



**THE TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

For the year ending 31st December 2024





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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

For the year ending 31st December 2024

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The Trustees have pleasure in submitting their report and the Financial Statements of the Charity for the year ended 31st December 2024.

The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on pages 31 to 33 and comply with the Charity Commission Scheme, the Charities Act 2011 and 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).



STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE & MANAGEMENT

Charity Scheme

Although the origins of the charity date back to the 16th century, the current provisions regulating the purposes and administration of the charity are contained within the scheme created by order of the Charity Commissioners for England and Wales dated 4th April 2001 as amended by a special resolution passed on 14th February 2005 and as amended by a special resolution passed on the 4th March 2019. The charity is unincorporated.

Trustees

The charity currently has seventeen Trustees with two vacancies, five of the Trustees are nominated by East Staffordshire Borough Council. Nominated Trustees are appointed for a four-year term at a meeting held according to the ordinary practice of the appointing body. Co-opted Trustees are appointed for a five-year term by the trustees at a special meeting of the charity.

Co-opted Trustees are persons who through residence, occupation, employment or otherwise have special knowledge of the area of benefit. They are recruited from the network of local contacts built up by the Trustees over many years. In conducting the recruitment process the Trustees take into account the relevant skills and expertise of the existing body of trustees with the aim of redressing any perceived weaknesses.

The charity has adopted a policy of conducting a formal induction process for all new Trustees. Initially new Trustees are sent an information pack containing key documents relating to the charity and the role of a trustee and this is followed up by a meeting with the Clerk to familiarise the new Trustee with the workings of the charity, the legal and accounting framework and the obligations of a Trustee.

The charity has also adopted a policy of conducting an ongoing training process for Trustees designed to enhance their knowledge and understanding of specific areas of interest and to keep them updated on current developments. This is carried out on a group basis arranged by the Clerk or on an individual basis through external training courses run by independent bodies. Alternatively, the Clerk may issue briefing notes to the Trustees.

None of the Trustees receive remuneration from the charity, though some receive reimbursement for out of pocket expenses.

Organisational Structure

Decisions are made by the Trustees at meetings of both the Main Committee and the various sub-committees which have been set up to aid the smooth running of the charity. Some decisions of the sub-committees require ratification by the Main Committee.

The administration of the charity is performed by the Clerk and the Assistant Clerk.

The Policy and Resources Sub-Committee is responsible for managing the finance, administration and governance of the charity.

The Almshouses Sub-Committee is responsible for the management of the almshouses.



Grants to organisations are awarded by the Main Committee. Grants to individuals for relief in need are awarded by the Small Grants Sub-Committee.

The Educational Sub-Committee is responsible for giving financial assistance in the form of grants to individuals for the purpose of advancing their education or personal development (including sport and the arts) and also awards bursaries to students taking university degree courses.

The Sub-Committees are made up as follows;

Policy and Resources

Mr C B Robinson MBE BEM DL (Chair)
Cllr Mrs P L Ackroyd (Vice Chair)
Mr G Brown
Mrs M A Heather
Mr D C Leese
Mrs S L Phillips
Mr K Williamson (Resigned 19/05/2025)

Small Grants

Mrs S L Phillips (Chair)
Mr R G Fargher (Vice Chair) (Resigned 29/07/2025)
Mrs P L Ackroyd
Mr R J Clarke
Cllr Mr S P Gaskin
Mr C B Robinson MBE BEM DL
Miss D Upton
Cllr Mrs L Walker
Mr P Clulow (Appointed 12/6/2024)

Almshouses

Mrs P L Ackroyd (Chair)
Mr G Brown (Vice Chair)
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Mr D C Leese
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Educational

Mrs M A Heather (Chair)
Mr D C Leese (Vice Chair)
Mr R G Fargher (Resigned 29/07/2025)
Cllr Mr D F Fletcher
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Mrs S L Phillips
Rev'd R F Styles
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Risk Management

The Trustees manage and govern the charity in such a way as to minimise exposure to any potential risks, be they governance, operational, financial, compliance or other risks, whilst ensuring that the objectives and operation of the charity are not compromised.

During the year risks to which the charity could have been exposed to were identified and reviewed by the Trustees and systems or procedures have been established to manage those risks.



OBJECTIVES & ACTIVITIES

Objects

The objects of the charity are to benefit the inhabitants of the town of Burton upon Trent and the neighbouring parishes of Anslow, Barton Under Needwood, Branston, Brizlincote, Dunstall, Hanbury, Stretton, Tutbury, Rolleston on Dove, Tatenhill and Rangemore and the existing civil parish of Outwoods and Outwoods South.

- The provision of almshouse accommodation for the poor.
- The promotion of any charitable purpose through the provision of financial assistance to individuals who are in need and to organisations which serve the community.

Aims

In conducting the business of the Charity, the Trustees have the following aims:

1. To operate a sufficient number of almshouses to satisfy the need for independent accommodation for qualifying residents.
2. To repair and maintain the charity's almshouses to preserve the buildings for the benefit of future generations.
3. To meet requests for financial assistance from individuals, resident in the area of benefit who are in need by reason of youth, age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage.
4. To offer financial support to individuals, resident in the area of benefit for the advancement of their education or personal development (including sport and the arts).
5. To offer financial assistance to not-for-profit organisations operating for the benefit of the local community.
6. To maintain a high level of awareness amongst all sectors of the local community of the availability of the charities almshouses and its various grant schemes.

Objectives

The Trustees set the following main objectives for the year:

1. To balance the budget so that income generated matches expenditure over a five-year period, taking into consideration exceptional gains and losses in the Investment Portfolio.
2. To ensure the returns from the charity's investments meet the performance targets specified in the Investment Policy.
3. To maintain the short-term adjustment to the investment portfolio to favour income though not to jeopardise significantly capital growth.
4. To review the returns from the charity's investment property portfolio and the High Street properties in particular.
5. To keep the almshouses occupied with a minimum target of 90% occupancy over the year.
6. To keep the almshouse properties maintained and in good condition.
7. To offer comfort and support to the almshouse residents by providing warden assistance and an efficient and responsive community call system.



8. To manage the scheme for grants to organisations, grants to individuals for relief in need and grants to individuals for education and personal development (including sport and the arts) to serve the needs of all sectors of the local community.
9. To manage the Bursary Scheme and award forty bursaries to the most deserving students.
10. To monitor grants awarded to not-for-profit organisations to ensure the Charity's resources are utilised for maximum effect and for the public benefit.
11. Adopt a revised Investment Policy Statement which is robust and effective.

