

Charity number: 244075  
Company number: 826993

**Highway Trust Limited**  
(a registered charity and a company  
limited by guarantee)

**Unaudited Report and Financial Statements**  
**For the year ended 31 December 2024**

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Helen Norman (Chair)  
Colin Rawling (Treasurer)  
Ruth Briddock (Secretary)  
Heather Cameron  
Irene Mckay  
Ian White (Appointed)  
Rev David Crouchley (Resigned)  
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**SECRETARY**

Ruth Briddock

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## **HIGHWAY TRUST LIMITED**

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### **Reports and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024**

#### **TRUSTEES' REPORT**

The Trustees, who are also directors of the Charity for the purposes of the Companies Act, present their annual report and the unaudited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include the revaluation of certain fixed assets, and in accordance with acceptable accounting policies. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP), "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" issued in October 2019 and the Financial Reporting Standard 102 (effective January 2019) and applicable accounting standards.

#### **OBJECTS OF THE CHARITY, PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES AND ORGANISATION**

The Charity is constituted as a company limited by guarantee, and is therefore governed by a Memorandum and Articles of Association.

The Highway Trust grew out of an Advisory Council representing Anglican, Methodist and Free Churches. They were incorporated in 1964 to provide facilities for the advancement of the Christian religion initially through Highway Holidays which they had brought into being some two years earlier. Over the years our actions have been consistently applied to this effect.

In planning our activities for 2024 we have taken into consideration the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, and specifically the guidance for the advancement of religion.

On a regular basis the Trustees review our charitable object and mission statement.

Our Charitable Object is:

- To further the Christian faith.
- To encourage Christian action and mission.
- To promote the cause of Christian Unity.

Our mission statement is:

- To provide a unique Christian dimension to holidays and hospitality, and reach out to others through social action and mission, to the glory of God.

In the past we have performed our Mission Statement in a number of ways but we have in the last few years focussed on seeking to give glory to God through offering travel and hospitality including opportunities for rest and recuperation in a Christian hotel.

More details on our activities in 2024 are given below. The Highway Trust's Trustees are not paid in any way.

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**TRUSTEES' REPORT continued**

**DEVELOPMENT, ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2024**

**The Highway Trust**

Throughout 2024 Highway Trust has been able to operate a full programme, although given the nature of the operation and the customers we appeal to, we have still not been able to reach our full potential. We have endeavoured to exceed both our customers needs and wishes, by continuing with enhanced cleaning and carrying out any other tasks to ensure customers book and then enjoy their stay.

**Thornleigh Hotel**

The Highway Trust has operated Thornleigh since 1973. Its initial object was to provide “evangelism through leisure” for those in the Christian faith, and this remains its object today.

In the early years, house parties came to Grange-over-Sands to enjoy reasonably-priced holidays with like-minded people. The accommodation was fairly basic, as was the provision of food. In contrast, the current facilities at Thornleigh are excellent and all the bedrooms are ensuite. The food is sourced locally and cooked fresh each meal. Careful planning of the menus gives a variety of wholesome meals, a highlight whilst staying at Thornleigh. The whole hotel and award winning gardens are easily accessible for guests and visitors with mobility issues. The gardens are maintained by both volunteers and staff.

Thornleigh is meticulously clean and the attention to detail is clear for all to see. The lounges have different styles of chairs to suit all guests and the rooms are clean and comfortable for guests to relax in and admire the view or chat to other guests staying. There is also a chapel which guests can use for quiet times.

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#### **TRUSTEES' REPORT continued**

There are four bedrooms on the ground floor that give access suitable for disabled guests and the less able-bodied. We have refurbished one of the ground floor bedrooms to be fully accessible. A passenger lift enables guests to conveniently reach other floors. A loop system has been installed at reception and in all public rooms to help those with impaired hearing. In addition, a 'deafguard' is available to enable guests with difficulty in hearing to be awakened should the fire alarm be sounded during the night. Trained assistance dogs are permitted. Such additional assistance makes Thornleigh welcoming, inclusive and accessible for a wide range of people. Overnight cover, with a trained first-aider, gives all guests peace of mind. The Thornleigh management is committed to providing a personal and caring service to its guests.

