

CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER: 230928

The Francis W Reckitt Arts Trust
Unaudited Financial Statements
30 September 2024

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The Francis W Reckitt Arts Trust

Financial Statements

Year ended 30 September 2024

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Trustees' Annual Report

Year ended 30 September 2024

The trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 30 September 2024.

Reference and administrative details

Registered charity name The Francis W Reckitt Arts Trust

Charity registration number 230928

Principal office Hawkwood College
Painswick Old Road
Stroud
Gloucestershire
GL6 7QW
United Kingdom

The trustees

Mrs M Clark
Mr C Green (Chairman)
Mr C Cook
Mr I Archer

Company secretary Mr D Stoll

Independent examiner Jeffrey Kelly FCA
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Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

Year ended 30 September 2024

Structure, governance and management

Governing Document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust established by Francis William Reckitt in 1929, and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

A scheme, modifying the original deed, was issued by the Charity Commission on 10 March 2016, allowing the Charity to use its funds for revised objects, cy-près to the original ones, in supporting artists with temporary board and accommodation either at Hawkwood College or in other places of their choice.

Trustees

During this year, the Charity's Board was composed of four Trustees, who represent branches of the Arts and/or have specialised knowledge of such practical matters as Law, Administration etc. A new potential Trustee has been approached and has agreed to be appointed during the next year.

There were four Trustee Meetings held during the year, two of which were conducted via conference call. This is permitted in our system and all meetings were quorate. The Trustees discussed the Charity's broad strategy and areas of activity; day to day management is always delegated to the Secretary. He remained in regular communication with the Chairman, and also with the Director of Hawkwood College and various professional advisors through the year.

Risk Management

The Trustees have examined the major strategic, business and operational risks which the Charity faces and confirm that systems continue to ensure that any necessary steps can be taken to lessen these risks.

Furthermore, the unrestricted funds available to the Trust are at a sufficient level to cover administration and support costs and to respond to emergencies should they arise.

Finance

The Charity is supported by investment income from the Trust Fund established by the benefactor. The Trustees hold annual meetings with Rathbones, as investment managers for the charity, to discuss and decide ongoing investment policy. There are regular discussions regarding the best policies under changing circumstances, and Rathbones monitor the situation regularly and inform the Trust of any important matters arising.

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Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

Year ended 30 September 2024

Objectives and activities

Objectives and Aims

The Trust has continued its activity in providing and allocating Grant finance to allow for the temporary accommodation of Artists, alone or in groups, for rest, recreation, convalescence, study, research or quiet work. Generally, the Trust has a policy of supporting Artist Residencies at Hawkwood College as its major beneficence - the Hawkwood Artists Residency Programme (HARP) - and funding the bed and board costs of Artists working or resting away from home through other established specialist Charities or paid directly to places of residence chosen by individual artists.

The strict guidelines regarding 1] professional status and 2] need for assistance remained in place throughout the changing circumstances of the year.

Achievements and performance

Charitable Activities

A total of £120,230.00 was paid out as Grants over this financial year. During the year, Hawkwood College was allocated £112,500 for the HARP programme, and £4,900 was paid to other Charities which the Trust supports in furtherance of its Aims. Individual Artists received grants totalling £2,830 during this period

As predicted in last year's Report, the Trust distributed more than its Income this year, drawing from previously re-invested Income to ensure solid support for relevant beneficiaries at this difficult time for Artists. Disregarding money put aside in Savings for unexpected expenses in the coming year and investment management fees, the Trust's administration costs represented about 10% of the money drawn during the year.

Since beginning its Grant giving activities in 2016, the Trust has given a total of approximately £673,480 in Grants of various kinds, all in line with its declared aims.

