

Charity registration number 268066 (England and Wales)

THE FARTHING TRUST
ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees	Mr JJ Martin Mrs A White Mrs J Martin Ms E Bell
Charity number (England and Wales)	268066
Registered office	P O Box 276 Newmarket Suffolk CB8 1GW
Auditor	Whitings LLP Greenwood House Greenwood Court Skyliner Way Bury St Edmunds Suffolk IP32 7GY
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Solicitors	HCR Law 50-60 Station Road Cambridge Cambridgeshire CB1 2JH

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 5 April 2025.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and the Charities SORP "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)".

Objectives and activities

The Charity was formed as a vehicle to meet charitable causes in any area of the world. Although all manner of charitable causes are supported, the main beneficiaries are in the areas of education, health and human rights and the reconciliation/promotion of religious or racial harmony/equality/diversity, as well as the relief of those in need.

In setting objectives and planning for activities, the Trustees have given due consideration to general guidance published by the Charity Commission relating to public benefit, including the guidance 'Public benefit: running a charity (PB2)'.

Public benefit

The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

Activities

The activities for the year are set out in the attached financial statements. The Trustees have reviewed each grant payment during the year in conjunction with the Charity Commission guidance on Public Benefit. Many grant payments are deemed to have been made to institutions or individuals that fulfil more than one charitable purpose.

Grant making policy

Some of the grants and donations awarded during the year are to individuals and organisations that are known or have become known to the Trustees personally or through their acquaintances. Smaller grants and donations have to be agreed by at least two Trustees, whilst larger payments must be approved by all Trustees. Other applications received are considered carefully by the Trustees, with references being sought where considered necessary in order to verify the nature of the application. There are no financial or geographical restrictions placed on grant applicants.

Achievements and performance

Significant activities and achievements against objectives

During the year, the Charity received donations and legacies of £343,958 (2024 - £30) and investment income of £156,977 (2024 - £248,468). Grants payable during the year amounts to £527,785 (2024 - £512,814) with support and governance costs of £11,765 (2024 - £4,716). Outgoings on investment properties was £3,637 (2024 - £576) and costs for investment advisers and other charges was £10,135 (2024 - £9,721), leaving net expenditure of £52,387 (2024 - £279,329) before net gains on investments of £1,479,508 (2024 - £30,236).

Once again, numerous individual grant payments were made during the year and the nature of these payments is further explained in note 7 to the Financial Statements.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025

Investment performance

The Charity's investments are chosen based on ethical considerations, as well as being invested with the intention of producing a balance of growth and income.

An area of land in Littleport, which the Charity had a 23% interest in, was sold for development during 2020. The Charity will receive £2,408,688 in total, part of which will not be received until 2027. The delayed consideration has been included within other debtors (see note 16).

Further potential land sales are being negotiated, which will be reflected in the accounts for 2025/26 or future accounts, depending on the timing of the transactions.

The Trustees undertook a full review of the Charity's portfolio of investment land and property and these accounts reflect any changes to valuations deemed appropriate.

Financial review

Going concern

After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the accounting policies.

Reserves policy

As at 5 April 2025 the Charity has free reserves (unrestricted funds excluding investments and debtors due outside one year) of £1,178,606 (2024 - £1,137,610).

The listed investments and investment properties held by the Charity are structured so as to produce income available to be drawn to further the charitable objects. The programme related social investments are structured to further the charitable aims themselves and are not primarily used to produce an income for the Charity.

At the end of the year, the Charity has net assets of £6,236,535 compared with £4,809,414 at the end of the previous year.

Structure, governance and management

The Farthing Trust is unincorporated and was formed by a Trust deed, dated 24 June 1974.

The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

Mr JJ Martin
Mrs A White
Mrs J Martin
Ms E Bell

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

The Trustees are recruited and appointed by the Board of Trustees and are not subject to periodical re-election.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025

Organisational structure

The Trustees set out the general policy of the Charity. The day-to-day affairs of the Charity are run by Mrs A White, with responsibility for financial investments resting with Ms E Bell, investment assets with Mr J Martin and property with Mrs J Martin.