Strategies & Significant Activities

In order to achieve the objectives, the trustees adopted the following strategies and carried out the following significant activities:

- The Main Committee monitored the range and distribution of grant applications from organisations and in each case considered whether or not an award would be of public benefit. The trustees monitored the ongoing distribution and future sustainability of grants and considered whether an award would be of public benefit.
- The Policy & Resources Sub-Committee examined detailed management accounts on a quarterly basis. Actual income and expenditure were compared against the budget and the performance of the charity's financial and property investments was closely scrutinised. The Policy & Resources Sub-Committee conducted a review of the Charity's commercial property insurance arrangements and the provision of trustees' indemnity insurance. The Policy & Resources Sub-Committee liaised closely with the Main Committee and the other sub-committees to ensure that anticipated expenditure could be met within the overall budgetary constraints.
- The Small Grants Sub-Committee met regularly to manage the demand for the relief in need grants scheme. The Small Grants Sub-Committee also liaised with local support agencies to promote the scheme and ensure it remained relevant and useful to those beneficiaries most in need of assistance.
- The Almshouse Sub-Committee met regularly to exercise control over the management of the almshouse properties and review the welfare of the almshouse residents. During the year the Almshouse Sub-Committee continued with the refurbishment schedule as properties became vacant and appointed new residents to available properties. The Almshouse Sub-Committee also had responsibility for managing the employment of two wardens and conducted appraisals of their performance and managing the operation of the community call system.
- The Educational Sub-Committee met regularly to consider the operation of the educational grants scheme. The Sub-Committee also reviewed the working of the bursary scheme and liaised with headteachers and heads of sixth form on an ad hoc basis.



Grant-making policies

The Trustees confirm they have referred to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when setting the charity's grant-making policies.

For each scheme, the Trustees aim to make the application process as simple as possible whilst extracting the key information needed to make a fair and balanced decision.

Each scheme is allocated an annual budget to which the Trustees generally aim to adhere without it fettering their discretion when considering the merits of any, particular application.

A. GRANTS TO ORGANISATIONS

Applications for grants from organisations are considered by the Main Committee which currently meets four times a year, two of these meetings are grant award meetings. It is the Trustees' policy to award a broad range of grants to a wide cross-section of the community.

Applications from organisations are categorised as follows:

- Health, Social Welfare & Care
- Sport, Recreation & Leisure
- Education & Youth Development
- Voluntary Groups - Buildings
- Voluntary Groups - Equipment
- Voluntary Groups - Overheads
- Faith
- Community, Environmental & Heritage

The overriding principle is that each grant application should be considered on its merits. The Trustees, without fettering their discretion, consider the following questions when considering the merits of an application;

- What proportion of the beneficiaries are resident in the area of benefit?
- How many beneficiaries are there likely to be?
- Is the applicant based in the area of benefit?
- How needy is the organisation/beneficiaries?
- How essential is the item applied for to the running of the organisation?
- What would be the detriment to the applicant/community if the grant was not made?
- What reserves does the applying organisation have in its balance sheet?
- Has the applicant sought funding from elsewhere?
- Where the applicant is a club with members, have they generated some of their funds for themselves?

The Trustees also take account of the past history of applications and awards to the applicant. This includes publicity given to the charity, compliance with grant monitoring procedures and the impact made by previous grants.



B. RELIEF IN NEED GRANTS

The Relief in Need grant scheme is for people in difficult circumstances who are in need by reason of ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage.

The scheme primarily provides financial assistance for those in need to purchase essential items such as;

- Cookers, fridge freezers and washing machines
- Carpets, furniture and bedding
- Mobility aids
- School uniforms.

All applications must be accompanied by a letter of support from a support worker or other suitable professional and provide proof of income and expenditure. Applications are considered by the Small Grants Sub-Committee on an ongoing basis.

To prevent abuse of the system the trustees have adopted the following guidelines;

- The Trustees will not award grants to clear debt.
- The maximum award for all items is £750 per year.
- A maximum of three applications will be awarded in a five year period.

C. GRANTS TO INDIVIDUALS FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF THEIR EDUCATION OR PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT (INCLUDING SPORT AND THE ARTS)

Applications are considered by the Educational Sub-Committee on an ongoing basis. Clear evidence of the need for financial support must be demonstrated.

- The maximum award is £300 in any one year
- Applicants must provide evidence that they have a place on the course, event or project for which they are seeking assistance



D. BURSARIES

Applications are considered by the Educational Sub-Committee. All applications must be accompanied by a personal statement from the applicant and a confidential supporting statement from the school or college.

Bursaries are only paid for three academic years of a degree course and no payments will be made during paid placements. Payments will only be made if the applicant provides evidence that satisfactory progress is being made throughout the course.

A maximum of forty bursaries are awarded each year (but in exceptional circumstances this may be increased at the discretion of the Trustees). When considering the awards, the Trustees assess each application according to the following criteria:

- Financial need
- Academic ability
- Leadership, positions of responsibility and involvement in school or community activities

The maximum award is £1,650, split equally over three years.



ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Balancing the budget

The Trustees budgeted to report an operating surplus of £122 over the year. The result for the year is a surplus of £76,621 the major differences being;

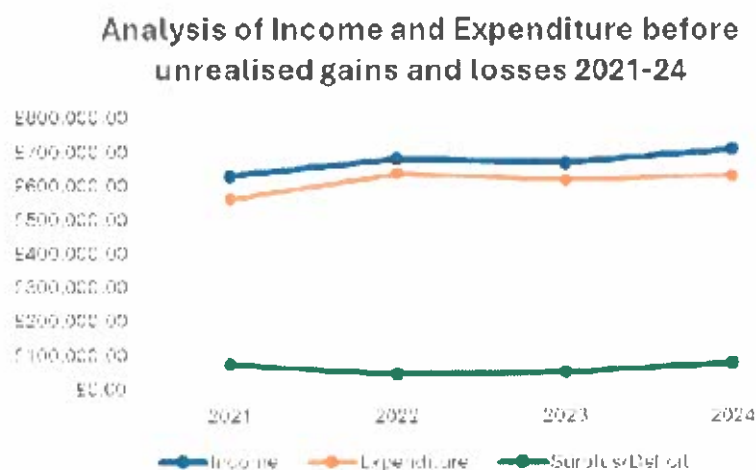
Income received was higher than expected by £38,000.

Investment property repairs totalled £17,936 an increase in spend of £12,859 over budget. During the year the Charity has continued the major repair and improvement programme started during 2016 to the Almshouses and the total spend for the year was £38,908.

Organisation grants awarded were £33,677, higher than budgeted and relief in need payments were £2,804 higher than budgeted.

Over the 5 year period, there is a surplus of income over expenditure.

**Analysis of income and expenditure before unrealised gains and losses
2021-24**



Investment Performance

There was a decrease in rental income to £118,100, however, occupancy level remains high.

There was an increase of 7% in income from the financial investments. The capital value of the financial investment portfolio increased by 3%.