Investment performance

Over the year to 30th September 2024, the total Income from the Fund was £112,244, supplemented by bank interest of £195 from the Savings Account. Regarding the Fund, the return of the Trust after fees was 11.5%, measured against the Rathbones Risk Level 5 Total Return Benchmark, which increased by 16.6%, and the ARC Charity Equity Risk peer group index of 13.8%. While the return in absolute terms is satisfactory, there is underperformance with respect to the benchmarks. Rathbones explains this as being due to 1] the focus on income-producing UK investments which have underperformed generally; and 2] a lower share of investment in the US technology sector, which, while being the market leaders, do not tend to pay dividends.

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Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

Year ended 30 September 2024

Financial review

Reserves policy

The unrestricted funds are at a sufficient level to cover administration and support costs and to respond to emergencies should they arise. The level of drawdown during the year covered all the administrative costs of the Charity, the balance being used for giving grants in accordance with the Trust's aims.

Investment policy and objectives

The Trustees have no restriction on Investment and the administration of the portfolio is delegated on a day to day basis to Rathbones in a dealing and advisory capacity. The Fund manager, on behalf of the Trustees, regularly monitors movements in the markets and makes necessary adjustments to the portfolio.

Plans for future periods

There are currently no major plans for changing the investment pattern over the coming year, though the situation of the markets will be watched carefully by Rathbones and adjustments made as necessary.

The Trustees, having carefully considered the figures and the situation, have decided to remain at Risk Level 5. They are keeping open, for the present, the possibility of changing the balance of investments later in the coming year to attract a slightly higher income, within the general requirement of at least matching inflation in raising the value of the Fund.

The trustees' annual report was approved on 13 Feb '25 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:



Mr D Stoll
Charity Secretary

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Trustees' Annual Report *(continued)*

Year ended 30 September 2024

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of The Francis W Reckitt Arts Trust

Year ended 30 September 2024

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of The Francis W Reckitt Arts Trust ('the charity') for the year ended 30 September 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. the financial statements 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.

Jeffrey Kelly FCA

Independent Examiner

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Statement of Financial Activities

Year ended 30 September 2024

		2024		2023
	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Income and endowments				
Investment income	4	112,440	112,440	115,557
Total income		<u>112,440</u>	<u>112,440</u>	<u>115,557</u>
Expenditure				
Expenditure on raising funds:				
Investment management costs	5	19,531	19,531	18,279
Expenditure on charitable activities	6,7	152,860	152,860	140,418
Total expenditure		<u>172,391</u>	<u>172,391</u>	<u>158,697</u>
Net gains on investments	8	(402,196)	(402,196)	(282,095)
Net income and net movement in funds		<u>342,245</u>	<u>342,245</u>	<u>238,955</u>
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		4,839,860	4,839,860	4,600,905
Total funds carried forward		<u>5,182,105</u>	<u>5,182,105</u>	<u>4,839,860</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.
All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 8 to 13 form part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Financial Position

30 September 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible fixed assets	12	181	374
Investments	13	5,053,441	4,763,044
		<u>5,053,622</u>	<u>4,763,418</u>
Current assets			
Debtors	14	38,275	43,286
Cash at bank and in hand		92,708	37,956
		<u>130,983</u>	<u>81,242</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	15	2,500	4,800
Net current assets		<u>128,483</u>	<u>76,442</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>5,182,105</u>	<u>4,839,860</u>
Net assets		<u>5,182,105</u>	<u>4,839,860</u>
Funds of the charity			
Unrestricted funds		5,182,105	4,839,860
Total charity funds	16	<u>5,182,105</u>	<u>4,839,860</u>

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on, and are signed on behalf of the board by:

Mr C Green (Chairman)
Trustee

The notes on pages 8 to 13 form part of these financial statements.

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Notes to the Financial Statements

Year ended 30 September 2024

1. General information

The charity is a public benefit entity and a registered charity in England and Wales and is unincorporated. The address of the principal office is Hawkwood College, Painswick Old Road, Stroud, Gloucestershire, GL6 7QW, UK.

2. Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the 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) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Charities Act 2011.

3. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities and investment properties measured at fair value through income or expenditure.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

Going concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees to further any of the charity's purposes.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular future project or commitment.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure declared by the donor or through the terms of an appeal, and fall into one of two sub-classes: restricted income funds or endowment funds.