Thornleigh gives the opportunity to join with people of similar interests whilst on holiday. They feel safe and amongst friends due to the family atmosphere of the hotel. We have many elderly guests who are holidaying alone for the first time and we offer the space they need. Meals are served in a family style and all special diets are catered for. The kitchen is maintained to the highest of standards and is awarded the top grade of five stars by the EHO. Community activities and devotions are offered each evening.

Although standards are comparable to a middle grade hotel, the tariff remains at an affordable level and any profit is re-invested either into the fabric of the premises or into supporting the work of the Highway Trust. Thornleigh is a non-profit making establishment. Our employees sometimes find Thornleigh challenging to maintain the high standards expected but feel safe, secure and nurtured by being part of the Thornleigh Team. We feel we offer a safe and caring working environment for employees who may feel vulnerable about the work place. We actively encourage and support our staff in developing themselves further, including supporting further qualifications.

Thornleigh currently offers many Special Interest and Theme Breaks to individuals who enjoy taking part in particular activities: Creative Writing, Walking, Enjoying Music, Gospel Singing, Bible Study Weeks, Fellowship Holidays, Craft and Knitting, Painting Tuition, Genealogy, Church Visits and exploring the nearby Lake District by coach. Guests can also come and just relax and find the space they need. Church parties use the hotel for weekend conferences, church holidays or one-day events.

Thornleigh provides local groups in the town, both religious and secular, with a place to meet. These include a monthly lunch for Age UK, provided at a reduced cost, and catering for the elderly people in the community.

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#### **TRUSTEES' REPORT continued**

The Hotel started a Development Fund in 2017, to receive donations including those from guests and from the Friends of Thornleigh Hotel. This Fund was created to assist in the planned multi-year refurbishment of the Hotel. As at 31 December 2024 we have continued to focus on other public areas, refurbishing a number of our bedrooms including making one fully accessible, along with upgrading staff accommodation we have on site.

The Hotel also has a Bursary Fund which can provide grants to selected guests who, for various reasons, cannot afford to come on holiday. Nominations for grants are received from third parties, and the fund distributed on the basis of need alone, in strict confidence. The fund is available for partial, and sometimes, full payment of the net value of the beneficiary's stay. The fund is also available to provide funding for specialist equipment that would be required for an individual or group to have a more fulfilling stay, such as rental of a wheel chair accessible minibus.

During 2024 support continued for many local and national charities. Fund-raising was undertaken for: Christian Aid, Water Aid, Marie Curie, NCH Action for Children, NSPCC, Age UK, Fix the Fells, Woodland Trust, Embrace and Grange-over-Sands community planting.

Thornleigh is committed in working responsibly to help the local environment; we were the first business in Grange to earn the Love my Beach certificate.

#### **TRANSACTIONS AND FINANCIAL POSITION**

The Statement of Financial Activities shows a net deficit for the year of £8,258 (2023 surplus of £21,759) from ordinary activities. Total funds stand at £1,477,073 (2023 £1,485,331) at the year end.

#### **TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS FOR USE BY THE CHARITY**

Details of movements in fixed assets are set out in note 5 to the accounts. The freehold land and buildings were valued on 31 March 2023. The Trustees consider that this valuation reflects their value as at 31 December 2024 and so the freehold land and buildings have been included in these financial statements at this value. The Trustees consider that the value of all other assets exceed the value they are included in the financial statements.

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**TRUSTEES' REPORT continued**

**RESERVES AND RISK MANAGEMENT**

During 2024, the hotel has been open in line with its usual schedule, and is now operating at previous levels of occupancy. The hotel has found it difficult to retain and recruit staff, but the hotel is doing all it can to ensure staffing levels remain appropriate, to meet the hotels high levels of customer experience and service, whilst maintaining excellent value. We will continue to review the staffing situation and our underlying financial position, allowing us to support continued activities at Thornleigh Hotel, the Charity's subsidiary activities, and the other charitable objects of the Charity, and therefore the Trustees consider the financial position of the Charity to be satisfactory. The Charity has £1,471,808 of unrestricted funds at 31 December 2024.

