees' Responsibilities in relation to the Financial Statements**

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual 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 2019 (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;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.



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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, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

**Auditors**

Myrus Smith are appointed auditors of the Financial Statements for the year.

**On behalf of the Trustees**

Paul High  
Chair of Trustees

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Paul High', is written over the printed name and title.

Dated: 10/06/2024

## **Independent Auditor's Report to the Trustees of:**

### **JOHN HORNIMAN'S CHILDREN'S TRUST**

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of John Horniman's Children's Trust (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 December 2023 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, Balance Sheet and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland* (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 December 2023 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

#### **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAS (UK) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### **Conclusions relating to going concern**

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

#### **Other information**

The trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the trustees' annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we



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conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

#### **Matters on which we are required to report by exception**

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 require us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the financial statements is inconsistent in any material respect with the trustees' report; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

#### **Responsibilities of trustees**

As explained more fully in the trustees' responsibilities statement set out on pages 6 and 7, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of financial statements which give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### **Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements**

We have been appointed as auditor under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with regulations made under section 154 of that Act.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The specific procedures for this engagement and the extent to which these are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

- Enquiry of management and those charged with governance about actual and potential litigation or claims and the identification of non-compliance with laws and regulations.
- Reviewing minutes of meetings of those charged with governance.
- Reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations.
- Auditing the risk of management override of controls, including testing journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness; and assessing whether the judgements made in making accounting estimates are indicative of a potential bias.

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- Performing analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships that may indicate risks of material misstatement due to fraud.
- Professional scepticism in course of the audit and with audit sampling in material audit areas.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk is also greater regarding irregularities occurring due to fraud rather than error, as fraud involves intentional concealment, forgery, collusion, omission or misrepresentation.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: [www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities](http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities). This description forms part of our auditor's report.

**Use of our report**

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



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MYRUS SMITH  
Chartered Accountants  
and Statutory Auditor

Date: 13 June 2024

Myrus Smith is eligible to act as an auditor in terms of section 1212 Companies Act 2006.



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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

	Notes	Unrestricted Fund £	Endowment Fund £	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
<b>Income and endowments</b>					
Investment Income:					
Dividends - UK & Overseas Equities	3	8,362	22,703	31,065	31,339
Interest – UK & Overseas Fixed Interest	3	4,561	12,433	16,994	12,101
Interest on cash deposits	3	486	449	935	-
Donations		3,540	-	3,540	120
Gift Aid		2,172	-	2,172	-
<b>Total income</b>		<u>19,121</u>	<u>35,585</u>	<u>54,706</u>	<u>43,560</u>
<b>Expenditure</b>					
Cost of raising funds:					
Investment management costs		2,381	6,318	8,699	6,894
Expenditure on charitable activities:					
Conference		-	-	-	3,683
Grants to institutions		121,750	-	121,750	105,250
Support costs	4	7,653	7,652	15,305	14,310
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<u>131,784</u>	<u>13,970</u>	<u>145,754</u>	<u>130,137</u>
<b>Net (expenditure)/income before investment gains/(losses)</b>		(112,663)	21,615	(91,048)	(86,577)
Net (losses)/gains on investments	5	12,545	40,761	53,306	(328,803)
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>		<u>(100,118)</u>	<u>62,376</u>	<u>(37,742)</u>	<u>(415,380)</u>
Transfers between funds	8	86,933	(86,933)	-	-
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<u>(13,185)</u>	<u>(24,557)</u>	<u>(37,742)</u>	<u>(415,380)</u>
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>					
Total funds brought forward		405,745	1,065,585	1,471,330	1,886,710
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<u>£392,560</u>	<u>£1,041,028</u>	<u>£1,433,588</u>	<u>£1,471,330</u>

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 15 to 19 form part of these Financial Statements