Other matters

Major risks have been reviewed and systems and procedures have been established to manage these risks.

Some of the Trustees are also shareholders in J H Martin & Sons (Littleport) Limited.

Statement of trustees' responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that year.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP 2019 (FRS102);
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping sufficient accounting records that 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, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

Anna White

Anna White (Feb 3, 2026 19:09:53 GMT)

Mrs A White

Trustee

Date: 03/02/2026

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE FARTHING TRUST

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of The Farthing Trust (the 'charity') for the year ended 5 April 2025 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet and notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland* (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 5 April 2025 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements* section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE FARTHING TRUST

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

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

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the statement of trustees' responsibilities, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

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

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud, is detailed below:

- Enquiry of management about any known or suspected instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations and fraud;
- Enquiry of management around actual and potential litigation and claims;
- Reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations; and
- Performing audit work over the risk of management override of controls and evaluating the business rationale of significant transactions outside the course of normal business.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk is also greater regarding irregularities occurring due to fraud rather than error, as fraud involves intentional concealment, forgery, collusion, omission or misrepresentation.

A further description of our responsibilities is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: <https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Other matters

The prior period financial statements were not audited due to the charity previously being entitled to exemption from audit under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED) TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE FARTHING TRUST

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



Jaimie King ACA

For and on behalf of Whittings LLP, Statutory Auditor

Chartered Accountants

Greenwood House

Greenwood Court

Skyliner Way

Bury St Edmunds

Suffolk

IP32 7GY

Date: 04/02/2026.....

Whittings LLP is eligible for appointment as auditor of the charity by virtue of its eligibility for appointment as auditor of a company under section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds Unaudited 2024 £
Income from:			
Donations and legacies	3	343,958	30
Investments	4	156,977	248,468
Total income		<u>500,935</u>	<u>248,498</u>
Expenditure on:			
Raising funds	5	13,772	10,297
Charitable activities	6	539,550	517,530
Total expenditure		<u>553,322</u>	<u>527,827</u>
 Net gains/(losses) on investments	 11	 <u>1,479,508</u>	 <u>30,236</u>
 Net income/(expenditure) and movement in funds		 1,427,121	 (249,093)
Reconciliation of funds:			
Fund balances at 6 April 2024		<u>4,809,414</u>	<u>5,058,507</u>
Fund balances at 5 April 2025		<u>6,236,535</u>	<u>4,809,414</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 9 to 20 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 5 APRIL 2025

	Notes	2025 £	£	Unaudited 2024 £	£
Fixed assets					
Investment property	13		3,219,422		1,832,500
Investments	14		1,198,297		1,199,306
Social investments	15		173,601		173,601
			<u>4,591,320</u>		<u>3,205,407</u>
Current assets					
Debtors	16	483,660		932,794	
Investments	17	350,002		132,635	
Cash at bank and in hand		820,553		542,118	
		<u>1,654,215</u>		<u>1,607,547</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	18				
		<u>(9,000)</u>		<u>(3,540)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>1,645,215</u>		<u>1,604,007</u>
Total net assets			<u><u>6,236,535</u></u>		<u><u>4,809,414</u></u>
The funds of the charity					
Unrestricted funds	19		<u>6,236,535</u>		<u>4,809,414</u>
			<u><u>6,236,535</u></u>		<u><u>4,809,414</u></u>

The notes on pages 9 to 20 form part of these financial statements.

The financial statements were approved by the trustees on 03/02/2026.....

Anna White

[Anna White \(Feb.3, 2026 19:09:53 GMT\)](#)

Mrs A White

Trustee

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

The Farthing Trust is an unincorporated charity, registered in England. The registered address is PO Box 276, Newmarket, CB8 1GW. The charity registration number is 268066.

1.1 Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and the Charities SORP "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)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities not to prepare a statement of cash flows.

The financial statements 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 Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102 rather than the version of the Statement of Recommended Practice which is referred to in the Regulations but which has since been withdrawn.

