

Charity registration number 274977 (England and Wales)

DOUGHTY CHARITY TRUST
ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

DOUGHTY CHARITY TRUST

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees	Mr G B Halibard Mrs M Halibard
Charity number (England and Wales)	274977
Principal address	22 Ravenscroft Avenue London NW11 0RY
Auditor	Goldblatts 4th Floor 4 Tabernacle Street London EC2A 4LU

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 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 (FRS 102)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016)

Objectives and activities

The charity's objects are to promote the relief of poverty and the advancement of religion and religious education.

Public benefit

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

Achievements and performance

Significant activities and achievements against objectives

The Doughty Charity Trust was approached by another English registered charity, Shiras Devorah Limited, who were desiring to buy a large property for which they did not have enough funds. Shiras Devorah operate a school but are oversubscribed and need to have a much larger building and this would be an ideal site, due to its location and size. They asked Doughty Charity Trust to lend £2,000,000 to them upon the security of the property being bought as well as various other securities which they were willing to provide.

The trustees of the Doughty Charity Trust had various meetings with the trustees of Shiras Devorah Limited and were satisfied that this was a most desirous acquisition, the security was more than adequate and that it would be an appropriate activity for Doughty Charity Trust to further the purchase and in line with the charity's objects. The trustees of the Doughty Charity Trust resolved and minuted that they should make the said loan for the purchase, and arranged borrowings as necessary, without interest, for the purchase funds. The Doughty Charity's solicitors investigated title to the property and the securities, and duly registered the various charges and debentures at companies house and the LandRegistry.

Since the year end, Shiras Devorah Limited have repaid £1,000,000 and the trustees of the Doughty Charity Trust are satisfied that the remaining balance will be repaid in the near future.

Distributed £593,623 to charities who were considered to be worthy charity recipients. A full list of donations made can be obtained from the trustees at the charity's address. The charity is fully committed to its present list of donee charities and therefore regretfully cannot entertain requests from other charities.

Financial review

The trustees are satisfied with the financial position of the charity at the 31 December 2024.

Reserves policy

Policy on Reserves

To retain sufficient reserves to deal with reductions to income.

Major risks

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

Structure, governance and management

The charity was established by a charitable trust deed on 12 September 1977

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

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

Mr G B Halibard

Mrs M Halibard

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

Trustees are appointed by the Trustees

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

Mr G B Halibard

Trustee

27 October 2025

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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

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;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; 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.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF DOUGHTY CHARITY TRUST

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Doughty Charity Trust (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 December 2024 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet and the notes to the financial statements, including a summary of 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 31 December 2024 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.

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.

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

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 145 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.

The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud, is detailed below.

Our approach to identifying and assessing the risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, was as follows;

- the engagement partner ensured the engagement team had the appropriate competence, capabilities and skills to identify or recognise possible non-compliance with applicable laws and regulations.
- we identify significant laws and regulations applicable to the charity through discussions with the trustees, along with our knowledge and experience of the charitable sector in which our client operates.
- we focused on specific laws and regulations which we consider may have a material effect on the financial statements or operations of the charity, including the Charities Act 2011, taxation legislation and data protection.
- we assessed the extent of compliance with the laws and regulations identified above through making enquiries of the trustees and inspecting legal correspondence; and
- identified laws and regulations were communicated within the audit team regularly and the team remained alert to instances of non-compliance throughout the audit.

We assessed the susceptibility of the charity's financial statements to material misstatement, including obtaining an understanding of how fraud might occur, by:

- making enquiries of the trustees as to where they considered there was susceptibility to fraud, their knowledge of actual, suspected and alleged fraud;
- considered the internal controls in place to mitigate risks of fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations.

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

To address the risk of fraud through management bias and override of controls, we:

- have performed analytical procedures to identify any unusual variances
- reviewed and tested journal entries and other adjustments to identify any unusual transactions
- assessed judgements and assumptions used in determining the accounting estimates which could indicate any potential bias
- investigated the rationale behind significant or unusual transactions.

In response to the risk of irregularities and non-compliance with laws and regulations, we designed procedures which included, but were not limited to:

- reviewing disclosures in the financial statements and testing to supporting documentation.
- reviewing meeting minutes where available
- discussions with management regarding actual or potential litigations and / or claims.
- reviewing correspondence with the Charities Commission and other relevant regulators

There are inherent limitations in our audit procedures described above. The more removed that laws and regulations are from the financial transactions, the less likely it is that we would become aware of any possible non-compliance. Auditing standards also limit the audit procedures required to identify non-compliance with laws and regulations to enquiry of trustees and the inspection of regulatory and legal correspondence, if any.

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.

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.