Almshouses

Almshouses are dwellings provided by a benefactor for people in need and administered by a body of voluntary trustees. They provide disadvantaged people, mostly elderly, with affordable housing enabling residents to retain their independence and to live in their local community.

The Consolidated Charity has 29 almshouses in Burton upon Trent ranging from listed buildings to modern bungalows spread over two sites in Burton (Wellington Street and Rangemore Street) and two sites in Winhill (Hawfield Lane and Wheatley Lane).



Wellington Street

The charity employs wardens to inspect the almshouses on a daily basis and visit the residents to ensure their well-being. The charity does not provide care or medical assistance. During the year the charity employed one full time warden and one part-time warden. Staff costs for the year amounted to £36,315 (2023: £31,884).

The charity maintains a community call system at a cost this year of £8,524 (2023: £10,353).

There was an increase in weekly maintenance income to £153,995 as the occupancy level remains high. (2023: £139,945).

The total occupancy level for the year was 99% which was above the set target of 90%.

Closely advised by the charity's property agents the trustees spent a total of £87,120 (2023: £75,857) during the year on the maintenance and upkeep of the almshouses. The trustees have committed to a complete refurbishment programme of the Almshouses as and when they become available.

In accordance with the charity's governing document, the trustees have established an Extraordinary Repair Fund to provide for the extraordinary repair, improvement or rebuilding of the almshouses and a Cyclical Maintenance Fund to provide for ordinary maintenance and repair. At the year end the Extraordinary Repair Fund amounted to £20,235 and the Cyclical Maintenance Fund £2,835. The Trustees also made provision of £259,940 via the Extraordinary Repair Top-Up Fund.

The residents are charged an average weekly maintenance contribution of £102 per week.



Hawfield Lane



Grants to Individuals

A. RELIEF IN NEED

The charity recognises that many people can find themselves in difficult circumstances often through no fault of their own. Whilst the state provides a wide range of benefits and support there are some instances where people need help and the state cannot assist.

The Trustees received an increase demand for the scheme over the year following a successful support worker meeting, offering an overview of the application process and awareness to local support workers in the community. In 2024 a total of 162 grants were awarded totalling £92,804 (2023: 142 totalling £82,759).

B. BURSARY SCHEME

The bursary scheme aims to help a maximum of forty undergraduate students resident in the charity's area of benefit with the costs associated with studying for a university degree. The Trustees introduced the scheme in 1998 in the wake of the reduction in student grants and the introduction of tuition fees.

The schools and colleges included in the bursary scheme are Abbot Beyne School, Burton and South Derbyshire District College, De Ferrers Specialist Technology College, John Taylor High School, John Taylor Free School and Paget High School, Paulet High School.

This year there was a decrease in demand for the bursary scheme within 33 applicants applying for a bursary, compared to 45 applications in 2023.

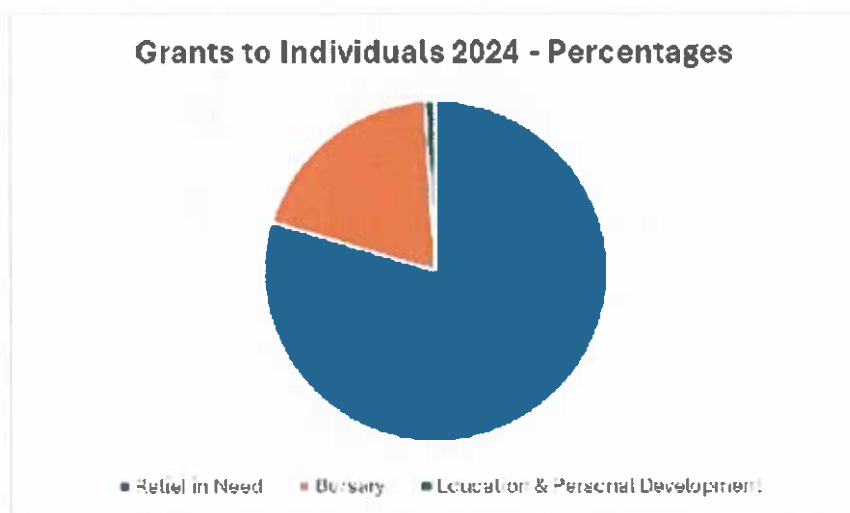
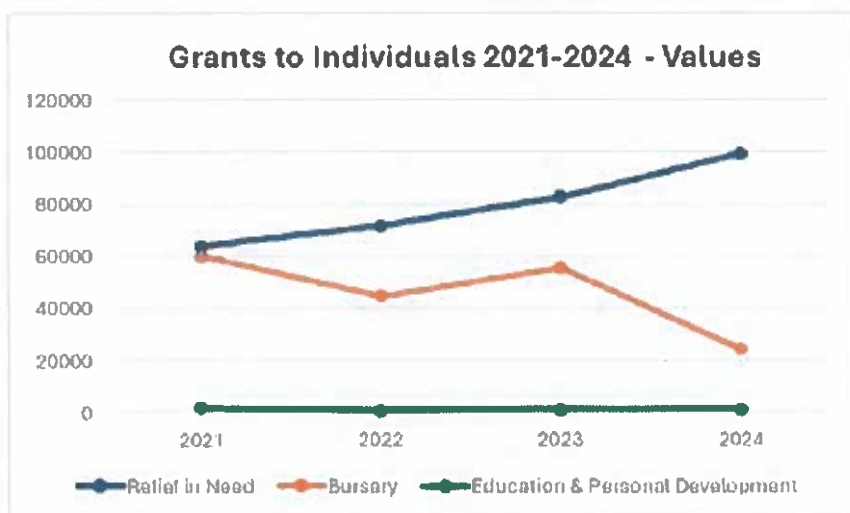
This year a total of 33 bursaries of £550 per annum for three years were awarded with 26 of those bursaries being claimed.

C. EDUCATION AND PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT (INCLUDING SPORT AND THE ARTS)

The charity receives requests for financial assistance from individuals for a variety of other purposes including;

- Further education and vocational training
- Overseas trips for personal development
- Sports activities
- Arts scholarships

4 grants were awarded this year totalling £1,123.60 (2023: 5 grants totalling £1,050).





Grants to Organisations

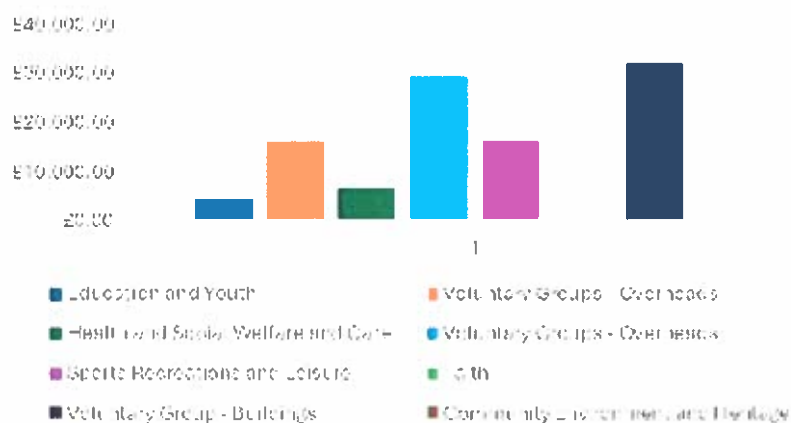
Numerous organisations such as churches, registered charities and voluntary groups request help towards various projects, each of significant importance to these bodies and to the residents of the charity's area of benefit.

