

# GOLDEN STABLE

England & Wales · Charity number 276359

## Details

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**Other names** GOLDEN STABLE CHARITABLE TRUST

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Trust

**Registered** 1978-08-18

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

## Contact

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**Address** North Frith Farm  
Ashes Lane  
Hadlow  
Tonbridge  
TN11 9QU

**Phone** 01732 852214

## Activities

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**Objects:** GENERAL CHARITABLE PURPOSES WITH POWER FOR THE TRUSTEES TO GIVE PREFERENCE TO SUCH CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS OR PURPOSES WHOSE OBJECTS OR WORK INVOLVES THE FURTHERANCE OF THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST OR THE SUPPORT OF THOSE INSTITUTIONS AND INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED IN THE PROMOTION OF THAT GOSPEL.

**Activities:** Loans for projects undertaken by other Christian charities Grants to Christian work in third world countries. Share of equity in houses of christian workers in high cost areas

## Classification

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- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Other Finance
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Religious Activities
- **Who:** Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies

## Geography

- India
- Pakistan
- Uganda
- Kent

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£102,493	£98,545	-	-
2024-03-31	£90,866	£99,558	-	-
2023-03-31	£83,974	£170,896	-	-
2022-03-31	£63,349	£162,176	-	-
2021-03-31	£64,467	£236,472	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
<b>Nigel Thomas</b>	Chair	
Alice Bradley		2024-01-06
Cameron Thomas		2024-01-06
Emma Horne		2024-01-06
Isabelle Thomas		2024-01-06
Jenny Thomas		
Jessica Jay		2017-12-09
Jonathon Jay		2017-12-09
Thomas Horne		2024-01-06

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# Accounts

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GOLDEN STABLE

CHARITY NUMBER: 276359

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

NAME OF THE CHARITY:

Golden Stable

CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER:

No: 276359

PRINCIPAL OFFICE

Hopfield House  
North Frith Farm  
Ashes Lane  
Hadlow  
TONBRIDGE  
Kent  
TN11 9QU

TRUSTEES

The Trustees during the year were:

Nigel Philip Thomas  
Mrs Jennifer Miriam Thomas  
Jonathan George Rosies (resigned)  
Jessica Jay  
Jonathan Jay  
Cameron Thomas  
Isabelle Thomas  
Alice Bradley  
Emma Horne  
Thomas Horne

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Nigel Philip Thomas combines Trustee with Chief Executive Officer.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

T Lane  
Director in M N Jenks & Co Limited  
72 Commercial Road  
Paddock Wood  
TONBRIDGE  
Kent  
TN12 6DP

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

BANKERS

CAF Bank Limited  
25 Kings Hill Avenue  
WEST MALLING  
Kent  
ME19 4JQ

INVESTMENT MANAGERS

Psigma Investment Management  
126 Jermyn Street  
LONDON  
SW1Y 4UJ

SOLICITORS

Warners  
16 South Park  
SEVENOAKS  
Kent  
TN13 1AN

## GOLDEN STABLE

### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (CONTINUED)

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

The Trustees submit their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025, in accordance with current statutory requirements and the Charity's governing document.

#### **Structure, Governance and Management**

The Charitable Trust was constituted by a Trust Deed made on 23 May 1978 and registered with the Charity Commission under number 276359.

When new trustees are to be appointed they must be professionally competent and identify with the Charity's broad purpose as well as the detailed aims of the family trustees. All decisions are taken by the trustees. There are no other members of staff. Requests for loans or grants are made to individual trustees who discuss the suitability or otherwise with other trustees at their meetings.

#### **Objectives and Activities**

The prime objectives and activities remain unchanged. The Trust Deed gives preference to such charitable Institutions or such charitable purposes whose objects or work involves; "The furtherance of the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ or the support of those institutions and individuals involved in the promotion of that Gospel".

The Trustees have paid due attention to the requirements of the Charity Commission in respect of the need to make plain the public benefit of the activities of the Trust.

The objectives are pursued in the following ways;

1 **Loans** are made to UK Christian charities to enable them to undertake projects which would not otherwise come to fruition. Currently all loans are repayable within five years at a fixed rate of interest. It has been agreed by the trustees that any future loans will be smaller and of a short term nature so that more time and resources can be focussed on grants. The only loan currently outstanding is to a Christian retreat centre in Scotland.

2 **Grants** are made to Christian work in both the UK and to UK charities who carry out work abroad, including relief of the poor and education and training in skills that will help lift people out of poverty. Broadly speaking the charity aims to avoid supporting large organisations who require substantial grants, instead focussing on smaller projects with less profile that might otherwise struggle to receive support. This is the main activity of the charity and examples include:

#### **Qavah Charitable Trust**

The Qavah Charitable trust supports mental health issues amongst Christians by providing breaks and retreats to Christians in stressful situations. These retreats provide opportunities for participants to get the space they need to process the stresses and strains they face and receive prayer for their on-going struggles.

3 **Housing** - Occasionally where Christians are unable to find accommodation within their personal finances near their place of work, the Trust will enter a part equity agreement usually amounting to a small fraction of the whole. Over time these equity shares have become profitable investments.

The Charity does not seek out new clients as they come by word of mouth to the trustees from trusted sources within the Christian community.

No volunteers are used within the Charity.

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### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (CONTINUED)

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

### **Investments**

The main activity of the Charity is the distributing of grants each year which amount to around £100k per annum, but can vary depending on applications received and investment returns. With this in mind, the financial objective of the charity is to produce the best financial return possible with a low level of risk, in order to fund annual grant making and maintain the financial resources of the charity for as long as possible.

All decisions regarding investments are taken by the trustees as a whole, and the trustees recognise that the annual return generated by investments will not meet budgeted grant making and lead to a slow reduction in the financial size of the charity over time which they are happy with. The Charities low risk investment strategy means:

- Stocks and shares are handled by a regulated stock broker on a low risk basis.
- Property investments require security valued at least 20% over and above the loan granted.
- Part equity agreements will contribute no more than 50% of the property value.
- Short term loans will not exceed £30k and be repayable within five years.

The trustees recognise that the capital value of the charity will fluctuate in the short term which is more than compensated for by long term property investment. Sufficient liquid assets are held to meet short term grant making commitments.

The trustees consider the current diversity of assets to be more than sufficient for its purposes, but do not wish to invest further in property assets because of their long term nature unless a specific need arises that meets the charities objectives, rather than its investment strategy, and is agreed by all trustees.

Cash balances are held with a maximum balance of £150k deemed to be sufficient for liquidity purposes. Any monies above this are invested in stocks and shares to ensure a better return.

### **Restricted Funds**

The charity has no restricted funds.

### **Achievements and performance**

Once again Golden Stable has been able to provide financial support to charities and organisations that are doing some amazing work particularly amongst the poor both in the UK and abroad. The regular reports we receive make it a privilege to be a part of what these projects.

Looking ahead, the flow of funds from loans, both capital and interest, will start to decline as long term loans are finally repaid. This means that future grants will exceed income and mean the charity will need to start drawing on reserves of stocks and shares over the coming years to meet donations. A level of grant giving has been set which the trustees believe will enable it to continue offering grants well into the future.

The Trustees have complied with their duty in section 4 of the 2006 Charities Act having due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

### **Financial**

No fund raising is undertaken, and none is anticipated.

There is a constant flow of funds, both capital and interest, returning to the charity from interest bearing loans and investment in stocks and shares. Currently reserves are high as calls for loans have decreased due to the current financial climate. It is expected that future grants will exceed income from interest on loans which will decrease reserves over the coming years.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

The investments of the Charity have been acquired in accordance with the powers available to the Trustees in the Trust Deed and the Stock Exchange investments have been professionally managed by Canaccord Genuity Investment Management, independent investment managers.

**Plans for Future Periods**

Over the coming years the trust is planning to continue its work along the lines already established, with a greater emphasis on grants. A new generation of trustees has come on board this year to help continue the work of Golden Stable well into the future.

N P THOMAS  
TRUSTEE

Date: 29 January 2026

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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

Charity Law requires the Trustees to prepare in respect of each financial year of the Charity a statement of accounts complying with such requirements as to its form and contents as may be prescribed by regulations made by the Secretary of State. In preparing those financial statements the Trustees are required to:

- (a) select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- (b) make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- (c) state whether the policies adopted are in accordance with applicable accounting standards, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- (d) prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. 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.

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO

## THE TRUSTEES OF GOLDEN STABLE

I report on the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2025 set out on pages 8 to 15.

## RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TRUSTEES AND INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 145 of the Charities Act);
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

## BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and the seeking of explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts, and the report is limited to the matters set out in the statement below.

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that, in any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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; or
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102 March 2018, effective 1 January 2019).

I 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.

29 January 2026  
72 Commercial Road  
Paddock Wood, Tonbridge, Kent

T Lane  
Director in M N Jenks & Co Limited  
Chartered Accountants

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u> <u>2025</u> £	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u> <u>2024</u> £
<u>Income from:</u>		
Donations and Legacies	-	-
Investment Income (Note 2)	86,331	78,866
Income from Charitable Activities		
Loan Interest	3,162	-
Rental Income	13,000	12,000
	16,162	12,000
<u>Total Income</u>	102,493	90,866
<u>Expenditure</u>		
Cost of raising funds - Investment Management Fees	26,764	21,476
Charitable Activities:		
Gifts to Christian Organisations	55,287	68,288
Support Costs	2,164	2,801
Other Costs - Investment Property Costs	10,904	3,699
Governance Costs	3,426	3,294
	71,781	78,082
<u>Total Expenditure (Note 3)</u>	98,545	99,558
<u>Net gains (losses) on investments</u>		
Realised Gains/(Losses) on Disposal of Investments	(72,287)	(21,714)
Unrealised Gains (Losses) on Investments	216,781	139,517
	144,494	117,803
<u>Net Income (Expenditure)</u>	148,442	109,111
Transfers	-	-
Net Income/(Expenditure) before Other Recognised Gains and Losses	148,442	109,111
Realised Gains on Disposal of Fixed Assets held for Charity's own use	-	-
Unrealised Gains on Revaluation of Fixed Assets held for Charity's own use	25,278	(10,309)
	25,278	(10,309)
<u>Net Movement in Funds</u>	173,720	98,802
<u>Fund balances brought forward at 1 April 2024</u>	5,193,526	5,094,724
<u>Balances carried forward at 31 March 2025</u>	£ 5,367,246	£ 5,193,526

The notes set out on pages 10 to 15 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET

31 MARCH 2025

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2025</u> £	<u>2024</u> £
<u>FIXED ASSETS</u>			
Tangible Assets	4	527,969	502,695
Investments	5	4,623,720	4,618,154
		<u>5,151,689</u>	<u>5,120,849</u>
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>			
Debtors (including £149,328 [2024 - £Nil] due after more than one year)	6	159,335	844
Cash at Bank and In Hand		59,120	74,599
		<u>218,455</u>	<u>75,443</u>
<u>CREDITORS</u> : Amounts falling due within one year	7	(2,898)	(2,766)
<u>NET CURRENT ASSETS</u>		<u>215,557</u>	<u>72,677</u>
<u>NET ASSETS</u>		<u>£ 5,367,246</u>	<u>£ 5,193,526</u>
<u>THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY</u>			
Revaluation Reserve re Tangible Fixed Assets		102,446	77,168
Unrestricted Income Fund		5,264,800	5,116,358
		<u>£ 5,367,246</u>	<u>£ 5,193,526</u>

Approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by:

N P THOMAS  
TRUSTEE

Date: 29 January 2026

The notes set out on pages 10 to 15 form an integral part of these financial statements.

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies adopted are as follows:

(a) Basis of Accounting

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) – (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

The Charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS102.

(b) Income Recognition

Items of income are recognised and included in the accounts when all of the following criteria are met:

- The charity has entitlement to the funds;
  - any performance conditions attached to the item(s) of income have been met or are fully within the control of the charity;
  - there is sufficient certainty that receipt of the income is considered probable; and
  - the amount can be measured reliably.
- (i) Voluntary income is received by way of donations and is included in full in the Income and Expenditure Account as soon as it is received.
- (ii) Dividend income is recognised on the date of payment.
- (iii) Interest on loans, and deposits, whether they are loans to other charities or deposits with banks, building societies or other deposit holders are recognised on an accruals basis.
- (iv) Tax Recoverable. Tax recoverable is recognised when claimable.
- (v) Gifts in kind are included at market value when received.
- (vi) For legacies, entitlement is taken as the earlier of:
- the date on which the charity is aware that probate has been granted;
  - the estate has been finalised and notification has been made by the executor(s) to the Trust that a distribution will be made; or
  - when a distribution is received from the estate.
- Receipt of a legacy, in whole or in part, is only considered probable when the amount can be measured reliably and the charity has been notified of the executor's intention to make a distribution. Where legacies have been notified to the charity, or the charity is aware of the granting of probate, and the criteria for income recognition have not been met, then the legacy is treated as a contingent asset and disclosed if material.
- (vii) Rental income is recognised on an accrual basis.