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

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

The trustees have reviewed the financial position of the Charity and have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Accordingly, the financial statements continue to be prepared on the going concern basis.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Designated funds comprise funds which have been set aside at the discretion of the trustees for specific purposes. The purposes and uses of the designated funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors or grantors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Endowment funds are subject to specific conditions by donors that the capital must be maintained by the charity.

1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

Rent is included in the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which it relates. Any outstanding rent at the year end is accrued for within debtors and any rent received in advance is carried forward as deferred income in creditors.

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the bank. Income tax recoverable in relation to investment income is recognised at the time the investment income is receivable.

Dividends are recognised once the dividend has been declared and notification has been received of the dividend due.

1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. All expenses including support costs and governance costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure headings.

Governance costs are those incurred in connection with administration of the charity and compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements.

Expenditure on investment advice and investment properties includes amounts payable to MM Wealth as the investment broker as well as legal fees and other costs in respect of the investment properties.

Charitable activities and Governance costs are costs incurred on the charity's operations, including support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.

Expenditure on raising funds includes all expenditure incurred by the Charity to raise funds for its charitable purposes and includes costs of all fundraising activities events and non-charitable trading.

Expenditure on charitable activities is incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the Charity's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

Grants payable are charged in the year when the offer is made 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 expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

1.6 Investment property

Investment property, which is property held to earn rentals and/or for capital appreciation, is initially recognised at cost, which includes the purchase cost and any directly attributable expenditure. Subsequently it is measured at fair value at the reporting end date. The surplus or deficit on revaluation is recognised in profit or loss. Please see note 13 for further information.

1.7 Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments are initially measured at transaction price excluding transaction costs, and are subsequently measured at fair value at each reporting date. Changes in fair value are recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred.

An associate is an entity, being neither a subsidiary nor a joint venture, in which the charity holds a long-term interest and where the charity has significant influence. The charity considers that it has significant influence where it has the power to participate in the financial and operating decisions of the associate.

Programme related investments represent loans made in special circumstances to those in need, which are deemed to be made in furtherance of the Charity's charitable objectives. The terms may vary between the loans, from 0% interest and no fixed repayments to a 10 year term with a fixed interest rate of 2% per annum. The Trustees reserve the right to review and amend the interest rate during the term of the loan.

1.8 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.9 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

Key sources of estimation uncertainty

Investment property valuation

Investment properties are valued annually by the Trustees. There is, however, an inevitable degree of judgement involved in that each property is unique and the value can only ultimately be reliably tested in the market itself.

3 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds Unaudited 2024 £
Donations and gifts	-	30
Legacies	343,958	-
	<u>343,958</u>	<u>30</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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4 Income from investments

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds Unaudited 2024 £
Rental income	11,917	15,917
Dividends receivable	122,361	203,745
Bank, building society and other interest	22,699	28,806
	<u>156,977</u>	<u>248,468</u>

5 Expenditure on raising funds

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds Unaudited 2024 £
Investment management	<u>13,772</u>	<u>10,297</u>

6 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Charitable activities 2025 £	Charitable activities Unaudited 2024 £
Direct costs		
Grant funding of activities (see note 7)	527,785	512,814
Share of support and governance costs (see note 8)		
Support	<u>11,765</u>	<u>4,716</u>
	<u>539,550</u>	<u>517,530</u>
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	<u>539,550</u>	<u>517,530</u>

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7 Grants payable

	Charitable activities 2025 £	Charitable activities Unaudited 2024 £
Grants to institutions:		
Need - UK Organisation	110,000	91,500
Need - Local	20,000	8,000
Need - International Organisation	65,000	61,000
Education - International Organisation	68,500	80,500
Education - UK Organisation	-	5,640
Religion - Local	200	1,200
Religion - UK Organisation	10,000	-
Human Rights - UK Organisation	5,000	6,000
Human Rights - International Organisation	2,000	15,000
Health - International Organisation	34,000	45,000
Community Development - Local	40,500	5,000
Community Development - UK Organisation	32,500	35,000
Community Development - International Organisation	78,500	106,300
Environmental - International Organisation	10,000	10,000
	<u>476,200</u>	<u>470,140</u>
Grants to individuals	<u>51,585</u>	<u>42,674</u>
	<u><u>527,785</u></u>	<u><u>512,814</u></u>