It is the policy of the charity to aim to balance its grant-making to benefit all sections of the community equally. The charity makes both capital and revenue grants.

Some organisations that ask for help operate outside the charity's area of benefit but still provide vital help or services for the residents within the area of benefit. Grants made to such organisations are calculated on a proportionate basis.

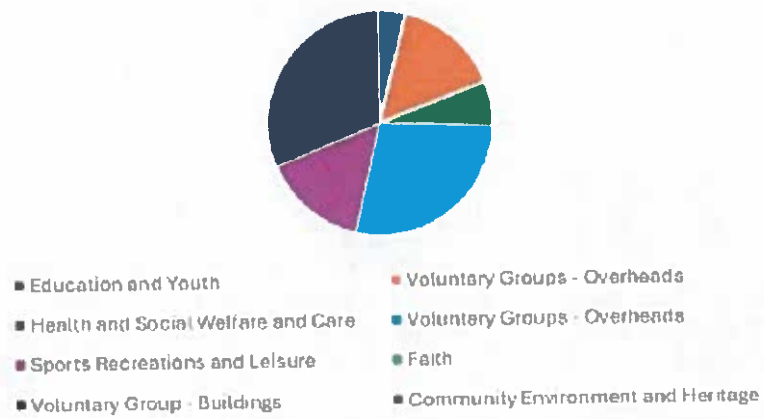
Grants totalling £104,116.96 were awarded to organisations during the year with £20,000 outstanding at the year end. (2023: £97,045 with £35,940 outstanding). The Trustees were satisfied with the spread of grants awarded which were analysed as follows;

Grants to Organisations 2024 - Values





Grants to Organisations 2024 - Percentage





The following grants were awarded in 2024:

Education and Youth

Eagles Nest Project £5,000.00



'The £5,000 we received from Consolidated Charity was crucial during those early days of settling into our new building. It eased some of the pressures in those first few months and has been a contributing factor to our expansion.'

Charlotte Busby, Bid Write and Fundraiser

Sports, Recreation and Leisure

Burton Amateur Swimming Club - £1,447.00

'It enabled the club to accommodate more members of the public in Burton to join our club.'

Heather Fisher, Fundraising Officer

Stapenhill Bowls Club - £2,000.00

Stretton Anglesey Bowls Club - £2,000.00

'Very important support from the Consolidated Charity was vital to the project'

Neil Brown, Vice Chairman



Abbot Beyne School - £10,000



This new facility will play a key role in enhancing our BTEC Sport & Core PE provision, giving students the opportunity to learn about and experience the practical benefits of physical fitness first-hand. Whether they are working towards a qualification or simply aiming to improve their overall health and performance, the suit will offer a welcoming and motivating environment for all

Joanna's Dance Academy - £300.00

'This grant will cover the cost of costumes which is one less expense for parents. Without funding our trip would not be possible as the costs would be too high'

Joanna Walker, Dance Principal

Voluntary Group - Building

Anslow Village Hall - £4,000.00



The grant enabled us when applying to other bodies for grants that we had already been successful in obtaining funding'

Liz Staples, Treasurer/Trustee



Carver Road Community Centre - £3,000.00

Girlguiding UK – Burton upon Trent Division - £20,000.00

Voluntary Group Equipment

YMCA Burton - £8,000.00

The fund from Consolidated Charity were the icing on the cake and enabled us to produce two vans for this work'

Andy Horsnail, Operations Manager



Barton Hockey Club - £4,380.00

Winhill Allotment and Cottage Gardens Association - £3,534.00



Voluntary Groups Overheads

Little Theatre Company - £4,500.00



'LTC is self funding so this grant is the only financial support we receive. It allows us to bring affordable productions to the local area. Without the grant we would have no premises to build and store sets and props and this would have a dire impact on the quality of performances we could provide to the community.'

Susan McPhee, Secretary

Burton Youth For Christ - £8,946.00

'Your grant has been extremely important in enabling us to maintain our current capacity delivering vital youth and children's work and services without Burton upon Trent this year.'

Sue Garb, Centre Director

Winhill FC - £260.00

'It has enabled us to train an additional coach for the new team going into the season. Also to recruit further volunteers to grow capacity of sessions and fundraising in the club. Additional volunteers are lined up for our summer tournament and supporting coaches. This creates more opportunities for children to engage with physical activity.'

Health and Social Welfare and Care

Children's Hospital Pyjamas - £1,500.00



St Giles Hospice - £5,000.00

'The grant from the Consolidated Charity is vital to the completion of St Giles Hospice's inpatient care unit refurbishment and clinical equipment project'.

Stella Pass, Trusts and Foundations Manager





FINANCIAL REVIEW

The General Fund increase of £73,644 in 2024 was maintained by the monitoring of cashflow on a daily basis.

2024 was another volatile year for investment markets and activity in the year resulted in gains in the value of the financial investment portfolio of 3.2%.

At the end of the year the net assets of the charity stood at £16,941,028, an increase of 3%.

Reserves Policy

The Trustees consider an appropriate level of reserves should be held to ensure the charity has sufficient resources to meet its ongoing expenditure and to allow time for reorganisation in the event of an unforeseen increase in expenditure or liabilities or an unexpected downturn in income or asset values.

The Trustees have made an assessment of the risks and other issues facing the charity and have considered it prudent to set a target level of reserves at an amount equivalent to the estimated total annual expenditure of the charity.

The Reserves Policy is reviewed annually by the Policy & Resources Sub-Committee.

The amount held as Reserves in General Funds at 31st December 2024 was £1,010,492 which was greater than the target level of £887,200.

The Trustees have recognised the need to designate certain amounts held within General Funds to meet future commitments. The need for these Designated Funds and the amounts designated are reviewed annually.