(c) Value Added Tax

The Charity is not registered for VAT purposes and all costs are inclusive of VAT.

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### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

31 MARCH 2025

#### 1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

(d) Capitalisation and Depreciation of Fixed Assets

Provision is made for depreciation on fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost or valuation of each asset over their expected useful life, as follows:

Fixtures, fittings and equipment - 25% on written down value

All assets costing more than £500 are capitalised.

(e) Resources Expended

Expenditure is included when incurred. The irrecoverable element of VAT is included within the item of expense to which it relates. Support costs are those costs incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the Trust. Governance costs are those incurred in connection with administration of the Trust and compliance with constitutional statutory requirements.

(f) Investment Assets

Investment assets are valued at market value at the balance sheet date.

Fixed asset listed investments are valued at the prices quoted as at close of business at mid-market or last traded price on the relevant stock exchange as obtained from FT Interactive Data. Unit trusts are valued at bid prices, unquoted securities at prices obtained from accredited sources.

Investment assets include other interests in Land and Buildings. These represent loans for the purchase of freehold land and buildings which are secured by a legal charge thereon, in circumstances where the Trust holds an equitable interest in the property. The equitable interest is calculated by reference to the proportion which the Trust's loan bears to the purchase price of the property.

Gains and losses on disposal and revaluation of investments are charged or credited to the Statement of Financial Activities.

(g) Funds Accounting

Funds held by the Charity are either:

- *Unrestricted general funds* - these are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the Council Members.
- *Restricted funds* - these are funds that 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.

(h) Allocation of Costs

Those costs which cannot be allocated directly to a functional classification have been apportioned on a usage basis.

2	<u>INVESTMENT INCOME</u>	<u>2025</u> £	<u>2024</u> £
	Source of Investment Income:		
	Dividends - UK equities and Unit Trusts	25,611	27,200
	- Overseas	5,294	9,499
	Interest - UK fixed interest securities	31,489	25,221
	Interest - Overseas fixed interest securities	14,973	14,410
	Interest on cash deposits	2,638	1,027
	Other UK Investment Income	6,326	1,509
		<u>£ 86,331</u>	<u>£ 78,866</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

31 MARCH 2025

<b>3</b>	<b><u>TOTAL EXPENSES</u></b>	<u>2025</u> £	<u>2024</u> £
	These include the following:		
	Independent Examiner's Fees	2,172	2,070
	Depreciation	4	5
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The Charity had no employees during the year (2019 - Nil).

<b>4</b>	<b><u>TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS</u></b>	<u>Total</u> £	<u>Freehold Land and Buildings</u> £	<u>Fixtures, Fittings and Equipment</u> £
	<u>Cost/Valuation:</u>			
	At 1 April 2024	506,416	502,673	3,743
	Additions	-	-	-
	Disposals	-	-	-
	Revaluation	25,278	25,278	-
		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
	<u>At 31 March 2025</u>	<u>531,694</u>	<u>527,951</u>	<u>3,743</u>
	<u>Depreciation:</u>			
	At 1 April 2024	3,721	-	3,721
	Charge for Year	4	-	4
		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
	<u>At 31 March 2025</u>	<u>3,725</u>	<u>          </u>	<u>3,725</u>
	<u>BOOK VALUE:</u>			
	<u>At 31 March 2025</u>	<u>£ 527,969</u>	<u>£ 527,951</u>	<u>£ 18</u>
	<u>At 31 March 2024</u>	<u>£ 502,695</u>	<u>£ 502,673</u>	<u>£ 22</u>

All fixed assets are used in direct furtherance of the Charity's objects. The historical cost of the freehold land and buildings in Chiltern Way, Tonbridge, was £234,123. The property was purchased in December 2014 and has been professionally revalued in May 2023 by Barnes Kingsnorth, Estate Agents. The property in Salisbury Road, Tonbridge, was purchased at a historical cost of £190,900 in December 2016 and was professionally revalued in May 2023. A further property was purchased in Severnside, Sheffield at a cost of £68,982 in August 2022 and has yet to be revalued.

<b>5</b>	<b><u>FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS</u></b>	<u>Total</u> £	<u>Freehold Land and Buildings</u> £	<u>Other Interests In Freehold Land &amp; Buildings</u> £	<u>Listed Investments</u> £	<u>Cash Deposits</u> £
	Market Value 1 April 2024	4,618,154	898,150	1,292,011	2,331,477	96,516
	Additions	459,060	-	2,610	456,450	-
	Disposals	(597,522)	( - )	( - )	(529,534)	(67,988)
	Net Unrealised Investment Gains (Losses)	216,315	26,055	57,860	132,400	-
	Realised Investment Gains (Losses)	(72,287)	-	-	(72,287)	-
		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
	<u>Market Value 31 March 2025</u>	<u>£ 4,623,720</u>	<u>£ 924,205</u>	<u>£ 1,352,481</u>	<u>£ 2,318,506</u>	<u>£ 28,528</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

31 MARCH 2025

5 FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

Agricultural land was re-valued professionally in November 2023 by BTF Partnership LLP, Chartered Surveyors.

The properties at 3 Fairfield Way, 28 Beverley Crescent and 62 Town Acres in Tonbridge held as Other Interest in Freehold Land and Buildings were re-valued in May 2023 by Barnes Kingsnorth, Estate Agents. The property at 29 Roundfield Avenue, Harpenden has been professionally revalued by The Land Office, Estate Agents in March 2023.

The property at Coldharbour Lane was revalued by Barnes Kingsnorth, Estate Agents, in May 2023.

The Trustees consider that the property at Coldharbour Lane which was included in Investment Properties, together with Other Interests in Land and Buildings, are Mixed Motive Investments in that they assist Christian workers or missionaries who are unable to find accommodation within their personal finances near their place of work but can also provide a suitable rate of return. The total value of these investments included within the portfolio amounts to £2,056,550 (2024 - £1,965,761).

	<u>2025</u> £	<u>2024</u> £
Investments may be further analysed as follows:		
Investment assets in the UK	3,546,171	3,680,895
Investment assets outside the UK	1,077,549	937,259
	<u>£ 4,623,720</u>	<u>£ 4,618,154</u>

Fixed Asset investments include the following holdings which constitute more than 5% of the value of the portfolio.

	<u>Market Value</u> £	<u>% of Value of Portfolio</u> %
<u>Investment Properties</u>		
Hawthorns, Cold Harbour Lane, Tonbridge, Kent	<u>£ 704,069</u>	<u>15.23</u>
<u>Other Interests in Land and Buildings</u>		
28 Beverley Crescent, Tonbridge, Kent	437,201	9.46
62 Town Acres, Tonbridge, Kent	353,876	7.65
3 Fairfield Way, Tonbridge, Kent	268,453	5.81
29 Roundfield Avenue, Harpenden	<u>292,951</u>	<u>6.34</u>
	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
<u>Historical Cost</u>	<u>£ 3,212,241</u>	<u>£ 3,280,299</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

31 MARCH 2025

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
	£	£
6 <u>DEBTORS</u>		
Loans Recoverable [Note (i)]	158,372	-
Other Debtors	963	844
	<u>£ 159,335</u>	<u>£ 844</u>
(i) <u>Loans</u>		
Brought forward at 1 April 2024	-	18,000
Further advances during the year	159,500	-
Repayments during the year	<u>(1,128)</u>	<u>(18,000)</u>
<u>Carried forward at 31 March 2025</u>	<u>£ 158,372</u>	<u>£ -</u>
Due within one year	9,044	-
Due after more than one year	<u>149,328</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>£ 158,372</u>	<u>£ -</u>

At 31 March 2025 there were 2 loans (2024 - 0) different borrowers. The loans related to particular charitable projects and of special needs. The duration, rate of interest and other terms for each loan were negotiated on an individual basis. Original terms are not infrequently renegotiated subsequently. The maximum initial duration of fixed term loans made by the Trust is normally ten years.

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
	£	£
7 <u>CREDITORS</u> : Amounts falling due within one year		
Accruals	<u>£ 2,898</u>	<u>£ 2,766</u>

8 TRUSTEES' EXPENSES

No expense payments were made in respect of Trustees for the year.

No payments in respect of remuneration were made to Trustees during the year.

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9 DONATIONS AND GIFTS

During the year donations and gifts totalling £55,237 (2024 - £68,288) were made to various Christian organisations. Gifts of £1,000 or more were as follows:

	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
	£	£
Timeless Wonder Foundation	5,000	-
Birchfield Charitable Trust	5,000	4,900
Starfish Asia Fund	-	2,500
Qavah Trust (formerly Tonbridge Youth Trust)	11,000	8,000
Bluejay Trust	5,000	5,000
Mayenjene Trust	-	2,000
Golden Oak	4,999	-
Freedom International	-	5,000
This is Growth Ltd (GrowTH)	-	5,000
Arukah Network	-	5,000
Kids Club – Kampala	-	5,000
Stewardship	<u>24,000</u>	<u>25,600</u>

10 TRANSACTIONS WITH TRUSTEES AND CONNECTED PERSONS

- (i) Donations totalling £11,000 (2024 - £8,000) were made to Qavah Trust (formerly Tonbridge Youth Trust) being a charitable organisation in which N P Thomas and Jenny Thomas are Trustees.
- (ii) A charge of £2,160 (2024 - £2,160) has been raised in respect of the use of office accommodation and facilities by Golden Stable for the year to 31 March 2025. The office accommodation is owned by North Frith Farm, a partnership in which N P Thomas is a partner.

**GOLDEN STABLE**

England & Wales - Charity number 276359

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# Accounts

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GOLDEN STABLE

CHARITY NUMBER: 276359

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

GOLDEN STABLE

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

NAME OF THE CHARITY:

Golden Stable

CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER:

No: 276359

PRINCIPAL OFFICE

Hopfield House  
North Frith Farm  
Ashes Lane  
Hadlow  
TONBRIDGE  
Kent  
TN11 9QU

TRUSTEES

The Trustees during the year were:

Nigel Philip Thomas  
Mrs Jennifer Miriam Thomas  
Jonathan George Rosies (resigned 21 January 2023)  
Jessica Thomas  
Jonathan Hedge  
Cameron Thomas (appointed 21 January 2023)  
Isabelle Thomas (appointed 21 January 2023)  
Alice Bradley (appointed 21 January 2023)  
Emma Horne (appointed 21 January 2023)  
Thomas Horne (appointed 21 January 2023)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Nigel Philip Thomas combines Trustee with Chief Executive Officer.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

T Lane  
Director in M N Jenks & Co Limited  
72 Commercial Road  
Paddock Wood  
TONBRIDGE  
Kent  
TN12 6DP

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

BANKERS

CAF Bank Limited  
25 Kings Hill Avenue  
WEST MALLING  
Kent  
ME19 4JQ

INVESTMENT MANAGERS

Psigma Investment Management  
126 Jermyn Street  
LONDON  
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SOLICITORS

Warners  
16 South Park  
SEVENOAKS  
Kent  
TN13 1AN

## GOLDEN STABLE

### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (CONTINUED)

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

The Trustees submit their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024, in accordance with current statutory requirements and the Charity's governing document.

#### **Structure, Governance and Management**

The Charitable Trust was constituted by a Trust Deed made on 23 May 1978 as amended on 21 January 2023 and registered with the Charity Commission under number 276359.

When new trustees are to be appointed they must be professionally competent and identify with the Charity's broad purpose as well as the detailed aims of the family trustees.

All decisions are taken by the trustees. There are no other members of staff. Requests for loans or grants are made to individual trustees who discuss the suitability or otherwise with other trustees at their meetings.

The major risk to which the Charity is exposed is defaulting on loans. Wherever possible ample security is taken, covered by appropriate legal documentation before proceeding.

#### **Objectives and Activities**

The prime objectives and activities remain unchanged. The Trust Deed gives preference to such charitable Institutions or such charitable purposes whose objects or work involves; "The furtherance of the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ or the support of those institutions and individuals involved in the promotion of that Gospel".

The Trustees have paid due attention to the requirements of the Charity Commission in respect of the need to make plain the public benefit of the activities of the Trust.

The objectives are pursued in the following ways;

**1 Loans** are made to UK Christian charities to enable them to undertake projects which would not otherwise come to fruition. Currently all loans are repayable within five years at a fixed rate of interest. It has been agreed by the trustees that any future loans will be smaller and of a short term nature so that more time and resources can be focussed on grants. The only loan currently outstanding is to a Christian retreat centre in Scotland.