Incoming resources

All income is included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity, it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- income from donations or grants is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement to the gift, receipt is probable and its amount can be measured reliably.
- legacy income is recognised when receipt is probable and entitlement is established.

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 30 September 2024

3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Incoming resources *(continued)*

- income from donated goods is measured at the fair value of the goods unless this is impracticable to measure reliably, in which case the value is derived from the cost to the donor or the estimated resale value. Donated facilities and services are recognised in the accounts when received if the value can be reliably measured. No amounts are included for the contribution of general volunteers.
- income from contracts for the supply of services is recognised with the delivery of the contracted service. This is classified as unrestricted funds unless there is a contractual requirement for it to be spent on a particular purpose and returned if unspent, in which case it may be regarded as restricted.
- investment income from interest and dividends is recognised when received.

Resources expended

Costs of generating funds consist of the management costs relating to the investment portfolio. The direct costs of providing services to guests are categorised as charitable activities. Governance costs comprise the expenditure associated with strategic management and compliance with statutory requirements.

Tangible assets

Tangible assets are initially recorded at cost, and subsequently stated at cost less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Any tangible assets carried at revalued amounts are recorded at the fair value at the date of revaluation less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

An increase in the carrying amount of an asset as a result of a revaluation, is recognised in other recognised gains and losses, unless it reverses a charge for impairment that has previously been recognised as expenditure within the statement of financial activities. A decrease in the carrying amount of an asset as a result of revaluation, is recognised in other recognised gains and losses, except to which it offsets any previous revaluation gain, in which case the loss is shown within other recognised gains and losses on the statement of financial activities.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost or valuation of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Fixtures and fittings - 10% straight line

Investments

Unlisted equity investments are initially recorded at cost, and subsequently measured at fair value. If fair value cannot be reliably measured, assets are measured at cost less impairment.

Listed investments are measured at fair value with changes in fair value being recognised in income or expenditure.

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 30 September 2024

3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Financial instruments

A financial asset or a financial liability is recognised only when the charity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at the amount receivable or payable including any related transaction costs.

Current assets and current liabilities are subsequently measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be paid or received and not discounted.

Debt instruments are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

Where investments in shares are publicly traded or their fair value can otherwise be measured reliably, the investment is subsequently measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognised in income and expenditure. All other such investments are subsequently measured at cost less impairment.

Other financial instruments, including derivatives, are initially recognised at fair value, unless payment for an asset is deferred beyond normal business terms or financed at a rate of interest that is not a market rate, in which case the asset is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Other financial instruments are subsequently measured at fair value, with any changes recognised in the statement of financial activities, with the exception of hedging instruments in a designated hedging relationship.

Financial assets that are measured at cost or amortised cost are reviewed for objective evidence of impairment at the end of each reporting date. If there is objective evidence of impairment, an impairment loss is recognised under the appropriate heading in the statement of financial activities in which the initial gain was recognised.

For all equity instruments regardless of significance, and other financial assets that are individually significant, these are assessed individually for impairment. Other financial assets are either assessed individually or grouped on the basis of similar credit risk characteristics.

Any reversals of impairment are recognised immediately, to the extent that the reversal does not result in a carrying amount of the financial asset that exceeds what the carrying amount would have been had the impairment not previously been recognised.