# JOHN HORNIMAN'S CHILDREN'S TRUST

## BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Notes	2023		2022	
		£	£	£	£
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
Investments	5		1,418,492		1,465,884
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Debtors	6	1,660		-	
Cash at bank – current account		15,380		7,342	
		<u>17,040</u>		<u>7,342</u>	
<b>LIABILITIES</b>					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	7	1,944		1,896	
		<u></u>		<u></u>	
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>			15,096		5,446
			<u></u>		<u></u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			1,433,588		1,471,330
Provisions for liabilities and charges	9	-		-	
		<u></u>		<u></u>	
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	10		<u>£1,433,588</u>		<u>£1,471,330</u>
			<u></u>		<u></u>
<b>The funds of the Charity</b>					
Endowment funds – Permanent			1,041,028		1,065,585
Unrestricted income funds			392,560		405,745
			<u></u>		<u></u>
<b>TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS</b>			<u>£1,433,588</u>		<u>£1,471,330</u>
			<u></u>		<u></u>

These Financial Statements have been approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



Paul High  
Chair of Trustees

Date: 10/6 / 2024

The notes on pages 13 to 17 form part of these Financial Statements



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**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Basis of accounting**

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements 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 Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

**Income recognition**

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income after any performance conditions have been met, the amount can be measured reliably and it is probable that the income will be received.

Investment income is earned through holdings of listed investments and includes dividends and interest. Income from listed investments is recognised as the charity's right to receive payment is established. Bank interest is recognised on a receivable basis.

Donations are recognised when the charity has been notified of the amounts and the settlement date in writing and it is probable that the donor will fulfil their stated obligations. If these conditions are not met the donation is recognised when received.

**Expenditure recognition**

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Expenditure is recognised where there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payments to third parties, it is probable that the settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. It is categorised under the following headings:

- Costs of raising funds which comprise investment management fees relating to the charity's portfolio of listed investments (Of the £8,699 expense in 2023, £2,381 was charged to unrestricted funds and £6,318 to endowment funds).
- Expenditure on charitable activities which primarily comprise of grants to third parties in furtherance of the charity's objects.

Grants are recognised as an expense when the trustees have agreed to award the payment without condition and the recipient has a reasonable expectation of receipt. Grants are paid out of the charity's unrestricted funds.

**Investments**

Investments are recognised initially at fair value which is normally the transaction price excluding transaction costs. Subsequently, they are measured at fair value (quoted market value on a recognised stock exchange) with changes recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities if the investments are publicly traded or their fair value can otherwise be measured reliably.

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**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES cont...**

**Debtors and Creditors**

Debtors and creditors with no stated interest rate and receivable or payable within one year are recorded at transaction price. Any losses arising from impairment are recognised in expenditure.

**Fund accounting**

Unrestricted general funds are those funds which are freely available for use in furtherance of the objects of the charity and which have not been designated for specific purposes.

Endowment funds represent those assets which must be held permanently by the charity. The charity has adopted a total return approach to the investment of those funds. Investment management costs and a proportion of support costs are charged against endowment funds.

**2. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS AND TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION**

Trustees received no emoluments. Travel expenses totalling £1,006 (2022: £932) were reimbursed to 11 (2022: 9) Trustees.

**3. INVESTMENT INCOME – COMPARATIVE INFORMATION**

	Unrestricted Fund £	Endowment Fund £	Total 2022 £
Dividends - UK and Overseas Equities	8,555	22,784	31,339
Interest - UK And Overseas Fixed Interest	3,243	8,858	12,101
Interest on cash deposits	-	-	-
	<u>11,798</u>	<u>31,642</u>	<u>43,440</u>

**4. SUPPORT COSTS**

	2023 £	2022 £
Secretary's honorarium and expenses	11,569	10,355
Office rent	-	750
Room hire and sundry	786	377
Governance		
Trustees' expenses	1,006	932
Auditor's remuneration	1,944	1,896
	<u>15,305</u>	<u>14,310</u>

Support costs are allocated equally between the Unrestricted and Endowment Funds. Of the £14,310 support costs incurred in 2022 £7,155 was charged to Unrestricted Funds and £7,155 was charged to Endowment Funds.

Of the £130,137 total expenditure incurred in 2022, £117,970 was charged to Unrestricted Funds and £12,167 was charged to Endowment Funds.