**2 Grants** are made to Christian work in both the UK and to UK charities who carry out work abroad, including relief of the poor and education and training in skills that will help lift people out of poverty. Broadly speaking the charity aims to avoid supporting large organisations who require substantial grants, instead focussing on smaller projects with less profile that might otherwise struggle to receive support. This is the main activity of the charity and examples include:

#### **World Vision**

World Vision is a charity organisation that operates on a large scale, having assisted nearly 100 countries that have suffered from extreme poverty or are currently in war. World Vision, first and foremost, aims to empower children of all backgrounds in poverty and respond to emergencies with immediate relief and long-term rebuilding. For over 70 years, World Vision has worked with communities, donors, partners and governments to tackle poverty at its roots by helping provide the necessary support.

Inspired by the Christian faith in which the charity was built, World Vision has not only provided food and shelter to children and families in need, but has also helped speak out on child abuse issues like underage marriage, child soldiers and child labour, while helping to influence laws and amplify children's voices. World Vision's primary ethos is to protect the children today, so that we can empower them tomorrow.

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### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (CONTINUED)

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

**3 Housing** - Occasionally where Christians are unable to find accommodation within their personal finances near their place of work, the Trust will enter a part equity agreement usually amounting to a small fraction of the whole. Over time these equity shares have become profitable investments.

The Charity does not seek out new clients as they come by word of mouth to the trustees from trusted sources within the Christian community.

No volunteers are used within the Charity

### **Investments**

The main activity of the Charity is the distributing of grants each year which amount to around £100k per annum, but can vary depending on applications received and investment returns. With this in mind, the financial objective of the charity is to produce the best financial return possible with a low level of risk, in order to fund annual grant making and maintain the financial resources of the charity for as long as possible.

All decisions regarding investments are taken by the trustees as a whole, and the trustees recognise that the annual return generated by investments will not meet budgeted grant making and lead to a slow reduction in the financial size of the charity over time which they are happy with. The Charities low risk investment strategy means:

- Stocks and shares are handled by a regulated stock broker on a low risk basis.
- Property investments require security valued at least 20% over and above the loan granted.
- Part equity agreements will contribute no more than 50% of the property value.
- Short term loans will not exceed £30k and be repayable within five years.

The trustees recognise that the capital value of the charity will fluctuate in the short term which is more than compensated for by long term property investment. Sufficient liquid assets are held to meet short term grant making commitments.

The trustees consider the current diversity of assets to be more than sufficient for its purposes, but do not wish to invest further in property assets because of their long term nature unless a specific need arises that meets the charities objectives, rather than its investment strategy, and is agreed by all trustees.

Cash balances are held with a maximum balance of £150k deemed to be sufficient for liquidity purposes. Any monies above this are invested in stocks and shares to ensure a better return.

### **Restricted Funds**

The charity has no restricted funds.

### **Achievements and performance**

Once again Golden Stable has been able to provide financial support to charities and organisations that are doing some amazing work particularly amongst the poor both in the UK and abroad. The regular reports we receive make it a privilege to be a part of what these projects, whether it's the homeless in London, a football club in Africa, preaching the gospel to the young people of Tonbridge or an educational programme in Pakistan.

Looking ahead, the flow of funds from loans, both capital and interest, will start to decline as long term loans are finally repaid. This means that future grants will exceed income and mean the charity will need to start drawing on reserves of stocks and shares over the coming years to meet donations. A level of grant giving has been set which the trustees believe will enable it to continue offering grants well into the future.

The Trustees have complied with their duty in section 4 of the 2006 Charities Act having due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

**Financial**

No fund raising is undertaken, and none is anticipated.

There is a constant flow of funds, both capital and interest, returning to the charity from interest bearing loans and investment in stocks and shares. Currently reserves are high as calls for loans have decreased due to the current financial climate. It is expected that future grants will exceed income from interest on loans which will decrease reserves over the coming years.

The investments of the Charity have been acquired in accordance with the powers available to the Trustees in the Trust Deed and the Stock Exchange investments have been professionally managed by Psigma Investment Management, independent investment managers.

**Plans for Future Periods**

Over the coming years the trust is planning to continue its work along the lines already established, with a greater emphasis on grants. It is hoped that a new generation of trustees will be coming on board this year to help continue the work of Golden Stable well into the future

N P THOMAS  
TRUSTEE

Date: 31 January 2025

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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

Charity Law requires the Trustees to prepare in respect of each financial year of the Charity a statement of accounts complying with such requirements as to its form and contents as may be prescribed by regulations made by the Secretary of State. In preparing those financial statements the Trustees are required to:

- (a) select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- (b) make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- (c) state whether the policies adopted are in accordance with applicable accounting standards, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- (d) prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. 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.

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO

## THE TRUSTEES OF GOLDEN STABLE

I report on the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2024 set out on pages 8 to 15.

## RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TRUSTEES AND INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 145 of the Charities Act);
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

## BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and the seeking of explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts, and the report is limited to the matters set out in the statement below.

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that, in any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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; or
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102 March 2018, effective 1 January 2019).

I 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.

31 January 2025  
72 Commercial Road  
Paddock Wood, Tonbridge, Kent

T Lane  
Director in M N Jenks & Co Limited  
Chartered Accountants

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u> <u>2024</u> £	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u> <u>2023</u> £
<u>Income from:</u>		
Donations and Legacies	-	-
Investment Income (Note 2)	78,866	70,974
Income from Charitable Activities		
Loan Interest	-	( - )
Rental Income	12,000	13,000
	12,000	13,000
<u>Total Income</u>	90,866	83,974
<u>Expenditure</u>		
Cost of raising funds - Investment Management Fees	21,476	25,498
Charitable Activities:		
Gifts to Christian Organisations	68,288	134,288
Support Costs	2,801	2,637
Other Costs - Investment Property Costs	3,699	5,460
Governance Costs	3,294	3,013
	78,082	145,398
<u>Total Expenditure (Note 3)</u>	99,558	170,896
<u>Net gains (losses) on investments</u>		
Realised Gains/(Losses) on Disposal of Investments	(21,714)	34,887
Unrealised Gains (Losses) on Investments	139,517	(144,978)
	117,803	(110,091)
<u>Net Income (Expenditure)</u>	109,111	(197,013)
Transfers	-	-
Net Income/(Expenditure) before Other Recognised Gains and Losses	109,111	(197,013)
Realised Gains on Disposal of Fixed Assets held for Charity's own use	-	-
Unrealised Gains on Revaluation of Fixed Assets held for Charity's own use	(10,309)	(51,213)
	(10,309)	(51,213)
<u>Net Movement in Funds</u>	98,802	(248,226)
<u>Fund balances brought forward at 1 April 2023</u>	5,094,724	5,342,950
<u>Balances carried forward at 31 March 2024</u>	£ 5,193,526	£ 5,094,724

The notes set out on pages 10 to 15 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET

31 MARCH 2024

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2024</u> £	<u>2023</u> £
<u>FIXED ASSETS</u>			
Tangible Assets	4	502,695	581,509
Investments	5	4,618,154	4,443,528
		<u>5,120,849</u>	<u>5,025,037</u>
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>			
Debtors	6	844	19,086
Cash at Bank and In Hand		74,599	53,186
		<u>75,443</u>	<u>72,272</u>
<u>CREDITORS</u> : Amounts falling due within one year	7	<u>(2,766)</u>	<u>(2,585)</u>
<u>NET CURRENT ASSETS</u>		<u>72,677</u>	<u>69,687</u>
<u>NET ASSETS</u>		<u>£ 5,193,526</u>	<u>£ 5,094,724</u>
<u>THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY</u>			
Revaluation Reserve re Tangible Fixed Assets		77,168	87,477
Unrestricted Income Fund		5,116,358	5,007,247
		<u>£ 5,193,526</u>	<u>£ 5,094,724</u>

Approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by:

N P THOMAS  
TRUSTEE

Date: 31 January 2025

The notes set out on pages 10 to 15 form an integral part of these financial statements.

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies adopted are as follows:

(a) Basis of Accounting

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) – (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

The Charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS102.

(b) Income Recognition

Items of income are recognised and included in the accounts when all of the following criteria are met:

- The charity has entitlement to the funds;
  - any performance conditions attached to the item(s) of income have been met or are fully within the control of the charity;
  - there is sufficient certainty that receipt of the income is considered probable; and
  - the amount can be measured reliably.
- (i) Voluntary income is received by way of donations and is included in full in the Income and Expenditure Account as soon as it is received.
- (ii) Dividend income is recognised on the date of payment.
- (iii) Interest on loans, and deposits, whether they are loans to other charities or deposits with banks, building societies or other deposit holders are recognised on an accruals basis.
- (iv) Tax Recoverable. Tax recoverable is recognised when claimable.
- (v) Gifts in kind are included at market value when received.
- (vi) For legacies, entitlement is taken as the earlier of:
- the date on which the charity is aware that probate has been granted;
  - the estate has been finalised and notification has been made by the executor(s) to the Trust that a distribution will be made; or
  - when a distribution is received from the estate.
- Receipt of a legacy, in whole or in part, is only considered probable when the amount can be measured reliably and the charity has been notified of the executor's intention to make a distribution. Where legacies have been notified to the charity, or the charity is aware of the granting of probate, and the criteria for income recognition have not been met, then the legacy is treated as a contingent asset and disclosed if material.
- (vii) Rental income is recognised on an accrual basis.

(c) Value Added Tax

The Charity is not registered for VAT purposes and all costs are inclusive of VAT.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

31 MARCH 2024

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

(d) Capitalisation and Depreciation of Fixed Assets

Provision is made for depreciation on fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost or valuation of each asset over their expected useful life, as follows:

Fixtures, fittings and equipment - 25% on written down value

All assets costing more than £500 are capitalised.

(e) Resources Expended

Expenditure is included when incurred. The irrecoverable element of VAT is included within the item of expense to which it relates. Support costs are those costs incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the Trust. Governance costs are those incurred in connection with administration of the Trust and compliance with constitutional statutory requirements.

(f) Investment Assets

Investment assets are valued at market value at the balance sheet date.

Fixed asset listed investments are valued at the prices quoted as at close of business at mid-market or last traded price on the relevant stock exchange as obtained from FT Interactive Data. Unit trusts are valued at bid prices, unquoted securities at prices obtained from accredited sources.

Investment assets include other interests in Land and Buildings. These represent loans for the purchase of freehold land and buildings which are secured by a legal charge thereon, in circumstances where the Trust holds an equitable interest in the property. The equitable interest is calculated by reference to the proportion which the Trust's loan bears to the purchase price of the property.

Gains and losses on disposal and revaluation of investments are charged or credited to the Statement of Financial Activities.

(g) Funds Accounting

Funds held by the Charity are either:

- *Unrestricted general funds* - these are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the Council Members.
- *Restricted funds* - these are funds that 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.

(h) Allocation of Costs

Those costs which cannot be allocated directly to a functional classification have been apportioned on a usage basis.

2 INVESTMENT INCOME

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£
Source of Investment Income:		
Dividends - UK equities and Unit Trusts	27,200	23,002
- Overseas	9,499	6,404
Interest - UK fixed interest securities	25,221	19,912
Interest - Overseas fixed interest securities	14,410	17,272
Interest on cash deposits	1,027	1,102
Other UK Investment Income	1,509	3,282
	<u>£ 78,866</u>	<u>£ 70,974</u>

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31 MARCH 2024

<b>3</b>	<b><u>TOTAL EXPENSES</u></b>	<u>2024</u> £	<u>2023</u> £
	These include the following:		
	Independent Examiner's Fees	2,070	1,980
	Depreciation	5	9
		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>

The Charity had no employees during the year (2019 - Nil).

<b>4</b>	<b><u>TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS</u></b>	<u>Total</u> £	<u>Freehold Land and Buildings</u> £	<u>Fixtures, Fittings and Equipment</u> £
	<u>Cost/Valuation:</u>			
	At 1 April 2023	585,225	581,482	3,743
	Additions	-	-	-
	Disposals	(68,500)	(68,500)	-
	Revaluation	(10,309)	(10,309)	-
		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
	<u>At 31 March 2024</u>	<u>506,416</u>	<u>502,673</u>	<u>3,743</u>
	<u>Depreciation:</u>			
	At 1 April 2023	3,716	-	3,716
	Charge for Year	5	-	5
		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
	<u>At 31 March 2024</u>	<u>3,721</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,721</u>
	<u>BOOK VALUE:</u>			
	<u>At 31 March 2024</u>	<u>£ 502,695</u>	<u>£ 502,673</u>	<u>£ 22</u>
	<u>At 31 March 2023</u>	<u>£ 581,509</u>	<u>£ 581,482</u>	<u>£ 27</u>

All fixed assets are used in direct furtherance of the Charity's objects. The historical cost of the freehold land and buildings in Chiltern Way, Tonbridge, was £234,123. The property was purchased in December 2014 and has been professionally revalued in May 2023 by Barnes Kingsnorth, Estate Agents. The property in Salisbury Road, Tonbridge, was purchased at a historical cost of £190,900 in December 2016 and was professionally revalued in May 2023. A further property was purchased in Severnside, Sheffield at a cost of £68,982 in August 2022 and has yet to be revalued.