Seamus Ferguson FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of Goldblatts, Statutory Auditor

Chartered Accountants

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28 October 2025

Goldblatts 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 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
Income and endowments from:			
Donations and legacies	2	402,650	791,900
Investments	3	67,197	39,429
Other income	4	63,856	-
Total income		<u>533,703</u>	<u>831,329</u>
Expenditure on:			
<u>Raising funds</u>			
Repairs to properties	5	<u>17,583</u>	<u>3,429</u>
Charitable activities	6	<u>593,623</u>	<u>733,545</u>
Total expenditure		<u>611,206</u>	<u>736,974</u>
Net income/(expenditure) and movement in funds		(77,503)	94,355
Reconciliation of funds:			
Fund balances at 1 January 2024		<u>318,922</u>	<u>224,567</u>
Fund balances at 31 December 2024		<u>241,419</u>	<u>318,922</u>

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

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Notes	2024		2023	
		£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Investment property	13		661,500		661,500
Investments	14		10,000		10,000
			<u>671,500</u>		<u>671,500</u>
Current assets					
Debtors	15	3,044,500		1,410,000	
Cash at bank and in hand		95,941		12,944	
		<u>3,140,441</u>		<u>1,422,944</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	16	(3,570,522)		(1,775,522)	
Net current liabilities			<u>(430,081)</u>		<u>(352,578)</u>
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>241,419</u>		<u>318,922</u>
The funds of the charity					
Unrestricted funds	17		241,419		318,922
			<u>241,419</u>		<u>318,922</u>

The financial statements were approved by the trustees on 27 October 2025

Mr G B Halibard
Trustee

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Doughty Charity Trust is a charity governed by a trust deed dated 12th September 1977. The charity is registered with the charities commission in England and Wales with a charity registration number of 274977.

1.1 Basis of preparation

The accounts have been prepared in accordance 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 (FRS 102)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016). 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 applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 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, modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

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

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.

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.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

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.

Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges are allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

Grants paid out are recognised when the payment is made.

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.

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.

1.8 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.

1.9 Employee benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
Donations and gifts	402,650	791,900

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

3 Income from investments

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
Rental income	19,978	27,926
Loan interest	46,042	10,875
Interest receivable	1,177	628
	<u>67,197</u>	<u>39,429</u>

4 Other income

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
Other income	63,856	-
	<u>63,856</u>	<u>-</u>

5 Expenditure on raising funds

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
Repairs to properties		
Repairs to properties	17,583	3,429
	<u>17,583</u>	<u>3,429</u>

6 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Charitable activities 2024 £	Charitable activities 2023 £
Direct costs		
Grant funding of activities (see note 7)	588,586	721,533
Share of support and governance costs (see note 8)		
Governance	5,037	12,012
	<u>593,623</u>	<u>733,545</u>
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	<u>593,623</u>	<u>733,545</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

7 Grants payable

There were no donations above £50,000 in the year.

8 Support costs allocated to activities

	2024 £	2023 £
Governance costs	5,037	12,012
Analysed between:		
Charitable activities	5,037	12,012

9 Net movement in funds

	2024 £	2023 £
The net movement in funds is stated after charging/(crediting):		
Fees payable for the audit of the charity's financial statements	2,400	2,400

10 Trustees

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

11 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2024 Number	2023 Number
Total	-	-

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was more than £60,000.

12 Taxation

The Trust has not provided for taxation as it has charitable status.

13 Investment property

	2024 £
Fair value	
At 1 January 2024 and 31 December 2024	661,500

Investment property comprises freehold and leasehold property. The fair value of the investment property has been arrived at on the basis of a valuation carried out at 31 December 2024 by the Trustees. The valuation was made on an open market value basis by reference to market evidence of transaction prices for similar properties.

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14 Fixed asset investments

	Other investments £
Cost or valuation	
At 1 January 2024 & 31 December 2024	10,000
Carrying amount	
At 31 December 2024	10,000
At 31 December 2023	10,000
	2024
	2023
Other investments comprise:	£
Loans	10,000

15 Debtors

	2024 £	2023 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Other debtors	3,044,500	1,410,000

Further clarification can be found in the Trustees' Report, under the section "Achievement and Performance".

16 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024 £	2023 £
Other creditors	3,568,122	1,773,122
Accruals and deferred income	2,400	2,400
	3,570,522	1,775,522

17 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 1 January 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	At 31 December 2024 £
General funds	318,922	533,703	(611,206)	241,419

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

17 Unrestricted funds (Continued)

Previous year:	At 1 January 2023	Incoming resources	Resources expended	At 31 December 2023
	£	£	£	£
General funds	224,567	831,329	(736,974)	318,922
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

18 Related party transactions

Donations were received from the trustees and their family in the year of £379,000 (2023- £789,400). There are no conditions attached to the donations.

The Trustees and their family continue to lend in total £3,568,122 to the charity, of which £2,070,000 was lent in 2024.