The Trustees actively review as part of their regular board meetings all potential areas of risk faced by the various arms of the Charity. Procedures are in place to identify and mitigate risks arising from adverse conditions.

**DIRECTORS AND TRUSTEES**

The directors of the company are the members of the council of management, whose names appear on page 3. All directors are also Trustees of the Charity. The Trustees are not paid in any way.

**TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES IN RELATION TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity at the end of the financial year and of its surplus or deficit for the financial year. In preparing those financial statements the Trustees are required to:

- i. select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- ii. make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- iii. state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
- iv. prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis.



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**TRUSTEES' REPORT continued**

**TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES IN RELATION TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued**

The Trustees are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. 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.

Signed on behalf of the Council of Management



R Briddock – Company Secretary



Date approved by the Council

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#### **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF HIGHWAY TRUST LIMITED**

I report on the accounts of Highway Trust Limited for the year ended 31 December 2024, which are set out on pages 12 to 19.

#### **Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The trustees (who are also directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed. The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination being a qualified member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145 (5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

#### **Basis of Independent examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF HIGHWAY TRUST LIMITED**

**Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charitieshave not been met; or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Anita Brook

On behalf of R F Miller & Co



11<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2025

**HIGHWAY TRUST LIMITED****(a registered charity and a company limited by guarantee)****Reports and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024****Statement of financial activities**

	Notes	Restricted £	Unrestricted £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>					
<b>Income and endowments from generated funds</b>					
Donations and legacies		3,075	4,065	7,140	12,573
Income from investments		-	-	-	-
<b>Income from charitable activities</b>					
Charges to guests - Thornleigh Hotel	2	-	502,841	502,841	466,851
Other income	2	-	6,183	6,183	66,140
<b>TOTAL INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</b>		<b>3,075</b>	<b>513,089</b>	<b>516,164</b>	<b>545,564</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>					
<b>Expenditure on charitable activities</b>					
Thornleigh hotel	3	5,018	509,965	514,983	515,051
Trust		-	350	350	370
Governance costs		-	1,933	1,933	763
Other expenditure					
Interest		-	7,156	7,156	7,621
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>		<b>5,018</b>	<b>519,404</b>	<b>524,422</b>	<b>523,805</b>
Net income / (expenditure)	4	(1,943)	(6,315)	(8,258)	21,759
<b>OTHER GAINS AND LOSSES</b>					
Transfer between reserves		4,000	(4,000)	-	-
Capitalised during year		-	-	-	-
Gain on revaluation of assets		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		2,057	(10,315)	(8,258)	21,759
Balances brought forward at 1 January 2024		3,208	1,482,123	1,485,331	1,463,572
Balances carried forward at 31 December 2024		<b>5,265</b>	<b>1,471,808</b>	<b>1,477,073</b>	<b>1,485,331</b>

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

The notes on pages 14 to 19 form part of these financial statements.

**HIGHWAY TRUST LIMITED****(a registered charity and a company limited by guarantee)****Reports and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024****Balance sheet**

	Notes	2024		2023	
		£	£	£	£
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
Tangible assets	5		1,607,800		1,624,226
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Stock		2,784		1,175	
Debtors	6	22,697		57,135	
Cash at bank and in hand	7	152,658		166,702	
		<u>178,139</u>		<u>225,012</u>	
<b>CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year</b>	8	<u>(105,387)</u>		<u>(144,395)</u>	
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>			72,752		80,617
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			1,680,552		1,704,843
<b>CREDITORS: amounts falling due after more than one year</b>	9		(203,479)		(219,512)
<b>NET ASSETS</b>			<u>1,477,073</u>		<u>1,485,331</u>
<b>INCOME FUNDS</b>					
Restricted funds			5,265		3,208
Unrestricted funds			1,471,808		1,482,123
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>			<u>1,477,073</u>		<u>1,485,331</u>

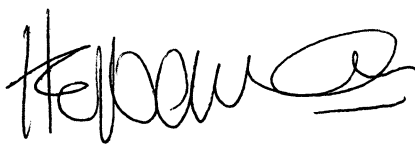
For the year ended 31 December 2024 the company was entitled to exemption from audit section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

**Directors' responsibilities:**

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476; and
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

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



Helen Norman (Chair)

11th July 2025

The notes on pages 14 to 19 form part of these financial statements.

