

**Unaudited Financial Statements
for the Year Ended
5 April 2025**

for

**The Harry James Riddleston Charity of
Leicester**

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**Reference and Administrative Details
for the Year Ended 5 April 2025**

TRUSTEES

D J Brooks
P Dodd Chairman
S G Duxbury
A Khandelwal *
K Mokha
C Nangle
H Mockler
C E Smith Vice Chairman
H Singh
M R M Freer
M L Gibbins (resigned 1.9.25)

PRINCIPAL ADDRESS

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REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

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**Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 5 April 2025**

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 5 April 2025. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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).

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the notes to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, 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 published in October 2019.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The principal aims of the charity are to make interest free loans to young people to enable them to either start in business or further their education. Applicants are interviewed by a panel of Trustees and in the case of a business, have to provide a credible Business Plan. The application is then considered by a full meeting of the Trustees.

Public benefit

In planning our activities for the year we kept in mind the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit at our trustees meetings. In line with our objectives and achievements, noted below, we consider that we have benefited the public accordingly.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

Loans of £Nil (2024: £24,000) were advanced in the year and loans of £38,648 (2024: £49,182) were repaid. The trustees consider the performance of the charity in the year to be satisfactory.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

The financial statements show a deficit in the year of £65,045 (2024: £5,726 surplus) after a loss on investments of £17,355 (2024: £24,840 gain).

The investments provided the charity with a satisfactory income return with gross income from quoted securities of £24,810 (2024: £23,727).

Investment policy and objectives

The Trust Deed authorises the trustees to make and hold investments using the funds of the charity.

The trustees have considered the most appropriate policy for investing funds, being mainly the investment in UK and overseas stocks and equity shares, and have found that the mix of investments held at present meets their requirements to generate both a steady income and capital growth.

The trustees have engaged Charles Stanley as investment managers.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

Reserves of £1,064,645 (2024: £1,129,690) were held at the year end.

The policy is to continue the level of reserves to be able to carry on granting loans to individuals whilst aiming to provide sufficient resources from investment income to cover management and administration expenses.

FUTURE PLANS

The trustees continue to be proactive in finding ways of raising the profile of the Charity in order that further loans will be granted. In order to raise the profile of the Charity further the Trustees have engaged a brand designer and will then look at improving the website.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charitable trust is constituted by the Trust Deed dated 16 December 1970 as amended by a letter of consent dated 13 February 2008, a scheme of 27 August 2008, as amended by scheme dated 20 February 2020 and under the terms of the will of Mr Harry James Riddleston. The alteration of 1970 scheme will take effect with the words "under the age of 35 years" deleted from Clause 6(6) and replaced with "under the age of 45 years".

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

Appointment of Trustees is governed by the Trust Deed of the Charity. The Board of Trustees is authorised to appoint new trustees to fill vacancies arising through resignation or death of any existing trustee.

The number of trustees appointed should not be less than six but shall be subject to a maximum of fifteen.

Organisational structure

The trustees continue to delegate the day to day responsibility to the Clerk of the Trustees. Loan applicants are interviewed by the trustees and decisions in respect of loans and investments are made by the trustees at quarterly meetings.

Induction and training of new trustees

Each new trustee is given a copy of the Trust Deed and a letter which sets out the policies and procedures of the charity.

Risk management

The Trustees have assessed the risks to which the charity is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the Charity, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate the exposure to the major risks.

The major risk facing the charity is the non-repayment of loans back to the charity. However this risk is mitigated by the fact that initially interviews are carried out between the charity and the potential borrower along with guarantors and referees details being required. The loans are then agreed at regular trustees meetings before any payments are made. Trustees then carry out an annual review of the borrowers to ensure that their names and addresses are kept up to date.

The other major risk is the volatility of the stock market. However this risk is mitigated by the trustees engaging Charles Stanley to be investment managers, and reports are issued to the charity on a regular basis.

FINANCIAL CONDUCT AUTHORITY (FCA)

The Trustees were unsuccessful in obtaining authorisation from the FCA to perform lending on a 'limited permission' basis. The Charity has now paused all lending and is currently considering next steps and future options, including the possibility of offering grants.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on and signed on its behalf
by:

.....
P Dodd - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
The Harry James Riddleston Charity of
Leicester**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Harry James Riddleston Charity of Leicester

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Harry James Riddleston Charity of Leicester (the Trust) for the year ended 5 April 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

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

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

Mrs L G Parkes FCA FCCA

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Date:

**The Harry James Riddleston Charity of
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**Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 5 April 2025**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Investment income	2	-	27,662	27,662	25,364
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds	3	-	5,216	5,216	4,938
Charitable activities	4				
Charitable activities		-	27,830	27,830	26,755
Other	5	-	42,306	42,306	12,785
Total		-	75,352	75,352	44,478
Net gains/(losses) on investments		-	(17,355)	(17,355)	24,840
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		-	(65,045)	(65,045)	5,726
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		-	1,129,690	1,129,690	1,123,964
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		-	1,064,645	1,064,645	1,129,690

CONTINUING OPERATIONS

All income and expenditure has arisen from continuing activities.