			Other Interests		
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Freehold Land and Buildings</u>	<u>In Freehold Land &amp; Buildings</u>	<u>Listed Investments</u>	<u>Cash Deposits</u>
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>5</b>	<b><u>FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS</u></b>				
	Market Value 1 April 2023	4,443,528	907,500	1,315,773	2,128,753
	Additions	168,686	-	-	163,872
	Disposals	(111,864)	( - )	( - )	(111,863)
	Net Unrealised Investment Gains (Losses)	139,517	(9,350)	(23,762)	172,629
	Realised Investment Gains (Losses)	(21,714)	-	-	(21,714)
		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
	<u>Market Value 31 March 2024</u>	<u>£ 4,618,154</u>	<u>£ 898,150</u>	<u>£ 1,292,011</u>	<u>£ 2,331,477</u>
		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

31 MARCH 2024

5 FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

Agricultural land was re-valued professionally in November 2023 by BTF Partnership LLP, Chartered Surveyors.

The properties at 3 Fairfield Way, 28 Beverley Crescent and 62 Town Acres in Tonbridge held as Other Interest in Freehold Land and Buildings were re-valued in May 2023 by Barnes Kingsnorth, Estate Agents. The property at 29 Roundfield Avenue, Harpenden has been professionally revalued by The Land Office, Estate Agents in March 2023.

The property at Coldharbour Lane was revalued by Barnes Kingsnorth, Estate Agents, in May 2023.

The Trustees consider that the property at Coldharbour Lane which was included in Investment Properties, together with Other Interests in Land and Buildings, are Mixed Motive Investments in that they assist Christian workers or missionaries who are unable to find accommodation within their personal finances near their place of work but can also provide a suitable rate of return. The total value of these investments included within the portfolio amounts to £1,965,761 (2023 - £2,003,273).

	<u>2024</u> £	<u>2023</u> £
Investments may be further analysed as follows:		
Investment assets in the UK	3,680,895	3,060,965
Investment assets outside the UK	937,259	1,382,563
	<u>£ 4,618,154</u>	<u>£ 4,443,528</u>

Fixed Asset investments include the following holdings which constitute more than 5% of the value of the portfolio.

	<u>Market Value</u> £	<u>% of Value of Portfolio</u> %
<u>Investment Properties</u>		
Hawthorns, Cold Harbour Lane, Tonbridge, Kent	<u>£ 673,750</u>	<u>14.6</u>
<u>Other Interests in Land and Buildings</u>		
28 Beverley Crescent, Tonbridge, Kent	418,374	9.1
62 Town Acres, Tonbridge, Kent	336,140	7.3
3 Fairfield Way, Tonbridge, Kent	256,893	5.6
29 Roundfield Avenue, Harpenden	<u>280,604</u>	<u>6.1</u>
	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
<u>Historical Cost</u>	<u>£ 3,280,299</u>	<u>£ 3,247,730</u>

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31 MARCH 2024

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£
6 <u>DEBTORS</u>		
Loans Recoverable [Note (i)]	-	18,000
Other Debtors	844	1,086
	<u>£ 844</u>	<u>£ 19,086</u>
(i) <u>Loans</u>		
Brought forward at 1 April 2023	18,000	30,000
Further advances during the year	-	-
Gift made	-	(12,000)
Repayments during the year	(18,000)	-
	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 18,000</u>
<u>Carried forward at 31 March 2024</u>		
	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 18,000</u>
Due within one year	-	18,000
Due after more than one year	-	-
	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 18,000</u>

At 31 March 2024 there were no loans (2023 - 1) different borrowers. The loans related to particular charitable projects and of special needs. The duration, rate of interest and other terms for each loan were negotiated on an individual basis. Original terms are not infrequently renegotiated subsequently. The maximum initial duration of fixed term loans made by the Trust is normally ten years.

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£
7 <u>CREDITORS</u> : Amounts falling due within one year		
Accruals	£ 2,766	£ 2,585
	<u>£ 2,766</u>	<u>£ 2,585</u>

8 TRUSTEES' EXPENSES

No expense payments were made in respect of Trustees for the year.

No payments in respect of remuneration were made to Trustees during the year.

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9 DONATIONS AND GIFTS

During the year donations and gifts totalling £68,288 (2023 - £134,288) were made to various Christian organisations. Gifts of £1,000 or more were as follows:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£
Gartmore House	-	12,000
Birchfield Charitable Trust	4,900	-
Starfish Asia Fund	2,500	30,000
Qavah Trust (formerly Tonbridge Youth Trust)	8,000	7,000
Bluejay Trust	5,000	5,000
Mayenjene Trust	2,000	1,800
Grace & Light	-	5,000
Freedom International	5,000	5,000
This is Growth Ltd (GrowTH)	5,000	-
Arukah Network	5,000	10,000
Kids Club – Kampala	5,000	15,000
Yada Collective	-	10,000
Stewardship	<u>25,600</u>	<u>33,200</u>

10 TRANSACTIONS WITH TRUSTEES AND CONNECTED PERSONS

- (i) Donations totalling £8,000 (2023 - £7,000) were made to Qavah Trust (formerly Tonbridge Youth Trust) being a charitable organisation in which N P Thomas and Jenny Thomas are Trustees.
- (ii) A charge of £2,160 (2023 - £2,000) has been raised in respect of the use of office accommodation and facilities by Golden Stable for the year to 31 March 2024. The office accommodation is owned by North Frith Farm, a partnership in which N P Thomas is a partner.

**GOLDEN STABLE**

England & Wales - Charity number 276359

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# Accounts

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GOLDEN STABLE

CHARITY NUMBER: 276359

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

GOLDEN STABLE

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

NAME OF THE CHARITY:

Golden Stable

CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER:

No: 276359

PRINCIPAL OFFICE

Hopfield House  
North Frith Farm  
Ashes Lane  
Hadlow  
TONBRIDGE  
Kent  
TN11 9QU

TRUSTEES

The Trustees during the year were:

Nigel Philip Thomas  
Mrs Jennifer Miriam Thomas  
Jonathan George Rosies (resigned 21 January 2023)  
Jessica Thomas  
Jonathan Hedge  
Cameron Thomas (appointed 21 January 2023)  
Isabelle Thomas (appointed 21 January 2023)  
Alice Bradley (appointed 21 January 2023)  
Emma Horne (appointed 21 January 2023)  
Thomas Horne (appointed 21 January 2023)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Nigel Philip Thomas combines Trustee with Chief Executive Officer.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

T Lane  
Director in M N Jenks & Co Limited  
72 Commercial Road  
Paddock Wood  
TONBRIDGE  
Kent  
TN12 6DP

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

BANKERS

CAF Bank Limited  
25 Kings Hill Avenue  
WEST MALLING  
Kent  
ME19 4JQ

INVESTMENT MANAGERS

Psigma Investment Management  
126 Jermyn Street  
LONDON  
SW1Y 4UJ

SOLICITORS

Warners  
16 South Park  
SEVENOAKS  
Kent  
TN13 1AN

## GOLDEN STABLE

### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (CONTINUED)

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

The Trustees submit their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023, in accordance with current statutory requirements and the Charity's governing document.

#### **Structure, Governance and Management**

The Charitable Trust was constituted by a Trust Deed made on 23 May 1978 as amended on 21 January 2023 and registered with the Charity Commission under number 276359.

When new trustees are to be appointed they must be professionally competent and identify with the Charity's broad purpose as well as the detailed aims of the family trustees.

All decisions are taken by the trustees. There are no other members of staff. Requests for loans or grants are made to individual trustees who discuss the suitability or otherwise with other trustees at their meetings.

The major risk to which the Charity is exposed is defaulting on loans. Wherever possible ample security is taken, covered by appropriate legal documentation before proceeding.

#### **Objectives and Activities**

The prime objectives and activities remain unchanged. The Trust Deed gives preference to such charitable Institutions or such charitable purposes whose objects or work involves; "The furtherance of the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ or the support of those institutions and individuals involved in the promotion of that Gospel".

The Trustees have paid due attention to the requirements of the Charity Commission in respect of the need to make plain the public benefit of the activities of the Trust.

The objectives are pursued in the following ways:

**1 Loans** are made to UK Christian charities to enable them to undertake projects which would not otherwise come to fruition. Currently all loans are repayable within five years at a fixed rate of interest. It has been agreed by the trustees that any future loans will be smaller and of a short term nature so that more time and resources can be focussed on grants.

The only loan currently outstanding is to a Christian retreat centre in Scotland.

**2 Grants** are made to Christian work in both the UK and to UK charities who carry out work abroad, including relief of the poor and education and training in skills that will help lift people out of poverty. Broadly speaking the charity aims to avoid supporting large organisations who require substantial grants, instead focussing on smaller projects with less profile that might otherwise struggle to receive support. This is the main activity of the charity and examples include:

#### **Starfish Asia**

The vision of the charity is to create an environment for students to learn and achieve, so that they can take their place as equal citizens in Pakistan's future. The charity focuses on supporting the Christian minority who often experience marginalisation and as a result, poverty, within a largely Islamic community. However, Starfish Asia continually supports children from Muslim and Hindu backgrounds also. Their philosophy is to be mindful that we can't rescue everyone, but that we surely must rescue some, and that together we can make a great difference to many.

#### **GrowTH**

GrowTH is a Christian charity that works to support homeless men and women in the London Borough of Tower Hamlets. As well as offering food and friendship to those in need, GrowTH's main projects are the emergency night shelter, which provides immediate accommodation, and the housing project, which helps previously homeless people transition to living independently. GrowTH's philosophy is to be a helping hand on what, for many, is a difficult journey. Through stability, community and faith, they aim to reduce the number of people living on the streets.

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### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (CONTINUED)

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

#### **Grace and Light**

Golden Stable Charitable Trust has been able to support Grace and light dealing with the HIV/AIDS pandemic on a practical, spiritual and moral level in developed and developing nations. They have a response that tackles all three areas, with medical personnel and theologians working together to transform lives through their three principles of grace, openness and love.

They work through local churches of any denomination beginning with the church ministers and leaders, then addressing the entire congregation during a service, giving basic information and preaching the gospel and challenging people.

#### **Kids Club Kampala**

Work in some of the most vulnerable and poor communities in the urban slums of Kampala, Uganda. Kids Club Kampala's vision is to see children's lives transformed, communities empowered and poverty reduced in Kampala's slums.

They run Saturday Kids Clubs providing vulnerable children with a safe space to play, have fun, enjoy sports and receive counselling and support along with a hot meal. They also support children to attend formal school through their school sponsorship programme along with drop in centres where out-of-school children can receive basic education.

Kids Club Kampala provides Safeguarding projects with trained volunteers and councillors who identify at-risk children and provide support programmes. In regard to the high levels of unemployment throughout the country, the charities skilling projects offer free vocational training and business skills to help parents generate income for their families.

#### **Arukah Network**

The Arukah Network is a community development concept that is inspired by connecting people. This charity creates a space for critical thinking, amplifying solutions and making local voices heard while offering to fill in gaps of training when invited to do so. The Arukah Network's main objective is to build up the strengths of communities rather than pointing out their weaknesses.

Their aim is to use these strengths to their advantage by making the community voice something which is understood and acted upon by policy makers. The Arukah Network aims to diminish the stereotype that local people are incapable and instead encourage them to be in control of their circumstances.

#### **World Vision**

World Vision is a charity organisation that operates on a large scale, having assisted nearly 100 countries that have suffered from extreme poverty or are currently in war. World Vision, first and foremost, aims to empower children of all backgrounds in poverty and respond to emergencies with immediate relief and long-term rebuilding. For over 70 years, World Vision has worked with communities, donors, partners and governments to tackle poverty at its roots by helping provide the necessary support.

Inspired by the Christian faith in which the charity was built, World Vision has not only provided food and shelter to children and families in need, but has also helped speak out on child abuse issues like underage marriage, child soldiers and child labour, while helping to influence laws and amplify children's voices. World Vision's primary ethos is to protect the children today, so that we can empower them tomorrow.

## GOLDEN STABLE

### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (CONTINUED)

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

**3 Housing** - Occasionally where Christian workers or missionaries are unable to find accommodation within their personal finances near their place of work, the Trust will enter a part equity agreement usually amounting to a small fraction of the whole. Over time these equity shares have become profitable investments.

The Charity does not seek out new clients as they come by word of mouth to the trustees from trusted sources within the Christian community.

No volunteers are used within the Charity.