- The charity's governing document requires the trustees to maintain funds for the extraordinary repair, improvement or rebuilding of the charity's almshouses. The charity has a Restricted Fund for this purpose, but the trustees consider this is insufficient to meet the charity's future commitments. The trustees have therefore designated additional funds to meet these commitments and these are held in the Extraordinary Repair Top-Up Fund. At the end of the year the Extraordinary Repair Top-Up Fund amounted to £259,940. When combined with the Restricted Fund the charity has set aside a total of £880,175 for extraordinary repairs which the trustees consider sufficient to meet the charity's future commitments.
- In accordance with the requirements of the charity's governing document the trustees have designated funds to meet future commitments for the ordinary repairs and maintenance of the charity's almshouses and these are held in the Cyclical Maintenance Fund. At the end of the year the Fund amounted to £2,835 which the trustees consider sufficient to meet the charity's future commitments.



- The Grants Fund is intended to enable the trustees to maintain their capacity for making grants whilst balancing the needs of present and future beneficiaries. At the end of the year the sum held in the Grants Fund was £5,365,414.

The Almshouse market value on 31st December 2024 was £1,860,000.

The Commercial investment properties on 31st December 2024 was £1,315,000.

Investment Policy

The Trustees' investment objectives are to seek a balance between income and capital growth whilst being exposed to a medium/high level of risk. Advice is taken from the charity's investment managers and the portfolio is reviewed and compared against established benchmarks on a regular basis.

The Investment Policy is reviewed annually by the Policy & Resources Sub-Committee.

Bearing in mind the performance of financial markets, the trustees are satisfied with the performance of the investments of the charity during the financial year (see page 10). However continuing pressure on the charity's budget has caused the Trustees to retain the short-term instruction to the investment managers to adjust the investment portfolio to favour income though not to jeopardise significantly capital growth.

PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

The almshouse refurbishment programme is to continue as and when properties become vacant with 75% of this programme being complete at the end of the year.



Trustees Responsibilities

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) the Charities Act 2011, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed 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
- Make judgement 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 assume that the Charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose, with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the Charity and to 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.

This report was approved by the Trustees at a meeting held on

Signed

Date

22/4/25

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF CONSOLIDATED CHARITY OF BURTON UPON TRENT

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Consolidated Charity of Burton upon Trent (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 December 2024 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement 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 (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 2024 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, 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 Auditors' 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 charity'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 Annual Report, other than the financial statements and our Report of the Independent Auditors 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 this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we 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 where the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

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

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the 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.

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF CONSOLIDATED CHARITY OF BURTON UPON TRENT

Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditors under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

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 a Report of the Independent Auditors 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.

The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

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 extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

In identifying and assessing the risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, we considered the following:

- The nature and control environment of the charity
- Our discussions with management and governance including whether they had knowledge of any actual, suspected or alleged fraud
- The internal controls to mitigate the risks of fraud

Following our review, we have identified the following areas which are deemed to have the greatest potential for fraud or material misstatement within the financial statements:

- The recognition of rental income from freehold investment properties
- The recognition of weekly contributions from freehold alms house properties
- The recognition of investment income from financial investments
- The valuation of estimates in respect of freehold investment properties and freehold alms-house properties
- The valuation of financial investments
- Management override

We also considered any laws and regulations that were central to the operation of the charity including charity law, employment law and health and safety.

The following procedures were undertaken in respect of the risks where we identified the potential for material misstatement:

At the planning stage of the audit, we reviewed controls put in place by the board of trustees including a review of their risk assessment. We also carried out a review of the minutes of trustee meetings.

Income transaction testing was performed to test completeness of income. This included agreeing rental income to leases in respect of freehold investment properties and carrying out a review of weekly contributions from freehold alms house properties to ensure that all properties received regular income in the year. Where there were periods of no income in respect of freehold investment and alms-house properties, we referred to Trustees' Board minutes to justify the reasons for this. We also agreed the percentage increase in weekly contribution rates applied at the start of the financial year to the percentage rise sanctioned in the Trustees' Board minutes.

In respect of investment income from dividends and interest, we agreed the total income per the financial statements to an annual summary of the quarterly reports prepared by the charity's investment managers.

We tested the valuation of estimates in respect of freehold investment properties and alms-houses by agreeing to the latest professional valuations and reviewing and testing procedures undertaken by the trustees to update this valuation including consideration of the use of experts. We gave due consideration of the use of experts.

Consideration was given to the reliance on the use of experts in respect of the management of the financial investments.

A sample of journal entries were tested for appropriateness and enquiries made of management as to the procedures in place for posting journal entries. During our audit we considered any large, unusual journals or transactions outside the normal course of business which were highlighted as a result of our testing.

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF CONSOLIDATED CHARITY OF BURTON UPON TRENT

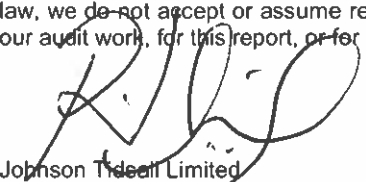
The financial statements were reviewed alongside our disclosure checklists to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships or any areas of non-compliance. Discussions were held with management where it was considered additional disclosures were required.

We remained alert to any indications of fraud, material misstatement or non-compliance with laws and regulations throughout the audit including those relating to the financial statements.

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. This description forms part of our Report of the Independent Auditors.

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 auditors' 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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Date:

20/10/2025

CONSOLIDATED CHARITY OF BURTON UPON TRENT

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment fund £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM						
Charitable activities	4					
Alms-houses		153,995	-	-	153,995	139,945
Investment income	3	336,847	14,908	202,904	554,659	527,514
Total		490,842	14,908	202,904	708,654	667,459
EXPENDITURE ON						
Raising funds	5	136,320	2,375	-	138,695	126,042
Charitable activities	6					
Alms-houses		175,806	24,010	-	199,816	184,106
Grant making		250,805	-	-	250,805	266,929
Governance		42,717	-	-	42,717	41,562
Total		605,648	26,385	-	632,033	618,639
Net gains on investments		195,393	20,367	203,812	419,572	672,602
NET INCOME		80,587	8,890	406,716	496,193	721,422
Transfers between funds	19	185,955	-	(185,955)	-	-
Net movement in funds		266,542	8,890	220,761	496,193	721,422
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS						
Total funds brought forward		6,999,599	1,919,365	7,525,871	16,444,835	15,723,413
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		7,266,141	1,928,255	7,746,632	16,941,028	16,444,835

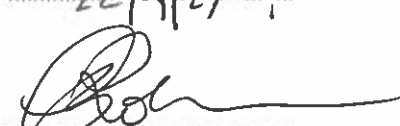
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CONSOLIDATED CHARITY OF BURTON UPON TRENT

