
SYLVANUS CHARITABLE TRUST

ACCOUNTS

for the year ended 31st December 2024

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Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees of Sylvanus Charitable Trust

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 December 2024

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's 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.

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 Commissioner 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 Commissioner. 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 the seeking of 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.

Independent examiner's statement

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

- which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
 - (a) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - (b) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or
- to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Burgess Hodgson Limited
Chartered Accountants
27 New Dover Road
Canterbury
Kent
CT1 3DN



September 2025

SYLVANUS CHARITABLE TRUST

Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31 December 2024

The Trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2024. The Financial Statements comply with the statutory requirements, the governing document and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The charity's objectives as defined in the governing document give the Trustees absolute discretion to apply money for any charitable purposes but express the hope that the Trustees will give priority to beneficiaries whose charitable purposes are the welfare of and the prevention of cruelty to animals and the advancement of the traditional teachings and practices of the Roman Catholic Church as these were taught to and accepted by Catholics before the Second Vatican Council. Where possible it is the Trustees' policy to continue to support charities that were supported by the Founder during her lifetime. Due to the volume of applications received, it is the policy of the Trustees not to respond to unsolicited applications. The Trustees support a number of organizations on a regular basis and in practice find that their income is fully committed and there is little, if any, surplus income available for distribution in response to unsolicited appeals. As the Trust makes substantial donations to charities in the USA the Trust is divided into two sections, one invested primarily in Europe ("the Sterling Section") and the other primarily in USA ("the Dollar Section"). This is designed to enable the Trustees to maintain the level of charitable support despite currency fluctuations.

Public Benefit Statement

The Trustees have referred to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing their aims and objectives and in planning future activities as required under Section 17(5) of the Charities Act 2011.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

In both Sections donations have been made to animal welfare organizations worldwide. In the Sterling Section a donation of £12,000 was made to the Society of St Pius X which is a Catholic organization supporting the traditional teachings of the Roman Catholic Church, a charity supported by the Founder during her lifetime.

Under US tax regulations the Trustees are obliged to distribute 5% of the value of the charity each year. For some years they have been distributing more than this and have built up an excess distributions carryover which can only be carried forward for 5 years. The Trustees therefore decided to reduce distributions in the current year using part of the carryover to meet the statutory 5%. Donations were made of \$15,000 to Middlebury College of International Studies (supported by the Founder during her lifetime) to fund student scholarships and \$7,000 to Conservation Force Trust.

Investment performance

The charity's investment policy and objectives are formally agreed by the Trustees annually. The Trustees are advised by professional fund managers. The charity holds no investment properties. Its funds are held in investments.

In the Sterling Section sales of investments raised £113,422 producing a gain of £8,007 and investments were purchased for a total of £129,885. The annual revaluation saw a gain of £157,027. At 31st December 2024 the investments in the Sterling Section were in the following sectors:

	2024		2023	
UK fixed interest	307,711	8.25%	316,802	8.89%
UK listed equities	1,231,420	33.02%	1,083,931	30.40%
Overseas listed equities	2,096,690	56.24%	2,053,593	57.60%
Cash	92,947	2.49%	110,814	3.11%
Total financial investments	£3,728,770	100%	£3,565,140	100%

In the Dollar Section sales of investments raised \$41,790 producing a loss of \$786. There were no purchases and the annual revaluation saw a gain of \$154,455. At 31st December 2024 the investments in the Dollar Section were in the following sectors:

	2024		2023	
Fixed income	53,331	4.81%	52,622	5.27%
US Shares	575,712	51.97%	430,415	43.13%
Non-US Shares	476,682	43.02%	510,810	51.18%
Cash	2,221	.20%	4,226	.42%
Total financial investments	\$1,107,946	100%	\$998,073	100%

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

In the Sterling Section the charity's funds increased by £163,629.62 from £3,565,140.56 to £3,728,770.18. In the Dollar Section the charity's funds increased by \$109,872.30 from \$998,073.81 to \$1,107,946.11. All income received is from investments. The income in the Sterling Section increased from £89,778.45 to £94,320.94. In the Dollar Section the income increased marginally from \$12,401.07 to \$12,956.11.