#### **Investments**

The main activity of the Charity is the distributing of grants each year which amount to around £100k per annum, but can vary depending on applications received and investment returns. With this in mind, the financial objective of the charity is to produce the best financial return possible with a low level of risk, in order to fund annual grant making and maintain the financial resources of the charity for as long as possible.

All decisions regarding investments are taken by the trustees as a whole, and the trustees recognise that the annual return generated by investments will not meet budgeted grant making and lead to a slow reduction in the financial size of the charity over time which they are happy with. The Charities low risk investment strategy means:

- Stocks and shares are handled by a regulated stock broker on a low risk basis.
- Property investments require security valued at least 20% over and above the loan granted.
- Part equity agreements will contribute no more than 50% of the property value.
- Short term loans will not exceed £30k and be repayable within five years.

The trustees recognise that the capital value of the charity will fluctuate in the short term which is more than compensated for by long term property investment. Sufficient liquid assets are held to meet short term grant making commitments.

The trustees consider the current diversity of assets to be more than sufficient for its purposes, but do not wish to invest further in property assets because of their long term nature unless a specific need arises that meets the charities objectives, rather than its investment strategy, and is agreed by all trustees.

Cash balances are held with a maximum balance of £150k deemed to be sufficient for liquidity purposes. Any monies above this are invested in stocks and shares to ensure a better return.

#### **Restricted Funds**

The charity has no restricted funds.

#### **Achievements and performance**

Once again Golden Stable has been able to provide financial support to charities and organisations that are doing some amazing work particularly amongst the poor both in the UK and abroad. The regular reports we receive make it a privilege to be a part of what these projects, whether it's the homeless in London, a football club in Africa, preaching the gospel to the young people of Tonbridge or an educational programme in Pakistan.

Looking ahead, the flow of funds from loans, both capital and interest, will start to decline as long term loans are finally repaid. This means that future grants will exceed income and mean the charity will need to start drawing on reserves of stocks and shares over the coming years to meet donations. A level of grant giving has been set which the trustees believe will enable it to continue offering grants well into the future.

The Trustees have complied with their duty in section 4 of the 2006 Charities Act having due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

**Financial**

No fund raising is undertaken, and none is anticipated.

There is a constant flow of funds, both capital and interest, returning to the charity from interest bearing loans and investment in stocks and shares. Currently reserves are high as calls for loans have decreased due to the current financial climate. It is expected that future grants will exceed income from interest on loans which will decrease reserves over the coming years.

The investments of the Charity have been acquired in accordance with the powers available to the Trustees in the Trust Deed and the Stock Exchange investments have been professionally managed by Psigma Investment Management, independent investment managers.

**Plans for Future Periods**

Over the coming years the trust is planning to continue its work along the lines already established, with a greater emphasis on grants. It is hoped that a new generation of trustees will be coming on board this year to help continue the work of Golden Stable well into the future

N P THOMAS  
TRUSTEE

Date: 22 January 2024

GOLDEN STABLE

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

Charity Law requires the Trustees to prepare in respect of each financial year of the Charity a statement of accounts complying with such requirements as to its form and contents as may be prescribed by regulations made by the Secretary of State. In preparing those financial statements the Trustees are required to:

- (a) select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- (b) make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- (c) state whether the policies adopted are in accordance with applicable accounting standards, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- (d) prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. 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.

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO

## THE TRUSTEES OF GOLDEN STABLE

I report on the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2023 set out on pages 9 to 16.

## RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TRUSTEES AND INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 145 of the Charities Act);
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

## BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and the seeking of explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts, and the report is limited to the matters set out in the statement below.

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that, in any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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; or
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102 March 2018, effective 1 January 2019).

I 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.

22 January 2024  
72 Commercial Road  
Paddock Wood, Tonbridge, Kent

T Lane  
Director in M N Jenks & Co Limited  
Chartered Accountants

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u> <u>2023</u> £	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u> <u>2022</u> £
<u>Income from:</u>		
Donations and Legacies	-	-
Investment Income (Note 2)	70,974	52,599
Income from Charitable Activities		
Loan Interest	( - )	(1,250)
Rental Income	13,000	12,000
	13,000	10,750
<u>Total Income</u>	83,974	63,349
<u>Expenditure</u>		
Cost of raising funds - Investment Management Fees	25,499	26,490
Charitable Activities:		
Gifts to Christian Organisations	134,288	128,528
Support Costs	2,637	2,531
Other Costs - Investment Property Costs	5,460	1,780
Governance Costs	3,013	2,847
	145,398	135,686
<u>Total Expenditure (Note 3)</u>	170,896	162,176
<u>Net gains (losses) on investments</u>		
Realised Gains/(Losses) on Disposal of Investments	34,887	87,457
Unrealised Gains (Losses) on Investments	(144,978)	153,703
	(110,091)	241,160
<u>Net Income (Expenditure)</u>	(197,013)	142,333
Transfers	-	-
Net Income/(Expenditure) before Other Recognised Gains and Losses	(197,013)	142,333
Realised Gains on Disposal of Fixed Assets held for Charity's own use	-	-
Unrealised Gains on Revaluation of Fixed Assets held for Charity's own use	(51,213)	41,248
	(51,213)	41,248
<u>Net Movement in Funds</u>	(248,226)	183,581
<u>Fund balances brought forward at 1 April 2022</u>	5,342,950	5,159,369
<u>Balances carried forward at 31 March 2023</u>	£ 5,094,724	£ 5,342,950

The notes set out on pages 11 to 16 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET

31 MARCH 2023

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2023</u> £	<u>2022</u> £
<u>FIXED ASSETS</u>			
Tangible Assets	4	581,509	563,749
Investments	5	4,443,528	4,579,245
		<u>5,025,037</u>	<u>5,142,994</u>
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>			
Debtors (including loans receivable after more than one year of £ (2022 - £ Nil))	6	19,086	30,470
Cash at Bank and In Hand		53,186	171,939
		<u>72,272</u>	<u>202,409</u>
<u>CREDITORS</u> : Amounts falling due within one year	7	(2,585)	(2,453)
<u>NET CURRENT ASSETS</u>		<u>69,687</u>	<u>199,956</u>
<u>NET ASSETS</u>		<u>£ 5,094,724</u>	<u>£ 5,342,950</u>
<u>THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY</u>			
Revaluation Reserve re Tangible Fixed Assets		87,477	138,690
Unrestricted Income Fund		5,007,247	5,204,260
		<u>£ 5,094,724</u>	<u>£ 5,342,950</u>

Approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by:

N P THOMAS  
TRUSTEE

Date: 22 January 2024

The notes set out on pages 11 to 16 form an integral part of these financial statements.

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies adopted are as follows:

(a) Basis of Accounting

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) – (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

The Charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS102.

(b) Income Recognition

Items of income are recognised and included in the accounts when all of the following criteria are met:

- The charity has entitlement to the funds;
  - any performance conditions attached to the item(s) of income have been met or are fully within the control of the charity;
  - there is sufficient certainty that receipt of the income is considered probable; and
  - the amount can be measured reliably.
- (i) Voluntary income is received by way of donations and is included in full in the Income and Expenditure Account as soon as it is received.
- (ii) Dividend income is recognised on the date of payment.
- (iii) Interest on loans, and deposits, whether they are loans to other charities or deposits with banks, building societies or other deposit holders are recognised on an accruals basis.
- (iv) Tax Recoverable. Tax recoverable is recognised when claimable.
- (v) Gifts in kind are included at market value when received.
- (vi) For legacies, entitlement is taken as the earlier of:
- the date on which the charity is aware that probate has been granted;
  - the estate has been finalised and notification has been made by the executor(s) to the Trust that a distribution will be made; or
  - when a distribution is received from the estate.
- Receipt of a legacy, in whole or in part, is only considered probable when the amount can be measured reliably and the charity has been notified of the executor's intention to make a distribution. Where legacies have been notified to the charity, or the charity is aware of the granting of probate, and the criteria for income recognition have not been met, then the legacy is treated as a contingent asset and disclosed if material.
- (vii) Rental income is recognised on an accrual basis.

(c) Value Added Tax

The Charity is not registered for VAT purposes and all costs are inclusive of VAT.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

31 MARCH 2023

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

(d) Capitalisation and Depreciation of Fixed Assets

Provision is made for depreciation on fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost or valuation of each asset over their expected useful life, as follows:

Fixtures, fittings and equipment - 25% on written down value

All assets costing more than £500 are capitalised.

(e) Resources Expended

Expenditure is included when incurred. The irrecoverable element of VAT is included within the item of expense to which it relates. Support costs are those costs incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the Trust. Governance costs are those incurred in connection with administration of the Trust and compliance with constitutional statutory requirements.

(f) Investment Assets

Investment assets are valued at market value at the balance sheet date.

Fixed asset listed investments are valued at the prices quoted as at close of business at mid-market or last traded price on the relevant stock exchange as obtained from FT Interactive Data. Unit trusts are valued at bid prices, unquoted securities at prices obtained from accredited sources.

Investment assets include other interests in Land and Buildings. These represent loans for the purchase of freehold land and buildings which are secured by a legal charge thereon, in circumstances where the Trust holds an equitable interest in the property. The equitable interest is calculated by reference to the proportion which the Trust's loan bears to the purchase price of the property.

Gains and losses on disposal and revaluation of investments are charged or credited to the Statement of Financial Activities.

(g) Funds Accounting

Funds held by the Charity are either:

- *Unrestricted general funds* - these are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the Council Members.
- *Restricted funds* - these are funds that 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.

(h) Allocation of Costs

Those costs which cannot be allocated directly to a functional classification have been apportioned on a usage basis.

2 INVESTMENT INCOME

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
	£	£
Source of Investment Income:		
Dividends - UK equities and Unit Trusts	23,002	19,411
- Overseas	6,404	4,423
Interest - UK fixed interest securities	19,912	14,262
Interest - Overseas fixed interest securities	17,272	13,820
Interest on cash deposits	1,102	32
Other UK Investment Income	3,282	651
	<u>£ 70,974</u>	<u>£ 52,599</u>

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31 MARCH 2023

<b>3</b>	<b><u>TOTAL EXPENSES</u></b>	<u>2023</u> £	<u>2022</u> £
	These include the following:		
	Independent Examiner's Fees	1,980	1,890
	Depreciation	9	12
		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>

The Charity had no employees during the year (2019 - Nil).

<b>4</b>	<b><u>TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS</u></b>	<u>Total</u> £	<u>Freehold Land and Buildings</u> £	<u>Fixtures, Fittings and Equipment</u> £
	<u>Cost/Valuation:</u>			
	At 1 April 2022	567,456	563,713	3,743
	Additions	68,982	68,982	-
	Disposals	-	-	-
	Revaluation	(51,213)	(51,213)	-
	<u>At 31 March 2023</u>	<u>585,225</u>	<u>581,482</u>	<u>3,743</u>
	<u>Depreciation:</u>			
	At 1 April 2022	3,707	-	3,707
	Charge for Year	9	-	9
	Disposals	-	-	-
	<u>At 31 March 2023</u>	<u>3,716</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,716</u>
	<u>BOOK VALUE:</u>			
	<u>At 31 March 2023</u>	<u>£ 581,509</u>	<u>£ 581,482</u>	<u>£ 27</u>
	<u>At 31 March 2022</u>	<u>£ 563,749</u>	<u>£ 563,713</u>	<u>£ 36</u>

All fixed assets are used in direct furtherance of the Charity's objects. The historical cost of the freehold land and buildings in Chiltern Way, Tonbridge, was £234,123. The property was purchased in December 2014 and has been professionally revalued in May 2023 by Barnes Kingsnorth, Estate Agents. The property in Salisbury Road, Tonbridge, was purchased at a historical cost of £190,900 in December 2016 and was professionally revalued in May 2023. A further property was purchased in Severnside, Sheffield at a cost of £68,982 in August 2022 and has yet to be revalued.

<b>5</b>	<b><u>FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS</u></b>	<u>Total</u> £	<u>Freehold Land and Buildings</u> £	<u>Other Interests In Freehold Land &amp; Buildings</u> £	<u>Listed Investments</u> £	<u>Cash Deposits</u> £
	Market Value 1 April 2022	4,579,245	885,369	1,328,303	2,249,756	115,817
	Additions	534,672	-	-	534,672	-
	Disposals	(560,298)	( - )	( - )	(535,983)	(24,315)
	Net Unrealised Investment Gains (Losses)	(144,978)	22,131	(12,530)	(154,579)	-
	Realised Investment Gains (Losses)	34,887	-	-	34,887	-
	<u>Market Value 31 March 2023</u>	<u>£ 4,443,528</u>	<u>£ 907,500</u>	<u>£ 1,315,773</u>	<u>£ 2,128,753</u>	<u>£ 91,502</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

31 MARCH 2023

5 FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

Agricultural land was re-valued professionally in November 2023 by BTF Partnership LLP, Chartered Surveyors.