BALANCE SHEET 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment fund £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS						
Tangible assets	13	465,200	1,397,701	-	1,862,901	1,863,137
Investments						
Investments	14	6,307,323	530,554	6,431,632	13,269,509	12,872,401
Investment property	15	-	-	1,315,000	1,315,000	1,315,000
		6,772,523	1,928,255	7,756,632	16,447,410	16,050,538
CURRENT ASSETS						
Debtors	16	40,338	-	-	40,338	37,555
Cash at bank and in hand		671,444	-	-	671,444	529,813
		711,782	-	-	711,782	567,368
CREDITORS						
Amounts falling due within one year	17	(205,164)	-	-	(205,164)	(139,571)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		506,618	-	-	506,618	427,797
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		7,279,141	1,928,255	7,746,632	16,954,028	16,478,335
CREDITORS						
Amounts falling due after more than one year	18	(13,000)	-	-	(13,000)	(33,500)
NET ASSETS		7,266,141	1,928,255	7,746,632	16,941,028	16,444,835
FUNDS	19					
Unrestricted funds					7,266,141	6,999,599
Restricted funds					1,928,255	1,919,365
Endowment funds					7,746,632	7,525,871
TOTAL FUNDS					16,941,028	16,444,835

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 22/9/25 and were signed on its behalf by:


Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

CONSOLIDATED CHARITY OF BURTON UPON TRENT

CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from operations	1	<u>(520,086)</u>	<u>(560,832)</u>
Net cash used in operating activities		<u>(520,086)</u>	<u>(560,832)</u>
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(207)	(5,443)
Sale of fixed asset investments		22,461	47,859
Interest received		<u>436,559</u>	<u>407,563</u>
Net cash provided by investing activities		<u>458,813</u>	<u>449,979</u>
Cash flows from financing activities			
Income attributable to endowment		<u>202,904</u>	<u>192,371</u>
Net cash provided by financing activities		<u>202,904</u>	<u>192,371</u>
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		141,631	81,518
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		<u>529,813</u>	<u>448,295</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		<u>671,444</u>	<u>529,813</u>

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CONSOLIDATED CHARITY OF BURTON UPON TRENT

NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

1. RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2024 £	2023 £
Net income for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities)	496,193	721,422
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	443	2,309
Gain on investments	(419,572)	(672,602)
Interest received	(436,559)	(407,563)
Income attributable to endowment	(202,904)	(192,371)
Increase in debtors	(2,783)	(8,240)
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	45,093	(3,787)
Net cash used in operations	(520,086)	(560,832)

2. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

	At 1/1/24 £	Cash flow £	At 31/12/24 £
Net cash			
Cash at bank and in hand	529,813	141,631	671,444
	529,813	141,631	671,444
Total	529,813	141,631	671,444

The notes form part of these financial statements

CONSOLIDATED CHARITY OF BURTON UPON TRENT

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

1. STATUTORY INFORMATION

Consolidated Charity of Burton upon Trent is a charity, registered in England and Wales. The charity's registered charity number and business address can be found in the reference and administrative details of the Report of the Trustees.

2. 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 financial statements are prepared in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

Accounting judgements and estimates

The key source of estimation uncertainty in the financial statements is property valuation. The almshouses and investment properties are professionally valued every five years and considered annually by the trustees.

Going concern

The trustees regularly monitor the charity's reserves policy and risk assessment. Cash flow is monitored on a regular basis and the charity continues to receive rents from its investment properties, weekly contributions from its almshouses and investment income from its extensive portfolio. To date, no material uncertainties exist that would affect the preparation of the financial statements on a going concern basis.

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.

Donations, legacies and similar incoming resources are included in the year in which they are receivable, which is when the charity becomes entitled to the resource.

Income from quoted investments and interest on short term deposits is accounted for in the year in which it is receivable.

Rental income is included in the period to which it relates. Amounts received in advance are deferred to the following period.

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.

Raising funds

This relates to direct expenditure incurred in managing and maintaining the investments plus an apportionment of support costs.

CONSOLIDATED CHARITY OF BURTON UPON TRENT

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Charitable activities

This relates to expenditure on grants and direct expenditure incurred in the provision of almshouse accommodation plus an apportionment of support costs.

Grants payable are charged in full in the year in which they are awarded.

Governance costs

Governance costs are direct expenditure incurred in providing the governance infrastructure which allows the charity to operate and to generate the information required for public accountability plus an apportionment of support costs.

Allocation and apportionment of costs

Support costs represent the general management and administration costs of the charity. They are allocated to the relevant cost category on the basis of time incurred as follows:

Raising funds:		
	Financial investments	10%
	Investment properties	10%
	Weekly maintenance contributions	5%
Charitable activities:		
	Grantmaking	25%
	Almshouses	25%
Governance		25%

Tangible fixed assets

Freehold property is included at a fair valuation and no provision for depreciation has been made as it is considered that market value is not less than original cost. The freehold property is revalued every 5 years.

The cost of other tangible fixed assets is written off in equal instalments over a period of four years.

Investment property

Investment property is shown at most recent valuation. Any aggregate surplus or deficit arising from changes in fair value is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Investment properties are included at fair value at the balance sheet date and are professionally revalued every five years. The trustees consider the values of the investment properties on an annual basis in the years where a professional valuation is not carried out.

Fixed asset investments

Financial investments are stated at a fair valuation at the balance sheet date and are revalued annually.

Gains and losses on disposal and revaluation of investments are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA).

Debtors and creditors

Trade debtors and creditors are recognised at the invoiced amount after any discount offered. Prepayments and accruals are valued at the amount calculated.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

The charity has restricted, unrestricted and endowment funds. All funds are used to benefit and promote its charitable objects.

CONSOLIDATED CHARITY OF BURTON UPON TRENT

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Fund accounting

Restricted funds are those which can only be applied by the trustees for a particular purpose. Income generated from assets held in these funds may only be applied for the same purpose.

Unrestricted funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees' discretion in furtherance of any objectives of the charity.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds set aside at the discretion of the trustees for specific purposes.

Endowment funds must be retained by the charity and cannot be spent. The income generated from the assets held in these funds is first applied to the cost of maintaining those assets. Surplus income is available for expenditure by the trustees in accordance with the objects of the charity.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charity's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

Financial instruments

Financial instruments are classified and accounted for, according to the substance of the contractual arrangement, as either financial assets, financial liabilities or equity instruments. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the company after deducting all of its liabilities.