Investment policy

The charity's governing document places no restrictions on the discretion of the Trustees in investing the charity's assets. In practice, with the advice of their investment advisers, the Trustees try to achieve a balanced return in the long term between accumulated income and capital appreciation.

Reserves Policy

The Trustees have power under the governing document to apply income and capital for the Trust's objectives. The Trustees aim to distribute the income and build up the capital content as unrestricted reserves. In practice, they have been distributing capital as well as income from the Dollar Section for some years. The reserves at the year-end were £3.729m (2023: £3.565m) in the Sterling Section of the Trust and \$1.108m (2023: \$998,073) in the Dollar Section of the Trust. The charity holds sufficient reserves to continue its objectives.

FUTURE PLANS

The charity intends to continue its existing work.

STRUCTURE GOVERNMENT AND MANAGEMENT

The governing document is a Deed of Settlement dated 1st December 1968. The Trust is a registered charity in the United Kingdom and is also registered with the United States Internal Revenue Service as a 501(c)(3) Tax Exempt Organisation. In accordance with United States Law, Trust Tax Returns are filed with the Internal Revenue Service.

Induction and training of new trustees

The Trust Deed provides for a minimum of two trustees and any new Trustee would be appointed by the remaining trustees. They would be provided with a copy of the charity's governing documents, annual report and financial statements for the previous three years, together with the minutes of the trustees' meetings for the same period and the Charity Commission documents relating to the responsibilities of charity trustees.

Risk Management

The principal risk faced by the Trust lies in the performance of investments. This is mitigated by retaining expert investment managers and having a diversified investment portfolio. At Trustees' meetings any significant risks of the Trust are discussed. Where appropriate, risks are reported on and discussed in subsequent meetings. The Trustees consider that they have established sufficient systems and procedures to mitigate those risks.

Related party transactions

The charity has no subsidiaries and is not connected with any other charity. Mr J C Vernor-Miles was reimbursed £58.40 travel expenses in the year. None of the other Trustees was paid remuneration or expenses. Mr W E Vernor-Miles is a partner in the firm of Hunters Law LLP who act in the administration of the charity. Hunters received fees of £16,155.50 plus VAT for this work in the year from the Sterling Section (2023: £18,501.50) and \$20,875 from the Dollar Section (2023: \$24,454).

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity Number:

259520

Principal address

c/o Hunters Law LLP, 9 New Square, London WC2A 3QN

Trustees

John Crosfield Vernor-Miles

Alexander David Gemmill

Wilfrid Edward Vernor-Miles

Matthew James Priday

Bankers

CAF Bank Ltd, 25 Kings Hill Avenue, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent ME19 4JQ

Pictet et Cie, Route des Acacias 60, 1211 Geneva 73, Switzerland

Solicitors

Hunters Law LLP, 9 New Square, London WC2A 3QN

Investment Managers for Sterling Section

Raymond James, 1 King William Street, London EC4N 7AF

Investment Managers for Dollar Section

Pictet et Cie, Route des Acacias 60, 1211 Geneva 73, Switzerland

Independent Examiner

Colin Reid FCA, Burgess Hodgson Limited, 27 New Dover Road, Canterbury, Kent, CT1 3DN

Accountants in USA

McGilloway Ray Brown & Kaufman, 379 W. Market, Salinas, California 93901 USA

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

The charity's Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under the law the Trustees have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and the income and expenditure 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
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements have been followed subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. 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.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by Wilfrid Vernor-Miles


