

**MRS E.E. BROWN CHARITABLE SETTLEMENT
TRUSTEES' REPORT AND UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023**

MRS E.E. BROWN CHARITABLE SETTLEMENT

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023

The Trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 5 April 2023.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the Trust Fund's Deed, 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 (second edition - October 2019).

Structure, governance and management

The Trust Fund arises from gifts made by Mrs Edna Elizabeth Brown by a deed of settlement dated 5 May 1970. Mrs Brown, who died in 2000, was either the mother or grandmother of the Trustees.

The Trustees who served during the year were:

M D Brown

D B Brown

N B Brown

Trustees are appointed in writing by the existing Trustees.

The Trustees regularly review the recipients and level of grants.

All Trustees give their time freely and no remuneration was paid in the year. No expenses were paid to the Trustees during the year.

The principal risks to which the charity is exposed are the security and the performance of the investments and cash and the Trustees are satisfied that they have arrangements in place to mitigate those risks.

Objectives and activities

The Trust Fund is to be applied by the Trustees to benefit such charitable institutions or objects or purposes as the Trustees may at their total discretion from time to time decide.

Within these obligations, it has been the Trustees' policy for a number of years to give regular support to a number of charitable organisations. These are mostly paid out by annual standing orders. The Trustees make other grants from time to time (but will not be considering direct appeals for assistance until further notice).

It is not the Trustees' policy to make grants to individuals or in respect of medical research.

Public benefit

The Trustees have complied with the duty in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission. Details of the activities carried out to deliver a public benefit are set out in the Achievements and performance section below.

Achievements and performance

During the year grants were paid to 44 organisations totalling £19,700 (2022: £20,700). Details of the ongoing support provided and the grants made are set out in the notes to the accounts.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023

Financial review

The attached accounts show the current state of the charity's finances.

Total income for the year was £35,003 (2022: £34,141).

Total expenditure for the year was £33,755 (2022: £32,826). Investment management costs were £9,598 (2022: £7,859). Grants to institutions were £19,700 (2022: £20,700). Support costs were £4,457 (2022: £4,267).

Net expenditure for the year was £61,487 (2022: income of £98,751) after taking into account the loss on investment assets of £62,735 (2022: gain of £97,436). There was a surplus on the unrestricted fund of £13,874 (2022: surplus of £25,457) and a deficit on the endowment fund of £75,361 (2022: surplus of £73,294).

Total funds carried forward at 5 April 2023 are £1,055,035 (2022: £1,116,522) of which endowment funds are £836,867 (2022: £912,228) and unrestricted funds are £218,168 (2022: 204,294).

The Trustees consider the overall finances of the Charity to be sound.

Reserves policy

At 5 April 2023 the charity had unrestricted reserves amounting to £218,168. The Trustees consider it to be prudent to hold income reserves of this order partly so that the level of grants in the immediate future can be sustained in the event of any unforeseen fall in incoming resources and partly to enable the Trustees to make one or more particularly substantial grants without prejudicing the normal pattern of grant making.

The Trustees have unrestricted investment powers.

Going concern

There are no material uncertainties in relation to going concern. Further details about the adoption of the going concern basis are given in note 1.10 to the accounts.

Investment policy

The expendable endowment fund assets are held predominately in quoted securities covering a diversified range of assets including Fixed Interest, UK and Overseas Equities, Commercial Property and Alternative Investments.

The investment objective is to maximise the funds of the charity through a mixture of the above assets, achieving a level of income commensurate to the asset mix and capital growth ahead of inflation over time. This objective should be achieved undertaking only a moderate level of risk. Currently around three quarters of the unrestricted income fund is held in quoted securities.

The unrestricted income fund is held in quoted securities and cash on deposit at the best interest rates available.

The Trustees' investments are managed by the investment advisors on a discretionary basis.