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2024	2023
	£	£
Rents received	118,100	119,951
Dividends and interest	<u>436,559</u>	<u>407,563</u>
	<u>554,659</u>	<u>527,514</u>

4. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2024	2023
	Alms-houses	Total
	£	activities
	£	£
Weekly maintenance contributions	<u>153,995</u>	<u>139,945</u>

CONSOLIDATED CHARITY OF BURTON UPON TRENT

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

5. RAISING FUNDS

Raising donations and legacies

	2024	2023
	£	£
Investment management fees	70,583	66,412
Maintenance expenses	17,936	5,077
Establishment expenses	3,574	7,593
Other costs	12,510	10,044
Bad debts	-	65
Legal fees	4,373	6,276
	<u>108,976</u>	<u>95,467</u>

Other trading activities

	2024	2023
	£	£
Support costs	<u>17,832</u>	<u>18,346</u>

Investment management costs

	2024	2023
	£	£
Support costs	<u>11,887</u>	<u>12,229</u>

Aggregate amounts	<u>138,695</u>	<u>126,042</u>
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6. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs (see note 7)	Grant funding of activities (see note 8)	Support costs (see note 9)	Totals
	£	£	£	£
Alms-houses	170,096	-	29,720	199,816
Grant making	-	221,085	29,720	250,805
Governance	-	-	42,717	42,717
	<u>170,096</u>	<u>221,085</u>	<u>102,157</u>	<u>493,338</u>

CONSOLIDATED CHARITY OF BURTON UPON TRENT

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

7. DIRECT COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2024	2023
	£	£
Staff costs	36,315	31,884
Maintenance expenses	87,120	75,857
Establishment expenses	22,484	23,803
Other costs	24,177	21,987
	<u>170,096</u>	<u>153,531</u>

8. GRANTS PAYABLE

	2024	2023
	£	£
Grant making	<u>221,085</u>	<u>236,354</u>

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

	2024	2023
	£	£
Health, social welfare and care	5,310	756
Sport, recreation and leisure	15,747	19,789
Education and youth development	5,000	10,000
Voluntary groups - Buildings	35,000	-
Voluntary groups - Equipment	7,914	-
Voluntary groups - Overheads	33,206	6,500
Faith	-	59,000
Community, environment and heritage	-	1,000
	<u>102,177</u>	<u>97,045</u>

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

	2024	2023
	£	£
Health, social welfare and care	1,500	-
Relief in need	92,804	82,759
Bursaries	24,304	55,500
Education and youth development	300	1,050
	<u>118,908</u>	<u>139,309</u>

CONSOLIDATED CHARITY OF BURTON UPON TRENT

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

9. SUPPORT COSTS

	Management £	Governance costs £	Totals £
Other trading activities	17,832	-	17,832
Investment management costs	11,887	-	11,887
Alms-houses	29,720	-	29,720
Grant making	29,720	-	29,720
Governance	29,720	12,997	42,717
	<u>118,879</u>	<u>12,997</u>	<u>131,876</u>

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

Management

	Other trading activities Alms-houses £	Investment management costs £	£
Clerk's remuneration	17,464	11,642	29,106
Bank charges	55	36	91
Other costs	313	209	523
	<u>17,832</u>	<u>11,887</u>	<u>29,720</u>

	Grant making £	Governance £	2024 Total activities £	2023 Total activities £
Clerk's remuneration	29,106	29,106	116,424	116,424
Bank charges	91	91	364	375
Other costs	523	523	2,091	5,501
	<u>29,720</u>	<u>29,720</u>	<u>118,879</u>	<u>122,300</u>

Governance costs

	2024 Governance £	2023 Total activities £
Auditors' remuneration	10,900	9,240
Other costs	2,097	1,747
	<u>12,997</u>	<u>10,987</u>

CONSOLIDATED CHARITY OF BURTON UPON TRENT

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

10. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2024 nor for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2024 nor for the year ended 31 December 2023.

11. STAFF COSTS

	2024 £	2023 £
Wages and salaries	35,648	31,342
Other pension costs	667	542
	<u>36,315</u>	<u>31,884</u>

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2024	2023
Wardens (part- time)	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

12. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment fund £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM				
Charitable activities				
Alms-houses	139,945	-	-	139,945
Investment income	<u>320,405</u>	<u>14,738</u>	<u>192,371</u>	<u>527,514</u>
Total	<u>460,350</u>	<u>14,738</u>	<u>192,371</u>	<u>667,459</u>
EXPENDITURE ON				
Raising funds	123,874	2,168	-	126,042
Charitable activities				
Alms-houses	160,817	23,289	-	184,106
Grant making	266,929	-	-	266,929
Governance	<u>41,562</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>41,562</u>
Total	<u>593,182</u>	<u>25,457</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>618,639</u>

CONSOLIDATED CHARITY OF BURTON UPON TRENT

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

12. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment fund £	Total funds £
Net gains on investments	<u>323,369</u>	<u>22,849</u>	<u>326,384</u>	<u>672,602</u>
NET INCOME	190,537	12,130	518,755	721,422
Transfers between funds	<u>190,423</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(190,423)</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds	380,960	12,130	328,332	721,422
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS				
Total funds brought forward	<u>6,618,639</u>	<u>1,907,235</u>	<u>7,197,539</u>	<u>15,723,413</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>6,999,599</u>	<u>1,919,365</u>	<u>7,525,871</u>	<u>16,444,835</u>

13. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST OR VALUATION			
At 1 January 2024	1,860,000	7,026	1,867,026
Additions	<u>-</u>	<u>207</u>	<u>207</u>
At 31 December 2024	<u>1,860,000</u>	<u>7,233</u>	<u>1,867,233</u>
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 January 2024	-	3,889	3,889
Charge for year	<u>-</u>	<u>443</u>	<u>443</u>
At 31 December 2024	<u>-</u>	<u>4,332</u>	<u>4,332</u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 December 2024	<u>1,860,000</u>	<u>2,901</u>	<u>1,862,901</u>
At 31 December 2023	<u>1,860,000</u>	<u>3,137</u>	<u>1,863,137</u>

Cost or valuation at 31 December 2024 is represented by:

	Freehold property £
Valuation in 2017	1,485,000
Valuation in 2022	<u>375,000</u>
	<u>1,860,000</u>

CONSOLIDATED CHARITY OF BURTON UPON TRENT

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The freehold property consists entirely of almshouses which are used for direct charitable purposes. The almshouses are included in the financial statements at valuation. Original cost is unknown.

The Almshouses were valued at 31 December 2022 by a professional valuer. The properties were valued with regard to their restricted use as Almshouses on an existing use basis. This was calculated at 50% of market value for some properties and 100% for certain stand alone properties.

The trustees consider this valuation to be reasonable as of 31 December 2024.

14. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Listed investments £	Cash and settlements pending £	Totals £
MARKET VALUE			
At 1 January 2024	12,652,615	219,786	12,872,401
Additions	2,706,976	(2,706,976)	-
Disposals	(2,577,295)	2,577,295	-
Revaluations	419,548	-	419,548
Impairments	-	419,341	419,341
Reversal of impairments	-	(70,562)	(70,562)
Exchange differences	-	(371,219)	(371,219)
At 31 December 2024	<u>13,201,844</u>	<u>67,665</u>	<u>13,269,509</u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 December 2024	<u>13,201,844</u>	<u>67,665</u>	<u>13,269,509</u>
At 31 December 2023	<u>12,652,615</u>	<u>219,786</u>	<u>12,872,401</u>

Cost or valuation at 31 December 2024 is represented by:

	Listed investments £	Cash and settlements pending £	Totals £
Valuation in 2019	11,848,430	107,081	11,955,511
Valuation in 2020	389,073	189,210	578,283
Valuation in 2021	1,407,027	(91,490)	1,315,537
Valuation in 2022	(1,759,103)	157,430	(1,601,673)
Valuation in 2023	767,188	(142,445)	624,743
Valuation in 2024	<u>549,229</u>	<u>(152,121)</u>	<u>397,108</u>
	<u>13,201,844</u>	<u>67,665</u>	<u>13,269,509</u>

The entire portfolio was managed by LGT Wealth Management on an advisory basis.