The properties at 3 Fairfield Way, 28 Beverley Crescent and 62 Town Acres in Tonbridge held as Other Interest in Freehold Land and Buildings were re-valued in May 2023 by Barnes Kingsnorth, Estate Agents. The property at 29 Roundfield Avenue, Harpenden has been professionally revalued by The Land Office, Estate Agents in March 2023.

The property at Coldharbour Lane was revalued by Barnes Kingsnorth, Estate Agents, in May 2023.

The Trustees consider that the property at Coldharbour Lane which was included in Investment Properties, together with Other Interests in Land and Buildings, are Mixed Motive Investments in that they assist Christian workers or missionaries who are unable to find accommodation within their personal finances near their place of work but can also provide a suitable rate of return. The total value of these investments included within the portfolio amounts to £2,003,273 (2022 - £2,002,772).

	<u>2023</u> £	<u>2022</u> £
Investments may be further analysed as follows:		
Investment assets in the UK	3,060,965	3,229,006
Investment assets outside the UK	1,382,563	1,350,239
	<u>£ 4,443,528</u>	<u>£ 4,579,245</u>

Fixed Asset investments include the following holdings which constitute more than 5% of the value of the portfolio.

	<u>Market Value</u> £	<u>% of Value of Portfolio</u> %
<u>Investment Properties</u>		
Hawthorns, Cold Harbour Lane, Tonbridge, Kent	<u>£ 687,500</u>	<u>15.47</u>
<u>Other Interests in Land and Buildings</u>		
28 Beverley Crescent, Tonbridge, Kent	426,192	9.61
62 Town Acres, Tonbridge, Kent	343,000	7.72
3 Fairfield Way, Tonbridge, Kent	262,136	5.90
29 Roundfield Avenue, Harpenden	<u>283,725</u>	<u>6.39</u>
	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
<u>Historical Cost</u>	<u>£ 3,247,730</u>	<u>£ 3,240,712</u>

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31 MARCH 2023

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
	£	£
6 <u>DEBTORS</u>		
Loans Recoverable [Note (i)]	18,000	30,000
Other Debtors	1,086	470
	<u>£ 19,086</u>	<u>£ 30,470</u>
(i) <u>Loans</u>		
Brought forward at 1 April 2022	30,000	30,000
Further advances during the year	-	-
Gift made	(12,000)	-
Repayments during the year	-	-
	<u>£ 18,000</u>	<u>£ 30,000</u>
<u>Carried forward at 31 March 2023</u>		
	<u>£ 18,000</u>	<u>£ 30,000</u>
Due within one year	18,000	-
Due after more than one year	-	30,000
	<u>£ 18,000</u>	<u>£ 30,000</u>

At 31 March 2023 there was one loan (2022 - 1) different borrowers. The loans related to particular charitable projects and of special needs. The duration, rate of interest and other terms for each loan were negotiated on an individual basis. Original terms are not infrequently renegotiated subsequently. The maximum initial duration of fixed term loans made by the Trust is normally ten years.

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
	£	£
7 <u>CREDITORS</u> : Amounts falling due within one year		
Accruals	£ 2,585	£ 2,453
	<u>£ 2,585</u>	<u>£ 2,453</u>

8 TRUSTEES' EXPENSES

No expense payments were made in respect of Trustees for the year.

No payments in respect of remuneration were made to Trustees during the year.

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31 MARCH 2023

9 DONATIONS AND GIFTS

During the year donations and gifts totalling £134,288 (2022 - £128,528) were made to various Christian organisations. Gifts of £1,000 or more were as follows:

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
	£	£
Gartmore House	12,000	-
South Yorkshire Chaplaincy	-	5,000
Starfish Asia Fund	30,000	30,000
Qavah Trust (formerly Tonbridge Youth Trust)	7,000	5,000
Bluejay Trust	5,000	-
Mayenjene Trust	1,800	-
Grace & Light	5,000	5,000
Freedom International	5,000	5,000
This is Growth Ltd (GrowTH)	-	10,000
Arukah Network	10,000	10,000
Kids Club – Kampala	15,000	15,000
Yada Collective	10,000	10,000
Stewardship	<u>33,200</u>	<u>33,200</u>

10 TRANSACTIONS WITH TRUSTEES AND CONNECTED PERSONS

- (i) Donations totalling £7,000 (2022 - £5,000) were made to Qavah Trust (formerly Tonbridge Youth Trust) being a charitable organisation in which N P Thomas and Jenny Thomas are Trustees.
- (ii) A charge of £2,000 (2022 - £2,000) has been raised in respect of the use of office accommodation and facilities by Golden Stable for the year to 31 March 2023. The office accommodation is owned by North Frith Farm, a partnership in which N P Thomas is a partner.

**GOLDEN STABLE**

England & Wales - Charity number 276359

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# Accounts

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GOLDEN STABLE

CHARITY NUMBER: 276359

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

NAME OF THE CHARITY:

Golden Stable

CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER:

No: 276359

PRINCIPAL OFFICE

Hopfield House  
North Frith Farm  
Ashes Lane  
Hadlow  
TONBRIDGE  
Kent  
TN11 9QU

TRUSTEES

The Trustees during the year were:

Nigel Philip Thomas  
Mrs Jennifer Miriam Thomas  
Jonathan George Rosies  
Jessica Thomas  
Jonathan Hedge

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Nigel Philip Thomas combines Trustee with Chief Executive Officer.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

T Lane  
Director in M N Jenks & Co Limited  
72 Commercial Road  
Paddock Wood  
TONBRIDGE  
Kent  
TN12 6DP

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

BANKERS

CAF Bank Limited  
25 Kings Hill Avenue  
WEST MALLING  
Kent  
ME19 4JQ

INVESTMENT MANAGERS

Psigma Investment Management  
126 Jermyn Street  
LONDON  
SW1Y 4UJ

SOLICITORS

Warners  
16 South Park  
SEVENOAKS  
Kent  
TN13 1AN

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### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (CONTINUED)

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

The Trustees submit their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2022, in accordance with current statutory requirements and the Charity's governing document.

#### **Structure, Governance and Management**

The Charitable Trust was constituted by a Trust Deed made on 23 May 1978 and registered with the Charity Commission under number 276359.

When new trustees are to be appointed they must be professionally competent and identify with the Charity's broad purpose as well as the detailed aims of the family trustees.

All decisions are taken by the trustees. There are no other members of staff. Requests for loans or grants are made to individual trustees who discuss the suitability or otherwise with other trustees at their meetings.

The major risk to which the Charity is exposed is defaulting on loans. Wherever possible ample security is taken, covered by appropriate legal documentation before proceeding.

#### **Objectives and Activities**

The prime objectives and activities remain unchanged. The Trust Deed gives preference to such charitable Institutions or such charitable purposes whose objects or work involves; "The furtherance of the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ or the support of those institutions and individuals involved in the promotion of that Gospel".

The Trustees have paid due attention to the requirements of the Charity Commission in respect of the need to make plain the public benefit of the activities of the Trust.

The objectives are pursued in the following ways;

**1 Loans** are made to UK Christian charities to enable them to undertake projects which would not otherwise come to fruition. Currently most loans are repayable within ten years at a modest rate of interest. It has been agreed by the trustees that any future loans will be smaller and of a short term nature so that more time and resources can be focussed on grants.

The only loan outstanding is the support of upgrades to a Christian retreat centre in Scotland.

**2 Grants** are made to Christian work in both the UK and to UK charities who carry out work abroad, including relief of the poor and education and training in skills that will help lift people out of poverty. Broadly speaking the charity aims to avoid supporting large organisations who require substantial grants, instead focussing on smaller projects with less profile that might otherwise struggle to receive support. This is the main activity of the charity and examples include:

#### **Starfish Asia**

Starfish Asia's fundamental ethos is to support education in Pakistan, where currently more than 22 million, or 50%, of children do not attend school. Starfish Asia have supported nearly 9,000 Pakistani children within 50 schools, as well as provided support for a vocational training centre and 7 homes for disabled, blind and orphaned children. Having lived in Pakistan and witnessed first-hand the poverty which derived from flooding, lack of education and discrimination, Founders Mike and Kerstin Wakely, registered Starfish Asia as a UK Charitable Trust in 2003.

The vision of the charity is to create an environment for students to learn and achieve, so that they can take their place as equal citizens in Pakistan's future. The charity focuses on supporting the Christian minority who often experience marginalisation and as a result, poverty, within a largely Islamic community. However, Starfish Asia continually supports children from Muslim and Hindu backgrounds also. Their philosophy is to be mindful that we can't rescue everyone, but that we surely must rescue some, and that together we can make a great difference to many.

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### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (CONTINUED)

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

#### **GrowTH**

GrowTH is a Christian charity that works to support homeless men and women in the London Borough of Tower Hamlets. As well as offering food and friendship to those in need, GrowTH's main projects are the emergency night shelter, which provides immediate accommodation, and the housing project, which helps previously homeless people transition to living independently.

GrowTH provides support in establishing Benefit claims, accessing physical and mental health services, accessing substance misuse support and receiving immigration advice. The charity derives from, and still is, a partnership of churches in and around Tower Hamlets that also provides optional spiritual support to guests. There are services available for those who wish to take part in Bible studies, a simple chat or receive prayer. GrowTH's philosophy is to be a helping hand on what, for many, is a difficult journey. Through stability, community and faith, less people can be off the streets.

#### **Grace and Light**

Grace and Light's primary objective is to support members of the community who may suffer from the HIV and AIDS pandemic in Africa. The charity aims to provide voluntary HIV counselling and testing within local churches whilst working towards achieving publicity, advocacy and education on the topic throughout the continent. Grace and Light was born after founder, Mark Hopkins, grieved over the death of someone close to him from AIDS.

Patience Chule was the wife of a student and had become like a daughter to Mark. At her funeral, Mark preached the gospel and while discussing Patience's experience came his vision for the charity. With the help of 500 churches in Nigeria, Grace and Light has gained over 50,000 members who provide support and work hard to deliver a sense of community and support to those who test positive.

#### **Kids Club Kampala**

Kids Club Kampala's vision is to help vulnerable children and their families in Uganda. The charity aims to tackle issues regarding hunger, violence, unemployment and lack of education. Approximately 5.8 million people are malnourished in Uganda, many families survive on one meal a day. Kids Club Kampala currently feeds 500 children per day, with the intent to continually increase this number. This charity also provides free education classes that run throughout the week and follow the Ugandan curriculum to promote equal opportunities for all who attend. 68% of men have experienced physical violence and 1 in 3 women have been victims of sexual abuse.

Kids Club Kampala attempts to reduce these numbers by providing Safeguarding projects with trained volunteers and councillors who identify at-risk children and provide support programmes. In regards to the high levels of unemployment throughout the country, the charity's skilling projects offer free vocational training and business skills to help parents generate income for their families. Kids Club Kampala's vision is to see children's lives transformed, communities empowered and poverty reduced in Kampala's slums.

#### **Yada Derby**

Yada Collective is a bar that promotes and supports an alcohol-free social environment in the centre of Derby's town centre. Yada offers an inclusive space for those who are sober, cutting down or simply feel like a night off from alcohol. The bar has a selection of 0% beers, wines, ciders, spirits and cocktails which allow those who attend to enjoy a refreshing drink without the hangover in the morning.

They also host events throughout the year such as open mic nights and hope to invite people from all walks of life to enjoy the rustic bar setting, without the pressure to drink alcohol. The main aim of Yada is to normalise sobriety and challenge the idea that alcohol is the only key to a positive night out in mainstream British culture.

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### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (CONTINUED)

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

#### **Arukah Network**

The Arukah Network is a community development concept that is inspired by connecting people. This charity creates a space for critical thinking, amplifying solutions and making local voices heard while offering to fill in gaps of training when invited to do so. The Arukah Network's main objective is to build up the strengths of communities rather than pointing out their weaknesses.

Their aim is to use these strengths to their advantage by making the community voice something which is understood and acted upon by policy makers. So far, the network has helped improve sanitation in Zambia, provided emergency aid to 600 families in hard-to-reach villages and nurtured award-winning leaders, amongst many other achievements. The Arukah Network aim to diminish the stereotype that local people are incapable and instead encourage them to be in control of their circumstances.

#### **World Vision**

World Vision is a charity organisation that operates on a large scale, having assisted nearly 100 countries that have suffered from extreme poverty or are currently in war. World Vision, first and foremost, aims to empower children of all backgrounds in poverty and respond to emergencies with immediate relief and long-term rebuilding. For over 70 years, World Vision has worked with communities, donors, partners and governments to tackle poverty at its roots by helping provide the necessary support.

Inspired by the Christian faith in which the charity was built, World Vision has not only provided food and shelter to children and families in need, but has also helped speak out on child abuse issues like underage marriage, child soldiers and child labour, while helping to influence laws and amplify children's voices. World Vision's primary ethos is to protect the children today, so that we can empower them tomorrow.