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Trustee

Date 15/9/2025

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STERLING SECTION

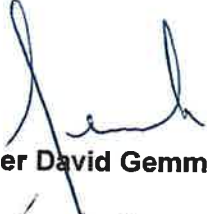
BALANCE SHEET as at 31st December 2024

	2024	2023
	£	£
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS		
	<u>3,728,770.18</u>	<u>3,565,140.56</u>
There are no restricted or endowment funds		
represented by:-		
INVESTMENTS at Market Value		
	3,635,822.92	3,454,326.52
CASH BALANCES		
Raymond James	81,771.76	39,330.05
(\$5923.35)	4,731.53	4,550.97
CAF Bank	10,191.70	70,989.03
Hunters	259.67	938.79
Creditor		
Hunters	-2,789.40	-3,979.80
Burgess Hodgson	-1,218.00	-1,015.00
	<u>3,728,770.18</u>	<u>3,565,140.56</u>

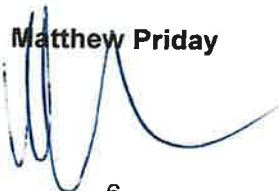
Approved by the Trustees on

10/9/2025


John Vernor-Miles


Alexander David Gemmill


Wilfrid Vernor-Miles


Matthew Priday

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
for the year ended 31st December 2024**

INCOMING RESOURCES

	2024	2023
	£	£
Fixed Interest (gross)	14,626.61	14,381.94
UK Dividends	43,415.31	42,077.10
Overseas Dividends	34,489.41	31,899.87
Bank interest	1,710.47	1,419.54
Gain on currency conversion	79.14	0.00
	<u>94,320.94</u>	<u>89,778.45</u>

RESOURCES EXPENDED

Direct Charitable Expenditure

Donations	52,000.00	59,000.00
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Management and Administration Expenditure

Hunters fees and disbursements for 2024 inc VAT	19,386.60	22,201.80
G Taviner fee for 2024	7,500.00	5,000.00
Burgess Hodgson Independent Examination fee 2023 a/cs	0.00	1,104.00
Burgess Hodgson Independent Examination fee 2024 a/cs	1,421.00	1,015.00
Raymond James fees	14,569.73	13,860.89
Trustees meeting expenses	678.62	414.84
Trustee travel expenses	58.40	30.40
Bank fees	110.50	140.25
Loss on currency conversion	0.00	260.06
	<u>95,724.85</u>	<u>103,027.24</u>

There are no publicity or fund raising costs

Net Income/Outgoing Resources in year	-1,403.91	-13,248.79
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GAIN/LOSS ON INVESTMENTS IN THE YEAR

Realised	8,006.61	10,177.04
Unrealised	157,026.92	129,406.92

BALANCE B/FWD AT 1ST JANUARY 2024	3,565,140.56	3,438,805.39
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BALANCE at 31st December 2024	<u>3,728,770.18</u>	<u>3,565,140.56</u>
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DONATIONS made in the year ended 31st December 2024

	2024	2023
	£	£
Born Free Foundation	0	4,000
Curly Tails	5,000	4,000
Fauna & Flora International	0	3,000
Free the Bears UK	6,000	5,000
Freshfields Animal Rescue	2,000	2,000
Help in Suffering (UK)	0	2,000
Mauritian Wildlife Foundation (Mauritius)	7,000	7,000
Mayhew Home	2,000	2,000
Reef Conservation (Mauritius)	0	2,000
Royal Veterinary College Animal Care Trust	6,000	6,000
Society of St Pius X (Switzerland)	12,000	12,000
World Veterinary Service	4,000	3,000
Zimbabwe NSPCA (Zimbabwe)	8,000	7,000
	52,000	59,000

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INVESTMENTS held at 31st December 2024