The notes form part of these financial statements

**The Harry James Riddleston Charity of
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**Balance Sheet
5 April 2025**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Investments	8	-	735,417	735,417	708,765
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year	9	-	126,474	126,474	128,477
Debtors: amounts falling due after more than one year	9	-	109,856	109,856	146,501
Cash at bank		-	108,977	108,977	152,659
		-	345,307	345,307	427,637
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	10	-	(16,079)	(16,079)	(6,712)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		-	329,228	329,228	420,925
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		-	1,064,645	1,064,645	1,129,690
NET ASSETS		-	1,064,645	1,064,645	1,129,690
FUNDS	11				
Restricted funds				1,064,645	1,129,690
TOTAL FUNDS				1,064,645	1,129,690

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

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P Dodd - Trustee

.....
C E Smith - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The Harry James Riddleston Charity of Leicester is an unincorporated charity registered in England and Wales. The address of the charity is given in the charity information on page 1 of these 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 issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland', 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 in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland 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 financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

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.

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.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 5 April 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Investments

Investments are stated at market value at the balance sheet date. Any gain or loss on revaluation is taken to the Statement of Financial Activities.

Value added tax

Value added tax is not recoverable by the charity, and as such is included in the relevant costs in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash in hand and cash on deposit.

Debtors and creditors

Debtors and creditors with no stated interest rate are recorded at transaction price. Any losses arising from impairment are recognised in expenditure.

Concessionary loans

Concessionary loans include those made to third parties which are interest free and are made to advance charitable purposes. The loans are initially measured at the amount paid, with the carrying amount adjusted in subsequent years to reflect repayments, unless there is any doubt as to the repayment thereof, in which case suitable provisions are made.

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 12 months from authorising these financial statements. The budgeted income and expenditure is sufficient with the level of reserves for the charity to be able to continue as a going concern.

2. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2025	2024
	£	£
Dividends - Equities	17,335	16,823
Interest - Fixed interest securities	7,475	6,904
Deposit account interest	2,852	1,637
	<u>27,662</u>	<u>25,364</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 5 April 2025

3. RAISING FUNDS

Investment management costs

	2025	2024
	£	£
Portfolio management	5,216	4,938

4. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	2025	2024
	£	£
Trustee indemnity insurance	217	182
Clerk's fees	27,578	25,522
Sundry expenses	35	1,051
	<u>27,830</u>	<u>26,755</u>

5. OTHER

	2025	2024
	£	£
Room hire for trustees meetings	544	458
Independent examination	3,360	3,198
Professional fees	38,402	9,129
	<u>42,306</u>	<u>12,785</u>

6. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 5 April 2025 nor for the year ended 5 April 2024.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 5 April 2025 nor for the year ended 5 April 2024.

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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7. AMOUNTS PAYABLE TO INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

The amount paid to the independent examiner for the independent examination and accounts preparation was £3,360 (2024: £3,198) and the amount paid for other professional services was £NIL (2024: £NIL).

8. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Listed investments £
MARKET VALUE	
At 6 April 2024	708,765
Additions	92,187
Disposals	(48,180)
Change in market value	(17,355)
At 5 April 2025	735,417
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 5 April 2025	735,417
At 5 April 2024	708,765

Included in the total market value of investments are £313,523 of overseas equities (2024: £289,613).

Cost or valuation at 5 April 2025 is represented by:

	Listed investments £
Valuation in 2025	735,417

9. DEBTORS

	2025 £	2024 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Loans	126,474	128,477
Amounts falling due after more than one year:		
Loans	109,856	146,501
Aggregate amounts	236,330	274,978

During the year interest free loans advanced totalled £Nil (2024: 24,000). During the year loans repaid totalled £38,648 (2024: £49,182).

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025 £	2024 £
Accruals and deferred income	<u>16,079</u>	<u>6,712</u>

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 6.4.24 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5.4.25 £
Restricted funds			
Loans	1,129,690	(65,045)	1,064,645
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,129,690</u>	<u>(65,045)</u>	<u>1,064,645</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Restricted funds				
Loans	27,662	(75,352)	(17,355)	(65,045)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>27,662</u>	<u>(75,352)</u>	<u>(17,355)</u>	<u>(65,045)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 6.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5.4.24 £
Restricted funds			
Loans	1,123,964	5,726	1,129,690
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,123,964</u>	<u>5,726</u>	<u>1,129,690</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Restricted funds				
Loans	25,364	(44,478)	24,840	5,726
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>25,364</u>	<u>(44,478)</u>	<u>24,840</u>	<u>5,726</u>

12. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 5 April 2025.