**3 Housing** - Occasionally where Christian workers or missionaries are unable to find accommodation within their personal finances near their place of work, the Trust will enter a part equity agreement usually amounting to a small fraction of the whole. Over time these equity shares have become profitable investments.

The Charity does not seek out new clients as they come by word of mouth to the trustees from trusted sources within the Christian community.

No volunteers are used within the Charity.

#### **Investments**

The charity has investments in both property and stocks and shares. The part equity Investments in property have been able to provide Christian workers with the opportunity to purchase property in the South East in order to carry out their Christian ministries. The trustees consider this to be an opportunity to both further the objects of the charity in supporting Christian work whilst at the same time enjoying considerable investment gains when the properties are sold.

The Charities investments in stocks and shares are currently managed by Psigma Investment Management on a medium risk strategy with long term capital growth the main objective for the next few years. There are restrictions on investments in tobacco, arms and other similar companies with ethical investments encouraged.

The charity is aware that grants continue to exceed income and it is envisaged that this will be the case for the foreseeable future. This will mean at some point in the future our investment objective will become one of income rather than long term growth, but for the present we are happy that the portfolio is currently achieving these objectives and is in line with FTSE and other similar benchmarks.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

**Restricted Funds**

The charity has no restricted funds.

**Achievements and performance**

Golden Stable continues to provide financial support to charities and organisations both at home and around the world. It is a privilege to be able to support projects that are having a direct impact on people's lives, whether it's GrowTH working with the homeless in London, education for poor children in Kampala or sharing the gospel on the streets with the young people of Tonbridge.

Looking ahead, the flow of funds from loans, both capital and interest, will start to decline as long term loans are finally repaid. This means that future grants will exceed income and mean the charity will need to start drawing on reserves of stocks and shares over the coming years to meet donations. A level of grant giving has been set which the trustees believe will enable it to continue offering grants well into the future.

The Trustees have complied with their duty in section 4 of the 2006 Charities Act having due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

**Financial**

No fund raising is undertaken, and none is anticipated.

There is a constant flow of funds, both capital and interest, returning to the charity from interest bearing loans and investment in stocks and shares. Currently reserves are high as calls for loans have decreased due to the current financial climate. It is expected that future grants will exceed income from interest on loans which will decrease reserves over the coming years.

The investments of the Charity have been acquired in accordance with the powers available to the Trustees in the Trust Deed and the Stock Exchange investments have been professionally managed by Psigma Investment Management, independent investment managers.

**Plans for Future Periods**

Over the coming years the trust is planning to continue its work along the lines already established, with a greater emphasis on grants. This will be particularly true in the coming year as we assess the impact that Covid-19 has had on the existing projects we support and look to increase our grants to these projects wherever possible.



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N P THOMAS  
TRUSTEE

Date: 21 Jan 2023  
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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

Charity Law requires the Trustees to prepare in respect of each financial year of the Charity a statement of accounts complying with such requirements as to its form and contents as may be prescribed by regulations made by the Secretary of State. In preparing those financial statements the Trustees are required to:

- (a) select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- (b) make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- (c) state whether the policies adopted are in accordance with applicable accounting standards, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- (d) prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. 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.

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO

## THE TRUSTEES OF GOLDEN STABLE

I report on the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2022 set out on pages 9 to 16.

## RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TRUSTEES AND INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 145 of the Charities Act);
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

## BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and the seeking of explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts, and the report is limited to the matters set out in the statement below.

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that, in any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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; or
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102 March 2018, effective 1 January 2019).

I 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.

72 Commercial Road  
Paddock Wood, Tonbridge, Kent

Chartered Accountants

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u> <u>2022</u> £	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u> <u>2021</u> £
<u>Income from:</u>		
Donations and Legacies	-	-
Investment Income (Note 2)	52,599	43,717
Income from Charitable Activities		
Loan Interest	(1,250)	8,750
Rental Income	12,000	12,000
	10,750	20,750
<u>Total Income</u>	63,349	64,467
<u>Expenditure</u>		
Cost of raising funds - Investment Management Fees	26,490	20,275
Charitable Activities:		
Gifts to Christian Organisations	128,528	208,852
Support Costs	2,531	2,510
Other Costs - Investment Property Costs	1,780	2,119
Governance Costs	2,847	2,716
	135,686	216,197
<u>Total Expenditure (Note 3)</u>	162,176	236,472
<u>Net gains (losses) on investments</u>		
Realised Gains/(Losses) on Disposal of Investments	87,457	49,492
Unrealised Gains (Losses) on Investments	153,703	434,299
	241,160	483,791
<u>Net Income (Expenditure)</u>	142,333	311,786
Transfers	-	-
Net Income/(Expenditure) before Other Recognised Gains and Losses	142,333	311,786
Realised Gains on Disposal of Fixed Assets held for Charity's own use	-	-
Unrealised Gains on Revaluation of Fixed Assets held for Charity's own use	41,248	31,888
	41,248	31,888
<u>Net Movement in Funds</u>	183,581	343,674
<u>Fund balances brought forward at 1 April 2021</u>	5,159,369	4,815,695
<u>Balances carried forward at 31 March 2022</u>	£ 5,342,950	£ 5,159,369

The notes set out on pages 11 to 16 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET

31 MARCH 2022

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2022</u> £	<u>2021</u> £
<u>FIXED ASSETS</u>			
Tangible Assets	4	563,749	522,513
Investments	5	4,579,245	4,012,007
		<u>5,142,994</u>	<u>4,534,520</u>
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>			
Debtors (including loans receivable after more than one year of £ (2021 - £ Nil))	6	30,470	31,659
Cash at Bank and In Hand		171,939	595,512
		<u>202,409</u>	<u>627,171</u>
<u>CREDITORS</u> : Amounts falling due within one year	7	(2,453)	(2,322)
<u>NET CURRENT ASSETS</u>		<u>199,956</u>	<u>624,849</u>
<u>NET ASSETS</u>		<u>£ 5,342,950</u>	<u>£ 5,159,369</u>
<u>THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY</u>			
Revaluation Reserve re Tangible Fixed Assets		138,690	97,442
Unrestricted Income Fund		5,204,260	5,061,927
		<u>£ 5,342,950</u>	<u>£ 5,159,369</u>

Approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by:

*Nigel Thomas*

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N P THOMAS  
TRUSTEE

Date: *21 Jan 23*  
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The notes set out on pages 11 to 16 form an integral part of these financial statements.

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies adopted are as follows:

(a) Basis of Accounting

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) – (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

The Charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS102.

(b) Income Recognition

Items of income are recognised and included in the accounts when all of the following criteria are met:

- The charity has entitlement to the funds;
  - any performance conditions attached to the item(s) of income have been met or are fully within the control of the charity;
  - there is sufficient certainty that receipt of the income is considered probable; and
  - the amount can be measured reliably.
- (i) Voluntary income is received by way of donations and is included in full in the Income and Expenditure Account as soon as it is received.
- (ii) Dividend income is recognised on the date of payment.
- (iii) Interest on loans, and deposits, whether they are loans to other charities or deposits with banks, building societies or other deposit holders are recognised on an accruals basis.
- (iv) Tax Recoverable. Tax recoverable is recognised when claimable.
- (v) Gifts in kind are included at market value when received.
- (vi) For legacies, entitlement is taken as the earlier of:
- the date on which the charity is aware that probate has been granted;
  - the estate has been finalised and notification has been made by the executor(s) to the Trust that a distribution will be made; or
  - when a distribution is received from the estate.
- Receipt of a legacy, in whole or in part, is only considered probable when the amount can be measured reliably and the charity has been notified of the executor's intention to make a distribution. Where legacies have been notified to the charity, or the charity is aware of the granting of probate, and the criteria for income recognition have not been met, then the legacy is treated as a contingent asset and disclosed if material.
- (vii) Rental income is recognised on an accrual basis.

(c) Value Added Tax

The Charity is not registered for VAT purposes and all costs are inclusive of VAT.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

31 MARCH 2022

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

(d) Capitalisation and Depreciation of Fixed Assets

Provision is made for depreciation on fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost or valuation of each asset over their expected useful life, as follows:

Fixtures, fittings and equipment - 25% on written down value

All assets costing more than £500 are capitalised.

(e) Resources Expended

Expenditure is included when incurred. The irrecoverable element of VAT is included within the item of expense to which it relates. Support costs are those costs incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the Trust. Governance costs are those incurred in connection with administration of the Trust and compliance with constitutional statutory requirements.

(f) Investment Assets

Investment assets are valued at market value at the balance sheet date.

Fixed asset listed investments are valued at the prices quoted as at close of business at mid-market or last traded price on the relevant stock exchange as obtained from FT Interactive Data. Unit trusts are valued at bid prices, unquoted securities at prices obtained from accredited sources.

Investment assets include other interests in Land and Buildings. These represent loans for the purchase of freehold land and buildings which are secured by a legal charge thereon, in circumstances where the Trust holds an equitable interest in the property. The equitable interest is calculated by reference to the proportion which the Trust's loan bears to the purchase price of the property.

Gains and losses on disposal and revaluation of investments are charged or credited to the Statement of Financial Activities.

(g) Funds Accounting

Funds held by the Charity are either:

- *Unrestricted general funds* - these are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the Council Members.
- *Restricted funds* - these are funds that 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.

(h) Allocation of Costs

Those costs which cannot be allocated directly to a functional classification have been apportioned on a usage basis.

2 INVESTMENT INCOME

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
	£	£
Source of Investment Income:		
Dividends - UK equities and Unit Trusts	19,411	18,956
- Overseas	4,423	3,097
Interest - UK fixed interest securities	14,262	11,156
Interest - Overseas fixed interest securities	13,820	10,476
Interest on cash deposits	32	32
Other UK Investment Income	651	-
	<u>£ 52,599</u>	<u>£ 43,717</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

31 MARCH 2022

<b>3</b>	<b><u>TOTAL EXPENSES</u></b>	<u>2022</u> £	<u>2021</u> £
	These include the following:		
	Independent Examiner's Fees	1,890	1,800
	Depreciation	12	16
		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>

The Charity had no employees during the year (2019 - Nil).

<b>4</b>	<b><u>TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS</u></b>	<u>Total</u> £	<u>Freehold Land and Buildings</u> £	<u>Fixtures, Fittings and Equipment</u> £
	<u>Cost/Valuation:</u>			
	At 1 April 2021	526,208	522,465	3,743
	Additions	-	-	-
	Disposals	-	-	-
	Revaluation	41,248	41,248	-
		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
	<u>At 31 March 2022</u>	<u>567,456</u>	<u>563,713</u>	<u>3,743</u>
	<u>Depreciation:</u>			
	At 1 April 2021	3,695	-	3,695
	Charge for Year	12	-	12
	Disposals	-	-	-
		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
	<u>At 31 March 2022</u>	<u>3,707</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,707</u>
	<u>BOOK VALUE:</u>			
	<u>At 31 March 2022</u>	<u>£ 563,749</u>	<u>£ 563,713</u>	<u>£ 36</u>
	<u>At 31 March 2021</u>	<u>£ 522,513</u>	<u>£ 522,465</u>	<u>£ 48</u>

All fixed assets are used in direct furtherance of the Charity's objects. The historical cost of the freehold land and buildings at 43 Chiltern Way, Tonbridge, was £234,123. The property was purchased in December 2014 and has been professionally revalued in March 2018 by Barnes Kingsnorth, Estate Agents. The property in Salisbury Road, Tonbridge, was purchased at a historical cost of £190,900 in December 2016 and was professionally revalued in May 2017. The Trustees have applied an increase in value of 5% to 43 Chiltern Way and 12.2% to 41 Salisbury Road in the year to 31 March 2022 based upon local house market movements in the year.

		Freehold Land and Buildings	Other Interests In Freehold Land & Buildings	Listed Investments	Cash Deposits
	<u>Total</u> £	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
<b>5</b>	<b><u>FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS</u></b>				
	Market Value 1 April 2021	4,012,007	786,131	1,195,285	1,900,038
	Additions	590,451	-	-	590,451
	Disposals	(264,374)	-	-	(249,638)
	Net Unrealised Investment Gains (Losses)	153,704	99,238	133,018	(78,522)
	Realised Investment Gains (Losses)	87,457	-	-	87,457
		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
	<u>Market Value 31 March 2022</u>	<u>£ 4,579,245</u>	<u>£ 885,369</u>	<u>£ 1,328,303</u>	<u>£ 2,249,756</u>
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5 FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

Agricultural land was re-valued professionally in March 2019 by BTF Partnership LLP, Chartered Surveyors.