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**5. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS**

The types of investments held at 31 December 2023 and 2022 and their market values were:

	2023	2022
	£	£
Shares in public limited companies	625,743	692,230
Unit Trusts	363,859	365,872
Fixed Interest	401,816	388,473
	<u>1,391,418</u>	<u>1,446,575</u>
Cash held by Quilter Cheviot	27,074	19,309
	<u>£1,418,492</u>	<u>£1,465,884</u>
Historical cost	<u>£1,153,245</u>	<u>£1,165,473</u>

The investments are held in the UK.

The movement in market value during the year was:

	£	£
Market value at 1 January 2023	1,465,884	1,880,582
Disposals at cost	(194,263)	(152,233)
Acquisitions at cost	174,270	42,478
Change in value in the year	(35,164)	(301,086)
Increase/(Decrease) in cash awaiting investment	7,765	(3,857)
Market value at 31 December 2023	<u>£1,418,492</u>	<u>£1,465,884</u>

Of the £(328,803) net loss on investments in 2022, £(84,023) related to unrestricted funds and £(244,780) related to endowment funds.

**6. DEBTORS**

	2023	2022
	£	£
Prepayments	<u>£1,661</u>	<u>£Nil</u>

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**7. CREDITORS:**

Amounts falling due within one year

	2023 £	2022 £
Accruals	-	240
Auditors' Remuneration	1,944	1,860
	<u>£1,944</u>	<u>£2,100</u>

**8. APPLICATION OF THE POWER OF TOTAL RETURN**

The Charity Commission permitted the Trust to adopt the use of total return in relation to its permanent endowment investments on 30 March 2005. The power permits the Trustees to invest the portfolio to maximise total return and to apply an appropriate portion of the total return to income each year. Until the power is exercised to transfer a portion of unapplied total return to income (as disclosed below), the unapplied total return remains invested as part of the Permanent Endowment.

The investment fund and application of total return to permanent endowment funds:	2023 £	2022 £
Unapplied total return	865,585	1,175,792
Add: Investment return: Dividends and interest	35,585	31,642
Realised and unrealised gains/(losses)	40,761	(244,795)
	<u>941,931</u>	<u>962,639</u>
Less: Investment management costs	(6,318)	(5,012)
Support costs	(7,652)	(7,155)
	<u>927,691</u>	<u>950,472</u>
Unapplied total return before transfer to income	927,691	950,472
Less: Unapplied total return applied	(86,933)	(84,887)
	<u>841,028</u>	<u>865,585</u>
Subtotal: Unapplied total return as at 31 December 2023	841,028	865,585
Original value of gift	200,000	200,000
	<u>£1,041,028</u>	<u>£1,065,585</u>
Permanent endowment including unapplied total return as at 31 December 2023	<u>£1,041,028</u>	<u>£1,065,585</u>

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**9. PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES**

	Charitable Commitments Accrued	
	2023 £	2022 £
<b>Material provisions and movement in provisions during the year</b>		
Commitments outstanding at 1 January 2023	-	-
New commitments charged to the SOFA in the year	121,750	105,250
Grants paid in the year	(121,750)	(105,250)
Amount of the commitments at 31 December 2023	<u>£Nil</u>	<u>£NIL</u>

**10. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS**

	Unrestricted Fund £	Endowment Fund £	Total £
Investments	377,464	1,041,028	1,418,492
Current assets	17,040	-	17,040
Creditors	(1,944)	-	(1,944)
	<u>£392,560</u>	<u>£1,041,028</u>	<u>£1,433,588</u>

The endowment fund is a fund, which may be applied for the unrestricted purposes of the Trust, as determined by the Trustees from time to time.

Comparative information for the analysis of net assets between funds in the previous year is as follows:

	Unrestricted Fund £	Endowment Fund £	Total £
Investments	400,299	1,065,585	1,465,884
Current assets	7,342	-	7,342
Creditors	(1,896)	-	(1,896)
	<u>£405,745</u>	<u>£1,065,585</u>	<u>£1,471,330</u>