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**Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024**

**1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Basis of Accounting**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include the revaluation of certain fixed assets, and in accordance with acceptable accounting policies. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP), "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" issued in October 2019 and the Financial Reporting Standard 102 (effective January 2019) and applicable accounting standards.

The Charity has availed itself of Paragraph 4 (1) of Schedule 1 of the Companies Act 2006 and adopted the Companies Act formats to reflect the special nature of the Charity's activities.

**Cash flow statement**

The financial statements do not include a cash flow statement because the company, as a small reporting entity, is exempt from the requirement to prepare such a statement under the Financial Reporting Standard 102 (effective January 2015).

**Company status**

The Charity is a company limited by guarantee. The members of the company are the serving trustees, named on page 3. In the event of the Charity being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the Charity.

**Going concern**

The trustees have concluded that it is appropriate to prepare accounts on the going concern basis as the Charity will have adequate cash resources and financial projections indicate that the Charity will continue to trade within its existing and negotiated bank facilities.

**Fund accounting**

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the Charity for particular purposes. The cost of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

**Governance costs**

Governance costs are the costs associated with the governance arrangements of the Charity including accountancy costs and the necessary legal procedures for compliance with statutory requirements

**HIGHWAY TRUST LIMITED****(a registered charity and a company limited by guarantee)****Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024 (continued)****Tangible fixed assets and depreciation**

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Cost represents purchase price together with any incidental costs of acquisition. Depreciation is provided, after taking account of any grants receivable, at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life:

Freehold buildings - Thornleigh Hotel	- 1% on buildings cost
Plant and equipment	- 5% on cost
Fixtures and fittings	- 25% on reducing balance
Office equipment and furniture	- 20% on reducing balance

The land element of the freehold land and buildings is not depreciated.

Freehold land and buildings are included in the accounts at valuation based on existing use

**Stock**

Stock consists of purchased goods for resale. Cost represents purchase price together with any incidental costs of acquisition. Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Items donated for resale or distribution are not included in the financial statements until they are sold or distributed.

**Foreign currencies**

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate ruling at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities are retranslated at the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. All differences are taken to the SOFA.

**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 settling all of its liabilities.

**2 INCOME AND EXPENDITURE****Income and endowments**

Charges to guests, clients and participants represent charges for accommodation and related services excluding value added tax. Income is recognised when the service has been provided. Income from subscription and donations, investment income and Gift Aid is included when received.

The continuing trading activities of the company are carried on in pursuance of the charitable objectives set out in its Memorandum of Association.

Other income includes any Government and local authority grants in relation to the CoVid19 pandemic. They have been accounted on an accruals basis.

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Interest	<u>2,309</u>	<u>1,261</u>

**HIGHWAY TRUST LIMITED****(a registered charity and a company limited by guarantee)****Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024 (continued)****2 INCOME AND EXPENDITURE continued****Expenditure**

All expenditure is accounted for on an accrual basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to that category. Separate ledgers are kept for each division which ensures all costs have been allocated to the activity that it relates to.

**3 ANALYSIS OF TOTAL EXPENDITURE**

	Direct Costs	Staff Costs	Other Allocated Costs	Depreciation	Total	2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Direct charitable expenditure</b>						
Thornleigh Hotel	162,199	262,382	65,430	19,955	509,966	461,468
Highway Trust	-	-	350	-	350	370
	<u>162,199</u>	<u>262,382</u>	<u>65,780</u>	<u>19,955</u>	<u>510,316</u>	<u>461,838</u>
Donations	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bursary Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-
Development Fund	-	-	5,018	-	5,018	53,583
Governance costs	-	-	1,933	-	1,933	763
Interest charges	-	-	7,156	-	7,156	7,621
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14,106</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14,106</u>	<u>61,968</u>
	<u>162,199</u>	<u>262,382</u>	<u>79,886</u>	<u>19,955</u>	<u>524,422</u>	<u>523,806</u>

Staff costs - No employee earned more than £60,000 pa.