		Income	Value at 31/12/24	Value at 31/12/23
		£	£	£
Fixed Interest				
\$200,000	Tesco 6.15% 15/11/37	9,628.68	160,507.65	164,146.19
£43,500	UK Treasury 4.125% I/L 22/1/2030	4,997.93	147,203.74	152,655.70
		<u>14,626.61</u>		
UK Equities				
18,000	BP US\$0.25	4,269.66	70,740.00	83,907.00
1,550	British American Tobacco Ord 25p	3,632.58	44,640.00	35,580.25
2,000	Derwent London Ord 5p	1,344.00	39,180.00	47,200.00
1,700	Diageo Ord 0.28 101/108p	1,347.76	43,137.50	48,552.00
2,600	Experian Ord US\$0.10	1,199.57	89,570.00	83,252.00
3,280	GSK Ord 0.3125p	1,968.00	44,165.20	47,566.56
24,000	Haleon Ord 0.01p	652.20	90,576.00	13,187.65
1,400	Imperial Brands Ord 10p	2,113.72	35,742.00	25,291.00
15,500	JP Morgan Asia Growth Ord 25p	2,480.00	58,125.00	52,700.00
130,000	Lloyds Banking Group Ord 1p	2,392.00	0.00	62,023.00
40,000	M&G Ord 5p	4,179.91	79,140.00	25,945.18
4,143	National Grid Ord 0.113953	1,877.31	39,358.50	33,940.64
11,666	Prudential Ord 5p	1,931.60	74,312.42	103,500.75
15,000	Scottish Mortgage Inv Trust Ord 5p	636.00	143,250.00	121,200.00
3,000	Shell Ord €0.07	3,210.60	74,280.00	77,145.00
4,000	SSE Ord 50p	2,400.00	64,160.00	74,240.00
5,300	Unilever Ord 0.031111p	7,780.40	241,044.00	201,400.00
		<u>43,415.31</u>		
Foreign Equities				
21,700	Aberdeen Asian Inc Ord NPV	2,582.30	47,740.00	45,136.00
140	Adobe Inc Com US\$0.0001	0.00	49,728.97	65,575.88
1,200	Alphabet Inc Cap Stock "C"	472.96	182,546.39	132,775.38
800	Amazon Com Inc\$0.01	0.00	140,197.62	95,432.21
1,100	Apple Inc NPV	721.95	220,036.90	166,273.85
20,000	Australian Foundation Inv NPV	2,660.65	73,264.78	79,753.78
550	Becton Dickinson US\$1	1,371.85	99,672.10	105,288.92
1,000	BXP Inc US\$0.01	2,586.79	59,398.19	55,091.47
1,632	Jardine Matheson Holdings USD0.25	2,863.00	53,409.68	52,802.64
130	L'Oreal Eur0.20	558.44	36,742.87	50,764.26
60	LVMH Moet Hennessy Eur0.30	490.62	31,525.42	38,140.46
250	Meta Platforms Inc Cl "A" (formerly Facebook)	244.99	116,925.21	69,474.76
740	Microsoft Corp Com	1,089.75	249,151.28	218,473.42
2,760	Nestle SF1 Reg	4,742.11	182,087.05	250,829.58
900	Paypal Holdings Com	0.00	0.00	43,392.48
359	Pernod Ricard Eur1.55	1,049.72	32,353.04	49,694.77
670	Philip Morris Int Com NPV	2,700.74	64,410.21	49,488.58
930	Pinterest Inc Com CL A	0.00	21,543.43	27,044.99

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INVESTMENTS held at 31st December 2024 cont'd

		Income	Value at 31/12/24	Value at 31/12/23
		£		£
1,500	Procter & Gamble NPV	3,944.63	200,876.28	172,575.96
600	Roche Holdings AG Genusscheine NPV	3,293.00	135,066.08	136,725.85
110	Thermo Fisher Scie Com USD1	109.90	45,711.12	45,840.39
1,700	Verizon Communications Com USD0.10	3,006.01	54,304.29	50,317.97
		<u>34,489.41</u>	<u>3,635,822.92</u>	<u>3,454,326.52</u>
Market Value at 31/12/23 or cost in year of investments sold				105,415.48
Cost of investments purchased in 2024				<u>129,884.96</u>
Adjusted M/V at 31/12/23				3,478,796.00
Market Value at 31/12/24				<u>3,635,822.92</u>
Unrealised gain/loss in 2024				<u>157,026.92</u>