8 Support costs allocated to activities

	2025 £	Unaudited 2024 £
Sundry	800	396
Website	306	-
Bank charges	45	-
Governance costs	10,614	4,320
	<u>11,765</u>	<u>4,716</u>
Analysed between:		
Charitable activities	<u><u>11,765</u></u>	<u><u>4,716</u></u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025

9 Net movement in funds

	2025 £	Unaudited 2024 £
The net movement in funds is stated after charging/(crediting):		
Fees payable to the charity's auditor:		
- for the audit of the charity's financial statements	5,850	-
- for the independent examination of the charity's financial statements	-	570
- for all other services not included above	3,150	3,150
Loss on disposal of investment property	57,327	-
	<u>57,327</u>	<u>-</u>

10 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

11 Gains and losses on investments

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds Unaudited 2024 £
Gains/(losses) arising on:		
Sale of investments	(10,087)	30,236
Revaluation of investment properties	1,546,922	-
Sale of investment properties	(57,327)	-
	<u>1,479,508</u>	<u>30,236</u>

12 Taxation

The charity is exempt from taxation on its activities because all its income is applied for charitable purposes.

13 Investment property

	2025 £
Fair value	
At 6 April 2024	1,832,500
Disposals	(160,000)
Net gains or losses through fair value adjustments	1,546,922
	<u>1,546,922</u>
At 5 April 2025	<u>3,219,422</u>

The market value is based on the Trustees' best estimate of their respective values in the absence of professional valuations, or where appropriate, may be based on information from professional valuations relating to parcels of land within which the Charity has a partial interest. When properties are valued by estate agents during the year, these valuations have been used in the accounts.

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14 Fixed asset investments

	Listed investments	Unlisted investments (associated undertakings)	Cash in portfolio	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cost or valuation				
At 6 April 2024	679,667	485,444	34,195	1,199,306
Additions	209,435	-	-	209,435
Valuation changes	(20,708)	-	-	(20,708)
Movement in cash at broker	-	-	767	767
Disposals	(190,503)	-	-	(190,503)
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At 5 April 2025	677,891	485,444	34,962	1,198,297
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Carrying amount				
At 05 April 2025	677,891	485,444	34,962	1,198,297
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At 05 April 2024	679,667	485,444	34,195	1,199,306
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14 Fixed asset investments

(Continued)

All the fixed asset investments are held in the UK.

The listed UK investments are all managed funds and are listed on the London Stock Exchange. The basis of fair value for quoted investments is equivalent to the market value, using the bid price. Asset sales and purchases are recognised at the date of trade at cost (that is their transaction value). The Charity engages with investment advisers to assist with their investment policy to produce a balance on income and growth. The Charity has obtained investment advice in 2024/2025 from M M Wealth Ltd.

Part of the brought forward investment in an unlisted UK company was gifted to the Charity some years ago and the original acquisition value is unknown. It represents 75,000 ordinary £1 shares in J H Martin & Sons (Littleport) Ltd, which equates to 25.06% of the issued share capital. The shares were last valued by J H Martin & Sons (Littleport) Ltd in 2013 and this valuation is reflected in these accounts. No new valuation has been undertaken recently. The company's accounts to 31 December 2024 disclosed closing net assets of £5,062,075 (2023 - £5,116,269).

The remaining part of the brought forward unlisted investments comprises of 25.06% ownership in The Martin Grange Lane Partnership, which the charity received via a dividend in specie from J H Martin & Sons (Littleport) Ltd. The value of the partnership has been included based on the value of the assets it holds, which were valued by Brown & Co in 2022.