The average number of employees was 19 (2023: 15)

**Remuneration of Key Management Personnel**

No remuneration was paid to the trustees for services as trustees during the year (2023: £Nil)

Day to day management of the hotel is delegated to the Hotel Management Team and their remuneration is as follows:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Hotel manager	48,305	41,190
Hotel accountant	<u>6,698</u>	<u>6,203</u>

Out of pocket expenses were reimbursed to the trustees as follows:

2024	2024	2023	2023
Number	£	Number	£
<u>8</u>	<u>650</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>600</u>



**HIGHWAY TRUST LIMITED****(a registered charity and a company limited by guarantee)****Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024 (continued)****4 NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS FOR THE YEAR**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
This is stated after charging:		
Depreciation to tangible fixed assets	19,955	18,922
Independent examiners fee	<u>1,800</u>	<u>1,500</u>

**5 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

	<b>Land and buildings £</b>	<b>Plant &amp; Equipment £</b>	<b>Fixtures &amp; fittings £</b>	<b>Office Equipment £</b>	<b>Total £</b>
<b>COST OR REVALUATION</b>					
At 1 January 2024	1,603,738	59,190	93,562	4,634	1,761,124
Additions	-	-	3,529	-	3,529
Revaluation Adjustment	-	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
At 31 December 2024	<u>1,603,738</u>	<u>59,190</u>	<u>97,091</u>	<u>4,634</u>	<u>1,764,653</u>
<b>DEPRECIATION</b>					
At 1 January 2024	12,500	40,146	79,858	4,395	136,898
Charge for year	13,037	3,223	3,647	48	19,955
Revaluation Adjustment	-	-	-	-	-
At 31 December 2024	<u>25,537</u>	<u>43,368</u>	<u>83,504</u>	<u>4,443</u>	<u>156,853</u>
<b>NET BOOK VALUE 2024</b>	<u>1,578,201</u>	<u>15,822</u>	<u>13,587</u>	<u>191</u>	<u>1,607,800</u>
<b>NET BOOK VALUE 2023</b>	<u>1,591,238</u>	<u>19,044</u>	<u>13,704</u>	<u>239</u>	<u>1,624,226</u>

The property at The Esplanade, Gange-over-Sands was revalued on 31 March 2023 by J Haley MRICS of Edward Thompson LLP at £1,550,000. The trustees consider the valuation to fairly reflect the value of the property as at 31 December 2024, so has been reflected in these financial statements. The property has been revalued at fair value through the statement of financial activities.

During the year ended 31 December 2024 the Trust continued work on refurbishing public areas, staff accommodation and bedrooms. Relevant capital costs incurred in the refurbishment have been capitalised at the year end, all other costs have been charged to profit and loss account as part of the development fund. At the completion of the work any further capital costs will be capitalised.

The refurbishment is being funded partly through donations (included in the development fund) partly from accumulated reserves, and through a further mortgage. During 2024 additional refurbishment work on accommodation was carried out including making a room accessible following flooding caused by a burst pipe. This was funded partly by the insurance payout.

**HIGHWAY TRUST LIMITED****(a registered charity and a company limited by guarantee)****Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024 (continued)****6 DEBTORS - Amounts due within one year**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Prepayments	18,572	54,027
Other debtors	4,125	3,108
	<u>22,697</u>	<u>57,135</u>

**7 CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Unrestricted	147,393	163,494
Restricted	5,265	3,208
	<u>152,658</u>	<u>166,702</u>

**8 CREDITORS - amounts falling due within one year**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Mortgage	10,123	10,123
Deposits received on account	34,158	37,171
Other taxes and social security	18,417	15,495
Trade creditors	14,324	65,118
Other creditors and accruals	22,749	10,871
Other Loans	5,617	5,617
	<u>105,387</u>	<u>144,395</u>

**9 CREDITORS - amounts falling due after more than one year**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Mortgage	175,643	185,972
Other Loans	27,836	33,540
	<u>203,479</u>	<u>219,512</u>

The following aggregate liabilities disclosed under creditors falling due after more than one year are due for repayment after more than five years from the balance sheet date:

	<u>108,279</u>	<u>124,313</u>
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The remaining term of the repayment mortgage is 14 years and 10 months at the year end.