INVESTMENT CHANGES in the year ended 31st December 2024

		Proceeds	Value at 31/12/23 or cost in year	Gain/Loss
		£	£	£
Disposals				
28/6/24	130,000 Lloyds Banking	72,611.94	62,023.00	10,588.94
28/6/24	900 Paypal Holdings Com	40,810.15	43,392.48	-2,582.33
		<u>113,422.09</u>	<u>105,415.48</u>	<u>8,006.61</u>
Acquisitions				
		Cost		
		£		
7/6/24	935 National Grid rights	6,030.75		
28/6/24	28,334 M&G Ord	58,398.84		
28/6/24	19,900 Haleon Ord	65,455.37		
		<u>129,884.96</u>		

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BALANCE SHEET as at December 31st 2024
based on UK Charity Commission requirements

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
BALANCE AS AT DECEMBER 31ST 2024	1,107,946.11	998,073.81

Represented by:-

	<u>Market Value</u> <u>31/12/2024</u>	<u>Market Value</u> <u>31/12/2023</u>
Cash balance	5,368.11	8,475.09
Common Stocks	1,052,394.15	941,225.46
Fixed Interest	53,331.46	52,621.77
Creditor		
Hunters	-3,147.61	-4,248.51
	<u>1,107,946.11</u>	<u>998,073.81</u>

**SYLVANUS CHARITABLE TRUST
DOLLAR SECTION**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES for the year ended 31st December 2024
based on UK Charity Commission requirements**

INCOMING RESOURCES	2024	2023
	\$	\$
US Common Stocks net income	1,268.43	1,763.10
Non-US Shares net income	11,259.31	10,548.44
Refund	0.00	54.56
Gain on currency conversion	428.37	34.97
	<u>12,956.11</u>	<u>12,401.07</u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED		
<u>Direct Charitable Expenditure</u>	22,000.00	66,000.00
<u>Management and Administration Expenses</u>		
Hunters administration fees for the year ended 31/12/24	20,875.29	24,453.86
McGilloway, Ray, Brown & Kaufman preparation of return for Private Foundation for the year ended 31/12/23	1,295.00	1,125.00
Tax paid	336.99	50.00
David Orr - independent investment advisor	3,000.00	3,000.00
Pictet Custody fees	621.53	472.85
Pictet Admin fees	8,413.10	7,798.68
Sundry Bank Charges and interest	210.39	474.06
	<u>56,752.30</u>	<u>103,374.45</u>
There are no publicity or fund raising costs		
Net Incoming/Outgoing expenditure for the year	-43,796.19	-90,973.38
GAIN/LOSS ON INVESTMENTS IN THE YEAR		
Realised	-786.26	-17,038.57
Unrealised	154,454.75	193,891.52
BALANCE B/FWD AT 1ST JANUARY 2024	998,073.81	912,194.24
BALANCE AT 31ST DECEMBER 31ST 2024	<u>1,107,946.11</u>	<u>998,073.81</u>

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DONATIONS made in the year ended 31st December 2024

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
CONSERVATION FORCE TRUST for DAPU 3240 S.1-10 Service Road W Suite 200 Metairie Louisiana 70001-6911	7,000	7,000
FRIENDS OF COMMUNITY ANIMAL SERVICES PO Box 7487 Spreckels CA 93962	0	4,000
MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE 460 Pierce Street Monterey CA 93940	15,000	15,000
MUTTVILLE 255 Alabama Street San Francisco CA 94103	0	2,000
PEACE OF MIND DOG RESCUE PO Box 51554 Pacific Grove CA 93950	0	5,000
SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY 1 Zoo Road San Francisco CA 94132-1098	0	7,000
SHANTI PROJECT 730 Polk Street San Francisco CA 94019	0	5,000
SPCA OF WESTCHESTER 590 North State Road Briarcliff Manor NY 10510	0	5,000
VENTANA WILDERNESS SANCTUARY 9699 Blue Larkspur Ln Ste 105, Monterey, CA 93940	0	8,000
WILDLIFE CONSERVATION SOCIETY 185th St & Southern Boulevard Bronx NY 10460	0	8,000
	<u>22,000</u>	<u>66,000</u>

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INVESTMENTS held at 31st December 2024