The significance of financial instruments to the ongoing financial sustainability of the Charity is considered in the financial review and investment policy and performance sections of the Trustees' Annual Report. The main risk to the Charity from financial instruments lies in the combination of uncertain investment markets and volatility in yield. The Charity is reliant on investment income to finance its work and this leads to a greater exposure to risk than holding funds in cash.

The construction of any investment portfolio and its continued maintenance is a very specialist and complex area, which is why the Trustees use professional advisers to assist with this aspect. Asset allocation is the practice of diversifying assets between different classes and is recognised as the most important part of the process of building a portfolio.

The Charity has no material investment holdings in markets subject to exchange controls or trading restrictions. The Charity operates an investment policy that provides for a high degree of diversification of holdings within investment asset classes, including listed and unlisted investments as investment property. The Charity does not make use of derivatives and similar complex financial instruments as it takes the view that investments are held for their longer term yield total return.

15 Social Investments

Programme
related
investments
£

At 6 April 2024 and at 5 April 2025

173,601

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16 Debtors

	2025	Unaudited 2024
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Other debtors	-	466,397
Prepayments and accrued income	17,051	-
	<u>17,051</u>	<u>466,397</u>
Amounts falling due after more than one year:		
Other debtors	466,609	466,397
	<u>466,609</u>	<u>466,397</u>
Total debtors	<u>483,660</u>	<u>932,794</u>

Other debtors represent deferred consideration payments relating to the sale of land partially owned by the Charity. The remaining consideration is payable in 2027.

17 Current asset investments

	2025	Unaudited 2024
	£	£
Flagstone deposit account	<u>350,002</u>	<u>132,635</u>

18 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025	Unaudited 2024
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	<u>9,000</u>	<u>3,540</u>

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19 Unrestricted funds

The unrestricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants which are not subject to specific conditions by donors and grantors as to how they may be used. These include designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes.

	At 6 April 2024 Unaudited £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	At 5 April 2025 £
General funds	4,809,414	500,935	(553,322)	1,479,508	6,236,535
Previous year:	At 6 April 2023 Unaudited £	Incoming resources Unaudited £	Resources expended Unaudited £	Gains and losses Unaudited £	At 5 April 2024 Unaudited £
General funds	5,058,507	248,498	(527,827)	30,236	4,809,414

20 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £
At 5 April 2025:	
Investment properties	3,219,422
Investments	1,198,297
Programme related assets	173,601
Current assets/(liabilities)	1,645,215
	6,236,535
	Unrestricted funds Unaudited 2024 £
At 5 April 2024:	
Investment properties	1,832,500
Investments	1,199,306
Programme related assets	173,601
Current assets/(liabilities)	1,604,007
	4,809,414

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21 Related party transactions

The Charity considers its key management personnel to be the Trustees. All Trustees give their time and expertise freely with no remuneration or other benefit in kind, either directly or indirectly from the Charity. The following related party transactions arose during the year:

a) There were no Trustee's expenses paid by the Charity in either year. The Trustees have waived expenses relating to postage, which are minimal in monetary terms.

b) The Trustees are shareholders in J H Martin and Sons (Littleport) Limited. Mr J Martin is also a director of J H Martin & Sons (Littleport) Limited. Mrs J Martin and Mrs E Bell were directors of J H Martin & Sons (Littleport) Limited for part of the prior year. During the year, the Charity received a dividend of £105,000 (2024 - £187,500) from J H Martin & Sons (Littleport) Limited.

c) One property in which the Charity held a minority equitable interest was sold during the year. In the prior year, this was let to J H Martin and Sons (Littleport) Limited for the sum of £4,000 per annum.

d) The Charity holds a 7.32% interest in the Waterbeach Trust. Some Trustees of the Charity are also beneficiaries of the Waterbeach Trust. Included in these financial statements is the value of this Charity's share of the land held in Trust of £2,939,422 (2024 - £1,392,500) and is included in investment property. The Charity also receives an annual rent of £2,477 which is included in investment income.

e) During the year, a legacy of £343,958 was received from a parent of the Trustees of the Charity. There were no conditions attached to this legacy.