

L G HARRIS TRUST

Report for Year Ending 5 April 2025

The L G Harris Trust was endowed by a gift of shares in L G Harris & Co Ltd from the company founder, Mr L G Harris, in 1964. The company was sold in 2016 and the trustees received a substantial payment for its shares. Acting on advice, the funds, which were approaching £5,000,000, were invested with the COIF funds managed by CCLA, which specialises in investing for charities. At the end of the year the value of the investments in the COIF funds managed by CCLA was £7,106,025. These are invested in a wide range of UK and Overseas equities, with a small amount in property. This represented a reduction of £369,585 from the value on 5 April 2024, which the trustees regard as a little disappointing for a period when the FTSE 100 index and the MSCI world index showed a small rise.

The CCLA managed funds pay a quarterly income to the trustees, and a total of £225,465 was received during the year, plus £9,595 in interest. The trustees, who are the children of L G Harris, have agreed a policy for making grants from the income, and during the year grants of £241,150 were made. The trustees are keen on supporting not only musical performances but also musical education for the young. In this connection grants were given to English Touring Opera, the CBSO, the Three Choirs Festival, Voces8 and the Bromsgrove Musicians Competition. They also supported some local charities including the Primrose Hospice, the Hanbury parochial charity, and the Avoncroft Museum. The trustees also contributed to a bursary scheme which enables parents, who otherwise could not afford it, to send their children to a private school in Reading linked to the Society of Friends, which offers a liberal education in attractive surroundings. They also contributed to scholarship schemes at the Royal College of Music and the Royal Birmingham Conservatoire.

The trustees held a meeting on 20th March attended by a representative of CCLA, at which various matters were discussed, and included a presentation about CCLA's current investment thinking. The trustees were linked by a video link.

Other than investment management charges and a fee paid to the person who examined the accounts, the trust operates on a purely voluntary basis, and all the income can be used for charitable donations.

Andrew Harris, Trustee July 2025

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**Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 5 April 2025**

	2025	2024
	£	£
<u>Receipts</u>		
Sale of shares	0.00	0
Donation Received	0.00	0
Additional amount from Sale of Shares	0.00	0
Drawdown from COIF Investment Funds	225,464.67	221,060
Drawdown from CCLA Deposit fund	20,000.00	25,000
Interest on deposits	9,594.57	10,588
	<hr/> 255,059.24	<hr/> 256,647
<u>Expenditure</u>		
Grants	241,150.00	222,900
Bank Charges	109.00	0
Examiners' fee	250.00	250
	<hr/> 241,509.00	<hr/> 223,150
Net Receipts over expenditure before other recognised gains and losses	13,550.24	33,497
Realised and unrealised gains on investment assets	-383,134.82	337,476
Net movement in Funds	<hr/>-369,584.58<hr/>	<hr/>370,974<hr/>

Andrew Harris, Trustee

Date

**L G HARRIS TRUST
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 5th APRIL 2025**

	2025	2024
	£	£
Revenue Account		
Balance at beginning of year	7,475,609.83	7,104,636
Net movement in funds	<u>-369,584.58</u>	<u>370,974</u>
Balance at end of year	7,106,025.25	7,475,610
 Represented by		
Lloyds Bank Current A/c	66,813.47	53,263
COIF funds bid value	6,856,835.68	7,219,971
COIF deposit account	182,626.10	202,626
Stoke Prior Properties Shares	0.00	0
Debtors	0.00	0
Creditor	<u>-250.00</u>	<u>-250</u>
	7,106,025.25	7,475,610

Andrew Harris, Trustee

Date

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of L.G.Harris Trust

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the L.G.Harris 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 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 Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



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Date:

23/8/2025