4. Investment income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Income from listed investments	97,991	97,991	100,660	100,660
Bank interest receivable from deposit account	195	195	125	125
Other interest receivable	14,254	14,254	14,772	14,772
	<u>112,440</u>	<u>112,440</u>	<u>115,557</u>	<u>115,557</u>

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5. Investment management costs

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Portfolio Management	<u>19,531</u>	<u>19,531</u>	<u>18,279</u>	<u>18,279</u>

6. Expenditure on charitable activities by fund type

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Charitable Activities	144,601	144,601	131,808	131,808
Support costs	<u>8,259</u>	<u>8,259</u>	<u>8,610</u>	<u>8,610</u>
	<u>152,860</u>	<u>152,860</u>	<u>140,418</u>	<u>140,418</u>

7. Expenditure on charitable activities by activity type

	Activities undertaken directly £	Support costs £	Total funds 2024 £	Total fund 2023 £
Charitable Activities	144,601	–	144,601	131,808
Governance costs	<u>–</u>	<u>8,259</u>	<u>8,259</u>	<u>8,610</u>
	<u>144,601</u>	<u>8,259</u>	<u>152,860</u>	<u>140,418</u>

8. Net gains on investments

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Gains/(losses) on other investment assets	<u>402,196</u>	<u>402,196</u>	<u>282,095</u>	<u>282,095</u>

9. Net income

Net income is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2024 £	2023 £
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	<u>193</u>	<u>193</u>

10. Staff costs

The total staff costs and employee benefits for the reporting period are analysed as follows:

	2024 £	2023 £
Wages and salaries	<u>17,883</u>	<u>16,918</u>

The average head count of employees during the year was 1 (2023: 1).

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10. Staff costs *(continued)*

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2023: Nil).

11. Trustee remuneration and expenses

No remuneration or other benefits from employment with the charity or a related entity were received by the trustees.

One or more trustees has claimed expenses or had their expenses met by the charity. A total of £476 (2023 - £286) was reimbursed to 1 (2023 - 1) trustee in respect of travel expenses and a total of £nil (2023 - £575) in consultancy fees was paid to 1 trustee.

12. Tangible fixed assets

	Fixtures and fittings £
Cost	
At 1 October 2023 and 30 September 2024	<u>2,804</u>
Depreciation	
At 1 October 2023	2,430
Charge for the year	<u>193</u>
At 30 September 2024	<u>2,623</u>
Carrying amount	
At 30 September 2024	<u>181</u>
At 30 September 2023	<u>374</u>

13. Investments

	Listed investments £	Other investments £	Total £
Cost or valuation			
At 1 October 2023	4,762,944	100	4,763,044
Acquisitions at cost	588,196	—	588,196
Disposals at opening book value	(643,396)	—	(643,396)
Net gains/(losses) on revaluations in the year.	<u>345,597</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>345,597</u>
At 30 September 2024	<u>5,053,341</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>5,053,441</u>
Impairment			
At 1 October 2023 and 30 September 2024		<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>
Carrying amount			
At 30 September 2024	<u>5,053,341</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>5,053,441</u>
At 30 September 2023	<u>4,762,944</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>4,763,044</u>

All investments shown above are held at valuation.

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 30 September 2024

13. Investments *(continued)*

Financial assets held at fair value

Unlisted equity investments are initially recorded at cost, and subsequently measured at fair value. If fair value cannot be reliably measured, assets are measured at cost less impairment.

Listed investments are measured at fair value with changes in fair value being recognised in income or expenditure.

Of the listed investments held, £3,712,069 (2023 - £2,832,455) related to investment assets in the UK and £1,341,272 (2023 - £1,930,489) related to investment assets outside the UK.

14. Debtors

	2024	2023
	£	£
Prepayments and accrued income	<u>38,275</u>	<u>43,286</u>

15. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	<u>2,500</u>	<u>4,800</u>

16. Analysis of charitable funds

Unrestricted funds

	At 1 October 20 23	Income £	Expenditure £	Gains and losses £	At 30 September r 2024 £
General funds	<u>4,839,860</u>	<u>112,440</u>	<u>(172,391)</u>	<u>402,196</u>	<u>5,182,105</u>

	At 1 October 20 22	Income £	Expenditure £	Gains and losses £	At 30 September 2023 £
General funds	<u>4,600,905</u>	<u>115,557</u>	<u>(158,697)</u>	<u>282,095</u>	<u>4,839,860</u>

17. Related parties

There were no related party transactions during the reporting period that are required to be disclosed under FRS 102.