		Income	Value at	Value at
		\$	31/12/24	31/12/23
FIXED INCOME				
110	Bluebay High Yield Bond	<u>0.00</u>	53,331.46	52,621.77
US COMMON STOCKS				
		Net of US		
		tax @ 30%		
1,040	Alphabet "A"	145.60	196,872.00	145,277.60
		145.60		
		145.60		
910	Amazon	0.00	199,644.90	138,265.40
205	Ishares VII-Core S&P 500 USD ETF	0.00	128,899.90	102,910.00
300	Procter & Gamble	197.55	50,295.00	43,962.00
		211.36		
		211.36		
		211.36		
		<u>1,268.43</u>		
NON-US SHARES				
		Net of		
		foreign tax		
909	Diageo	356.04	28,887.70	33,095.13
		548.12		
2,560	Fidelity-Global Dividend Y-Ac USD	0	79,283.20	71,142.40
360	Nestle (Swiss tax 35%)	756.12	29,745.43	41,708.07
1,200	Novartis Reg (Swiss tax 35%)	2,889.33	117,451.03	121,005.17
120	Roche Holdings(Swiss tax 35%)	834.16	0.00	34,860.10
240	Sandoz Group	76.20	0.00	7,716.27
424	Siemens	1,552.97	82,787.65	79,585.70
233	Zurich Insurance	4,246.37	138,527.34	121,697.62
		<u>11,259.31</u>	<u>1,105,725.61</u>	<u>993,847.23</u>
Less Market Value at 31/12/23 of investments sold				42,576.37
Add cost of investments purchased				<u>0.00</u>
Adjusted Market Value at 31/12/23				951,270.86
Market Value of investments at 31/12/24				1,105,725.61
Unrealised gain/loss in 2024				<u><u>154,454.75</u></u>

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DOLLAR SECTION

INVESTMENT CHANGES in the year ended 31st December 2024

Disposals		Proceeds	Market Value at 31/12/23	Gain/Loss
		\$		\$
4/7/24	120 Roche Holdings	31,985.07	34,860.10	-2,875.03
13/8/24	240 Sandoz	9,805.04	7,716.27	2,088.77
		41,790.11	42,576.37	-786.26

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GENERAL INFORMATION

The charity is a public benefit entity and registered Charity in England and Wales and is unincorporated. The address of the principal office is Hunters, 9 New Square, London WC2A 3QN.

BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Charities Act 2011.

In the Accounts historical cost accounting rules have been applied in all instances except for the valuation of investments. All investments are carried at their fair value. Investments in equities and fixed interest are all traded in quoted public markets. Holdings in common investment funds, unit trusts and open-ended investment companies are at the bid price. The basis of fair value for quoted investments is equivalent to the market value, using the bid price. Asset sales and purchases are recognized at the date of trade at cost (that is their transaction value).

The Sterling and Dollar Sections are not consolidated into one primary statement on the basis that they are separately managed and the individual Sections provide adequate information on the charity's activities.

Staff costs

The average head count of employees during the year was 0 (2023: Nil). No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2023: Nil). This employee and key management personnel figure does not include the Trustees appointed and in position during the year.

Trustee remuneration and expenses

No remuneration, benefits or expenses were paid to the Trustees of the Charity in the current or previous year save that Mr J C Vernor-Miles was reimbursed travel expenses for attending the Trustees meeting (2023: Nil).

Judgements and estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. Accounting estimates and assumptions are made concerning the future, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Financial instruments

Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into.

Debtors and creditors with no stated interest rate receivable or payable within one year are recorded at transaction price. Any losses arising from impairment are recognised in the profit and loss account in other administrative expenses.

Loans and borrowings are initially recognised at transaction price including transaction costs. Subsequently, they are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method, less impairment. If an arrangement constitutes a finance transaction it is measured at present value.

INCOME

The trust income is derived solely from its investment portfolio. Investment income is included in the accounts when it is receivable. The trust is not involved in fundraising or publicity.

The total amount payable for the independent examination of the charity accounts is £1,125 plus VAT (2024: £1,015).