The mortgage is secured on the land and buildings at Thornleigh Hotel

**HIGHWAY TRUST LIMITED****(a registered charity and a company limited by guarantee)****Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024 (continued)****10 RESTRICTED FUNDS**

	Development Fund £	Bursary Fund £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Opening balance	3,159	49	3,208	8,154
Collections and donations during the year	2,490	585	3,075	12,573
Other income	-	-	-	39,214
	5,649	634	6,283	59,941
Grants made during the year	-	(4,568)	(4,568)	-
Transfer to/from Unrestricted Reserve	-	4,000	4,000	(18,110)
Expenditure during the year	(450)	-	(450)	(53,583)
Transferred to fixed assets	-	-	-	14,960
At 31 December 2024	5,199	66	5,265	3,208

The Bursary Fund is monies collected from hotel guests and Friends of Thornleigh Hotel and other donations and used to subsidise travellers in need of assistance.

The Development Fund represents monies collected and used for the multi-year refurbishment plan for the Hotel.

**11 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS**

	Restricted Fund £	General Fund £	Total £
<b>Fund balances at 31 December 2024 are represented by:</b>			
Tangible fixed assets	-	1,607,800	1,607,800
Current assets	5,265	172,874	178,139
Current liabilities	-	(105,387)	(105,387)
Long term liabilities	-	(203,479)	(203,479)
Total net assets	5,265	1,471,808	1,477,073

**12 CONTROL**

The charity was under the control of the trustees throughout the whole of the current and previous year.

**HIGHWAY TRUST LIMITED**  
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**Highway Trust**

**Income and Expenditure account for the year ended 31 December 2024**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>INCOME</b>		
Subscriptions and donations	-	-
Other income	-	-
Management charge to Thornleigh Hotel	4,000	4,000
	<u>4,000</u>	<u>4,000</u>

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
Council, secretarial, conference and training expenses	650	600
Accountancy	350	370
Miscellaneous	1,283	163
	<u>2,283</u>	<u>1,133</u>
<b>Surplus for the year</b>	<u>1,717</u>	<u>2,867</u>

**Division surplus/(deficit) for the year**

Highway Trust	1,717	2,867
Thornleigh Hotel	(9,975)	18,892
	<u>(8,258)</u>	<u>21,759</u>

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**HIGHWAY TRUST LIMITED****(a registered charity and a company limited by guarantee)****Thornleigh Hotel****Income and Expenditure account for the year ended 31 December 2024**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>INCOME</b>		
Charges to Hotel guests	502,841	466,851
Donations	7,140	12,573
Other Income	3,874	64,878
Interest	2,309	1,261
	<u>516,164</u>	<u>545,564</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
Provisions	67,635	63,799
Staff costs	262,382	256,464
Premises and equipment costs		
General and water rates	8,357	7,099
Light and heat	32,940	24,210
Repairs and renewals	32,838	77,207
Cleaning and laundry	18,522	17,470
Activity breaks	4,852	4,038
Books for resale	2,074	1,607
	<u>429,600</u>	<u>451,895</u>
Advertising	15,430	15,492
Audit and accountancy	502	4,954
Bank charges	3,578	3,596
Insurance	23,236	505
Printing and stationery	2,274	3,538
Telephone and postage	7,140	4,718
General expenses	4,098	7,291
Mortgage interest	7,156	7,621
Management charge	4,000	4,000
Subscriptions, licences and donations	6,403	4,142
Development	2,769	-
	<u>76,585</u>	<u>55,856</u>
Depreciation:		
Freehold property	13,037	12,500
Fixtures and fittings	3,647	3,568
Office equipment	48	60
Plant and equipment	3,223	2,794
	<u>19,955</u>	<u>18,922</u>
<b>Surplus/ (deficit) for the year</b>	<u>(9,975)</u>	<u>18,892</u>

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