Asset cover for funds

Note 12 sets out an analysis of the assets attributable to the various funds. These assets are sufficient to meet the charity's obligations on a fund by fund basis.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



Ben Brown (Feb 2, 2024 12:02 GMT)

N B Brown

Trustee

Dated: 2 February 2024

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF MRS E.E. BROWN CHARITABLE SETTLEMENT

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 5 April 2023, which are set out on pages 5 to 13.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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



Rachel Heath FCCA DChA
BHP LLP
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Dated: 2 February 2024
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
<u>Income and endowments from:</u>					
Investments and deposit interest	3	35,003	-	35,003	34,141
<u>Expenditure on:</u>					
Raising funds					
Investment management costs	4	-	9,598	9,598	7,859
Charitable activities					
Organisations - less than £1,000	5	11,700	-	11,700	11,700
Organisations - £1,000 or more	5	8,000	-	8,000	9,000
Support costs	6	4,457	-	4,457	4,267
Total expenditure	4	24,157	9,598	33,755	32,826
Net gains on investments		3,028	(65,763)	(62,735)	97,436
Net income - net movement in funds		13,874	(75,361)	(61,487)	98,751
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward at 6 April 2022		204,294	912,228	1,116,522	1,017,771
Total funds carried forward at 5 April 2023		218,168	836,867	1,055,035	1,116,522

All income and expenditure amounts relate to continuing activities.

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 5 APRIL 2023

	Notes	£	2023 £	£	2022 £
Fixed assets					
Investments	10		977,687		1,050,106
Current assets					
Cash at bank and in hand		81,284		69,920	
		81,284		69,920	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11	(3,936)		(3,504)	
Net current assets			77,348		66,416
Net assets	12		1,055,035		1,116,522
Charity funds					
Capital funds					
Endowment funds			836,867		912,228
Income funds					
Unrestricted income funds			218,168		204,294
			1,055,035		1,116,522

The accounts were approved by the Trustees on 2 February 2024


Ben Brown (Feb 2, 2024 12:02 GMT)

N B Brown
Trustee

The notes on pages 7 to 13 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023

1 Accounting policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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 issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued in October 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

The E E Brown Charitable Settlement meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity and rounded to the nearest £.

1.2 Income

Dividends and interest are taken into account in the year in which they are received.

1.3 Expenditure

Expenditure is included on an accruals basis inclusive of any irrecoverable VAT.

Grants payable are charged in the year when the offer is conveyed to the recipient except in those cases where the offer is conditional, such grants being recognised as expenditure when the conditions attaching are fulfilled. Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year-end are noted as a commitment, but not accrued as expenditure.

All governance and secretarial costs are akin to support costs under SORP 2019. All costs other than investment fees are therefore shown as support costs under charitable expenditure.

1.4 Investments

Investments are included at their market value on 5 April and the unrealised net gains or losses arising from the revaluation are recognised in the Statements of Financial Activities.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)

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1.5 Fund accounting

Expendable Endowment Fund

This fund represents the value of the original gift to the charity in 1970, together with the net investment gains, realised and unrealised since that time. The Trustees are required to apply the income of the fund to such charitable objects and institutions as they at their absolute discretion decide. They are also empowered to apply the capital in the same way. However the Trustees consider that for the 80 year period of the trust the capital should be regarded as reasonably permanent and as such is shown in the financial statements as an expendable endowment fund.

Unrestricted Income Fund

These are the reserves which the Trustees are free to use in accordance with the charity's objectives.

1.6 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount repaid net of any trade discounts due.

1.7 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of the acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

1.8 Creditors and provisions

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

1.9 Financial instruments

The charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

1.10 Going Concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as the trustees believe that no material uncertainties exist. The trustees have considered the level of funds held and the expected level of income and expenditure for the 12 months from authorising these financial statements.