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15. INVESTMENT PROPERTY

	£
FAIR VALUE	
At 1 January 2024	
and 31 December 2024	<u>1,315,000</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 December 2024	<u>1,315,000</u>
At 31 December 2023	<u>1,315,000</u>

The investment properties consist of a variety of shops, flats and warehouses at 5 locations in Burton upon Trent. Investment properties are included in the financial statements at valuation. Original cost is unknown.

The properties were revalued at 31 December 2022 by a professional valuer on the basis of the open market value as defined by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors.

The trustees consider this valuation to be reasonable as of 31 December 2024.

Fair value at 31 December 2024 is represented by:

	£
Valuation in 2017	<u>1,265,000</u>
Valuation in 2022	<u>50,000</u>
	<u>1,315,000</u>

16. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
Rental income due	16,071	14,192
Rental deposits	3,345	3,345
Prepayments	<u>20,922</u>	<u>20,018</u>
	<u>40,338</u>	<u>37,555</u>

17. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
Trade creditors	66,472	35,310
Social security and other taxes	514	679
Other creditors	274	-
Grants payable	93,687	67,940
Deferred income - rents in advance	3,654	4,738
Other creditors	6,225	6,891
Accruals and deferred income	<u>34,338</u>	<u>24,013</u>
	<u>205,164</u>	<u>139,571</u>

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

	2024 £	2023 £
Grants payable	<u>13,000</u>	<u>33,500</u>

19. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/1/24 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/12/24 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	1,149,308	(112,311)	185,955	1,222,952
Almshouses fund	415,000	-	-	415,000
Extraordinary Repair Top-up fund	259,940	-	-	259,940
Cyclical Maintenance fund	5,330	(2,495)	-	2,835
Grants fund	<u>5,170,021</u>	<u>195,393</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,365,414</u>
	6,999,599	80,587	185,955	7,266,141
Restricted funds				
Almshouse fund	1,308,020	-	-	1,308,020
Extraordinary Repair fund	<u>611,345</u>	<u>8,890</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>620,235</u>
	1,919,365	8,890	-	1,928,255
Endowment funds				
Capital fund	<u>7,525,871</u>	<u>406,716</u>	<u>(185,955)</u>	<u>7,746,632</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>16,444,835</u>	<u>496,193</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,941,028</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	490,842	(603,153)	-	(112,311)
Cyclical Maintenance fund	-	(2,495)	-	(2,495)
Grants fund	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>195,393</u>	<u>195,393</u>
	490,842	(605,648)	195,393	80,587
Restricted funds				
Extraordinary Repair fund	14,908	(26,385)	20,367	8,890
Endowment funds				
Capital fund	<u>202,904</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>203,812</u>	<u>406,716</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>708,654</u>	<u>(632,033)</u>	<u>419,572</u>	<u>496,193</u>

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19. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/1/23 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/12/23 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	1,082,577	(123,692)	190,423	1,149,308
Almshouses fund	415,000	-	-	415,000
Extraordinary Repair Top-up fund	259,940	-	-	259,940
Cyclical Maintenance fund	14,470	(9,140)	-	5,330
Grants fund	4,846,652	323,369	-	5,170,021
	6,618,639	190,537	190,423	6,999,599
Restricted funds				
Almshouse fund	1,308,020	-	-	1,308,020
Extraordinary Repair fund	599,215	12,130	-	611,345
	1,907,235	12,130	-	1,919,365
Endowment funds				
Capital fund	7,197,539	518,755	(190,423)	7,525,871
TOTAL FUNDS	15,723,413	721,422	-	16,444,835

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	460,350	(584,042)	-	(123,692)
Cyclical Maintenance fund	-	(9,140)	-	(9,140)
Grants fund	-	-	323,369	323,369
	460,350	(593,182)	323,369	190,537
Restricted funds				
Extraordinary Repair fund	14,738	(25,457)	22,849	12,130
Endowment funds				
Capital fund	192,371	-	326,384	518,755
TOTAL FUNDS	667,459	(618,639)	672,602	721,422

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19. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued Unrestricted funds

General funds represent the accumulated income of the charity which can be applied in furtherance of the objects of the charity at the discretion of the trustees.

The trustees have designated part of these funds for four particular purposes:

The Almshouses fund is set aside for the acquisition of almshouses in addition to those listed in Part 1 of the schedule to the charity's governing document. The fund has recently been used to purchase four bungalows in Rangemore Street.

The Extraordinary Repair Top-up fund provides for the extraordinary repair, improvement or rebuilding of the charity's almshouses in accordance with the requirements of the charity's governing document. The amount set aside from general funds is that deemed necessary over and above the sum held in restricted funds. The charity transfers amounts into this fund after due consideration of guidelines issued by The Almshouse Association.

The Cyclical Maintenance fund is set aside to provide for the ordinary repairs and maintenance of the charity's almshouses in accordance with the requirements of the charity's governing document. The charity transfers amounts into this fund after due consideration of guidelines issued by The Almshouse Association.

The Grants fund is to maintain the trustees' capacity for making grants into the future. Subject to accumulation to maintain its value, the income is applied in meeting the proper costs of the charity and furthering its objects whilst balancing the needs of present and future beneficiaries.

Restricted funds

The charity has two restricted funds which represent income accumulated by the charity which can only be applied in furtherance of specific objects.

The Almshouse fund is restricted to the provision of the almshouse accommodation specified in Part 1 of the schedule to the charity's governing document.

The Extraordinary Repair fund is restricted to the extraordinary repair, improvement or rebuilding of the charity's almshouses.

Gains or losses on the value of assets held in each of these funds and income generated by those assets are retained within each fund.

Endowment funds

The charity has a Capital fund which has been accumulated over centuries. It is a permanent endowment fund which requires the trustees to maintain the capital of the fund for the benefit of future generations. gains or losses on the value of the assets held in the Capital fund are retained within the fund.

Income generated from assets held in the Capital fund is first applied to the expense of managing those assets. surplus income is transferred to general funds for expenditure by the trustees in accordance with the objects of the charity.

20. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

During the year the charity paid £1,092 (2023: £1,440) to Burton Albion Football Club in respect of room hire.

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