The charity has sufficient reserves to enable it to continue for the foreseeable future. Therefore, the trustees believe it is appropriate for the financial statements to be prepared on the going concern basis.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023

2 Prior year's statement of financial activities

	Unrestricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total 2022 £
<u>Income and endowments from:</u>			
Investments	34,141	-	34,141
<u>Expenditure on:</u>			
Raising funds			
Investment management costs	-	7,859	7,859
Charitable activities			
Organisations - less than £1,000	11,700	-	11,700
Organisations - more than £1,000	9,000	-	9,000
Support costs	4,267	-	4,267
Total expenditure	24,967	7,859	32,826
Net gains on investments	16,283	81,153	97,436
Net income - Net movement in funds	25,457	73,294	98,751
Reconciliation of Funds			
Total funds brought forward at 6 April 2021	178,837	838,934	1,017,771
Total funds carried forward at 5 April 2022	204,294	912,228	1,116,522

3 Income from investments

	2023 £	2022 £
Income from listed investments	34,539	34,134
Interest receivable	464	7
	35,003	34,141

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2023

4 Total expenditure

	Other costs £	Grant funding £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Raising funds				
Investment management costs	9,598	-	9,598	7,859
Charitable activities				
Organisations - less than £1,000	-	11,700	11,700	11,700
Organisations - £1,000 or more	-	8,000	8,000	9,000
Support costs (note 6)	4,457	-	4,457	4,267
	14,055	19,700	33,755	32,826

5 Grants payable

	2023 £	2022 £
Organisations - less than £1,000	11,700	11,700
Organisations - £1,000 or more	8,000	9,000
	19,700	20,700

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)

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5 Grants payable, continued	2023	2022
	£	£
Grants to institutions relating to organisations - £1,000 or more comprise:		
Magen David Adom	2,000	2,000
Nightingale House	1,000	1,000
The Royal Star & Garter Homes	1,000	1,000
St. John's Ophthalmic Hospital	1,000	1,000
Victim Support	1,000	1,000
SCOPE	1,000	1,000
Jewish Care	1,000	1,000
UCL	-	1,000
	8,000	9,000

6 Support costs	2023	2022
	£	£
Accountancy charges	3,636	3,516
Independent examination fees	804	732
Bank charges	17	19
	4,457	4,267

7 Trustees

The Trustees (or any persons connected with them) neither received or waived any remuneration during the year (2022: £nil).

The Trustees (or any persons connected with them) did not have any expenses reimbursed during the year (2022: £nil).

8 Employees

There were no employees during either year.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)

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9 Taxation

The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Schedule 6, paragraph 1 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore meets the definition of a charity for UK income tax purposes. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received with in categories covered by the Income Tax Act 2007, Part 10 S521 - S537 or S256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

10 Fixed asset investments

	Unrestricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022
Listed investments				
Market value at 6 April 2022	139,005	899,160	1,038,165	940,974
Disposals proceeds	(17,411)	(180,418)	(197,829)	(100,997)
Acquisitions at cost	24,703	142,454	167,157	100,752
Change in value in the year	3,028	(65,763)	(62,735)	97,436
Market value at 5 April 2023	149,325	795,433	944,758	1,038,165
Investment cash	-	32,929	32,929	11,941
At 5 April 2023	149,325	828,362	977,687	1,050,106
Historical cost:				
At 5 April 2023	102,727	524,943	627,670	
At 5 April 2022	96,830	503,536	600,366	

11 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023 £	2022 £
Independent examination charges	804	732
Accountancy charges	3,132	2,772
	3,936	3,504

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)

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12 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total £
Fund balances at 5 April 2023 are represented by:			
Investments	149,325	828,362	977,687
Current assets	72,779	8,505	81,284
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(3,936)	-	(3,936)
	<u>218,168</u>	<u>836,867</u>	<u>1,055,035</u>
 Fund balances at 6 April 2022 were represented by:			
Investments	139,005	911,101	1,050,106
Current assets	68,793	1,127	69,920
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(3,504)	-	(3,504)
	<u>204,294</u>	<u>912,228</u>	<u>1,116,522</u>
 Unrealised gains included above in the 2023 balances:			
On investments	46,598	270,490	317,088
	<u>46,598</u>	<u>270,490</u>	<u>317,088</u>
 Reconciliation of movements in unrealised gains			
Unrealised gains at 6 April 2022	42,175	395,624	437,799
In respect of disposals in year	-	(53,238)	(53,238)
	<u>42,175</u>	<u>342,386</u>	<u>384,561</u>
Net gains on revaluations in year	4,423	(71,896)	(67,473)
	<u>46,598</u>	<u>270,490</u>	<u>317,088</u>

13 Related parties

There are no related party transactions in either year.