The properties at 3 Fairfield Way, 28 Beverley Crescent and 62 Town Acres in Tonbridge held as Other Interest in Freehold Land and Buildings were re-valued in March 2018 by Barnes Kingsnorth, Estate Agents. The property at 29 Roundfield Avenue, Harpenden has been professionally revalued by The Land Office, Estate Agents on 8 May 2018.

The Trustees have applied an increase in value of 12.2% to the properties in West Kent and 7.1% to the Harpenden property based upon local house market movements in the year to 31 March 2022 and an increase of 14% to the Agricultural Land in West Kent based upon Farmland Index movements.

The Trustees consider that the property at Coldharbour Lane which was included in Investment Properties, together with Other Interests in Land and Buildings, are Mixed Motive Investments in that they assist Christian workers or missionaries who are unable to find accommodation within their personal finances near their place of work, but can also provide a suitable rate of return. The total value of these investments included within the portfolio amounts to £2,002,772 (2021 - £1,796,416).

	<u>2022</u> £	<u>2021</u> £
Investments may be further analysed as follows:		
Investment assets in the UK	3,229,006	3,052,701
Investment assets outside the UK	1,350,239	959,306
	<u>£ 4,579,245</u>	<u>£ 4,012,007</u>

Fixed Asset investments include the following holdings which constitute more than 5% of the value of the portfolio.

	<u>Market Value</u> £	<u>% of Value of Portfolio</u> %
<u>Investment Properties</u>		
Hawthorns, Cold Harbour Lane, Tonbridge, Kent	£ 674,469	14.73
<u>Other Interests in Land and Buildings</u>		
28 Beverley Crescent, Tonbridge, Kent	437,268	9.55
62 Town Acres, Tonbridge, Kent	334,410	7.30
3 Fairfield Way, Tonbridge, Kent	287,681	6.28
29 Roundfield Avenue, Harpenden	268,945	5.87
	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
<u>Historical Cost</u>	<u>£ 3,240,712</u>	<u>£ 2,827,170</u>

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31 MARCH 2022

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
	£	£
6 <u>DEBTORS</u>		
Loans Recoverable [Note (i)]	30,000	30,000
Other Debtors	470	1,659
	<u>£ 30,470</u>	<u>£ 31,659</u>
(i) <u>Loans</u>		
Brought forward at 1 April 2021	30,000	200,000
Further advances during the year	-	-
Gift made	-	(70,000)
Repayments during the year	-	(100,000)
	<u>£ 30,000</u>	<u>£ 30,000</u>
<u>Carried forward at 31 March 2022</u>		
	<u>£ 30,000</u>	<u>£ 30,000</u>
Due within one year	-	30,000
Due after more than one year	30,000	-
	<u>£ 30,000</u>	<u>£ 30,000</u>

At 31 March 2022 there was one loan (2021 - 1) different borrowers. The loans related to particular charitable projects and of special needs. The duration, rate of interest and other terms for each loan were negotiated on an individual basis. Original terms are not infrequently renegotiated subsequently. The maximum initial duration of fixed term loans made by the Trust is normally ten years.

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
	£	£
7 <u>CREDITORS</u> : Amounts falling due within one year		
Accruals	£ 2,453	£ 2,322

8 TRUSTEES' EXPENSES

No expense payments were made in respect of Trustees for the year.

No payments in respect of remuneration were made to Trustees during the year.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

31 MARCH 2022

9 DONATIONS AND GIFTS

During the year donations and gifts totalling £128,528 (2021 - £208,852) were made to various Christian organisations. Gifts of £1,000 or more were as follows:

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
	£	£
Gartmore House	-	70,000
South Yorkshire Chaplaincy	5,000	-
Starfish Asia Fund	30,000	30,000
Qavah Trust (formerly Tonbridge Youth Trust)	5,000	9,000
Philip Seabrook	-	5,000
Wendy Hogg	-	1,084
Grace & Light	5,000	5,000
Freedom International	5,000	10,000
This is Growth Ltd (GrowTH)	10,000	10,000
Arukah Network	10,000	13,000
Kids Club – Kampala	15,000	10,000
Yada Collective	10,000	20,000
Stewardship	33,200	12,000
Joshua Network	-	13,000
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>

10 TRANSACTIONS WITH TRUSTEES AND CONNECTED PERSONS

- (i) Donations totalling £5,000 (2021 - £9,000) were made to Qavah Trust (formerly Tonbridge Youth Trust) being a charitable organisation in which N P Thomas and Jenny Thomas are Trustees.
- (ii) A charge of £2,000 (2021 - £2,000) has been raised in respect of the use of office accommodation and facilities by Golden Stable for the year to 31 March 2022. The office accommodation is owned by North Frith Farm, a partnership in which N P Thomas is a partner.

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England & Wales - Charity number 276359

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# Accounts

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GOLDEN STABLE

CHARITY NUMBER: 276359

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

NAME OF THE CHARITY:

Golden Stable

CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER:

No: 276359

PRINCIPAL OFFICE

Hopfield House  
North Frith Farm  
Ashes Lane  
Hadlow  
TONBRIDGE  
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TRUSTEES

The Trustees during the year were:

Nigel Philip Thomas  
Mrs Jennifer Miriam Thomas  
Jonathan George Rosies  
Jessica Thomas  
Jonathan Hedge

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Nigel Philip Thomas combines Trustee with Chief Executive Officer.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

T Lane  
Director in M N Jenks & Co Limited  
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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

BANKERS

CAF Bank Limited  
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INVESTMENT MANAGERS

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SOLICITORS

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### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (CONTINUED)

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

The Trustees submit their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2021, in accordance with current statutory requirements and the Charity's governing document.

#### **Structure, Governance and Management**

The Charitable Trust was constituted by a Trust Deed made on 23 May 1978 and registered with the Charity Commission under number 276359.

When new trustees are to be appointed they must be professionally competent and identify with the Charity's broad purpose as well as the detailed aims of the family trustees.

All decisions are taken by the trustees. There are no other members of staff. Requests for loans or grants are made to individual trustees who discuss the suitability or otherwise with other trustees at their meetings.

The major risk to which the Charity is exposed is defaulting on loans. Wherever possible ample security is taken, covered by appropriate legal documentation before proceeding.

#### **Objectives and Activities**

The prime objectives and activities remain unchanged. The Trust Deed gives preference to such charitable Institutions or such charitable purposes whose objects or work involves; "The furtherance of the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ or the support of those institutions and individuals involved in the promotion of that Gospel".

The Trustees have paid due attention to the requirements of the Charity Commission in respect of the need to make plain the public benefit of the activities of the Trust.

The objectives are pursued in the following ways;

**1 Loans** are made to UK Christian charities to enable them to undertake projects which would not otherwise come to fruition. Currently most loans are repayable within ten years at a modest rate of interest. It has been agreed by the trustees that any future loans will be smaller and of a short term nature so that more time and resources can be focussed on grants.

The only loan outstanding is the support of upgrades to a Christian retreat centre in Scotland.

**2 Grants** are made to Christian work in both the UK and to UK charities who carry out work abroad, including relief of the poor and education and training in skills that will help lift people out of poverty. Broadly speaking the charity aims to avoid supporting large organisations who require substantial grants, instead focussing on smaller projects with less profile that might otherwise struggle to receive support. This is the main activity of the charity and examples include:

#### **Starfish Asia**

Starfish Asia's fundamental ethos is to support education in Pakistan, where currently more than 22 million, or 50%, of children do not attend school. Starfish Asia have supported nearly 9,000 Pakistani children within 50 schools, as well as provided support for a vocational training centre and 7 homes for disabled, blind and orphaned children. Having lived in Pakistan and witnessed first-hand the poverty which derived from flooding, lack of education and discrimination, Founders Mike and Kerstin Wakely, registered Starfish Asia as a UK Charitable Trust in 2003.

The vision of the charity is to create an environment for students to learn and achieve, so that they can take their place as equal citizens in Pakistan's future. The charity focuses on supporting the Christian minority who often experience marginalisation and as a result, poverty, within a largely Islamic community. However, Starfish Asia continually supports children from Muslim and Hindu backgrounds also. Their philosophy is to be mindful that we can't rescue everyone, but that we surely must rescue some, and that together we can make a great difference to many.

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### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (CONTINUED)

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

#### **GrowTH**

GrowTH is a Christian charity that works to support homeless men and women in the London Borough of Tower Hamlets. As well as offering food and friendship to those in need, GrowTH's main projects are the emergency night shelter, which provides immediate accommodation, and the housing project, which helps previously homeless people transition to living independently.

GrowTH provides support in establishing Benefit claims, accessing physical and mental health services, accessing substance misuse support and receiving immigration advice. The charity derives from, and still is, a partnership of churches in and around Tower Hamlets that also provides optional spiritual support to guests. There are services available for those who wish to take part in Bible studies, a simple chat or receive prayer. GrowTH's philosophy is to be a helping hand on what, for many, is a difficult journey. Through stability, community and faith, less people can be off the streets.

#### **Grace and Light**

Grace and Light's primary objective is to support members of the community who may suffer from the HIV and AIDS pandemic in Africa. The charity aims to provide voluntary HIV counselling and testing within local churches whilst working towards achieving publicity, advocacy and education on the topic throughout the continent. Grace and Light was born after founder, Mark Hopkins, grieved over the death of someone close to him from AIDS.

Patience Chule was the wife of a student and had become like a daughter to Mark. At her funeral, Mark preached the gospel and while discussing Patience's experience came his vision for the charity. With the help of 500 churches in Nigeria, Grace and Light has gained over 50,000 members who provide support and work hard to deliver a sense of community and support to those who test positive.

#### **Kids Club Kampala**

Kids Club Kampala's vision is to help vulnerable children and their families in Uganda. The charity aims to tackle issues regarding hunger, violence, unemployment and lack of education. Approximately 5.8 million people are malnourished in Uganda, many families survive on one meal a day. Kids Club Kampala currently feeds 500 children per day, with the intent to continually increase this number. This charity also provides free education classes that run throughout the week and follow the Ugandan curriculum to promote equal opportunities for all who attend. 68% of men have experienced physical violence and 1 in 3 women have been victims of sexual abuse.

Kids Club Kampala attempts to reduce these numbers by providing Safeguarding projects with trained volunteers and councillors who identify at-risk children and provide support programmes. In regards to the high levels of unemployment throughout the country, the charity's skilling projects offer free vocational training and business skills to help parents generate income for their families. Kids Club Kampala's vision is to see children's lives transformed, communities empowered and poverty reduced in Kampala's slums.

#### **Yada Derby**

Yada Collective is a bar that promotes and supports an alcohol-free social environment in the centre of Derby's town centre. Yada offers an inclusive space for those who are sober, cutting down or simply feel like a night off from alcohol. The bar has a selection of 0% beers, wines, ciders, spirits and cocktails which allow those who attend to enjoy a refreshing drink without the hangover in the morning.

They also host events throughout the year such as open mic nights and hope to invite people from all walks of life to enjoy the rustic bar setting, without the pressure to drink alcohol. The main aim of Yada is to normalise sobriety and challenge the idea that alcohol is the only key to a positive night out in mainstream British culture.

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### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (CONTINUED)

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

#### **Arukah Network**

The Arukah Network is a community development concept that is inspired by connecting people. This charity creates a space for critical thinking, amplifying solutions and making local voices heard while offering to fill in gaps of training when invited to do so. The Arukah Network's main objective is to build up the strengths of communities rather than pointing out their weaknesses.

Their aim is to use these strengths to their advantage by making the community voice something which is understood and acted upon by policy makers. So far, the network has helped improve sanitation in Zambia, provided emergency aid to 600 families in hard-to-reach villages and nurtured award-winning leaders, amongst many other achievements. The Arukah Network aim to diminish the stereotype that local people are incapable and instead encourage them to be in control of their circumstances.

#### **World Vision**

World Vision is a charity organisation that operates on a large scale, having assisted nearly 100 countries that have suffered from extreme poverty or are currently in war. World Vision, first and foremost, aims to empower children of all backgrounds in poverty and respond to emergencies with immediate relief and long-term rebuilding. For over 70 years, World Vision has worked with communities, donors, partners and governments to tackle poverty at its roots by helping provide the necessary support.

Inspired by the Christian faith in which the charity was built, World Vision has not only provided food and shelter to children and families in need, but has also helped speak out on child abuse issues like underage marriage, child soldiers and child labour, while helping to influence laws and amplify children's voices. World Vision's primary ethos is to protect the children today, so that we can empower them tomorrow.

**3 Housing** - Occasionally where Christian workers or missionaries are unable to find accommodation within their personal finances near their place of work, the Trust will enter a part equity agreement usually amounting to a small fraction of the whole. Over time these equity shares have become profitable investments.

The Charity does not seek out new clients as they come by word of mouth to the trustees from trusted sources within the Christian community.

No volunteers are used within the Charity.

#### **Investments**

The charity has investments in both property and stocks and shares. The part equity Investments in property have been able to provide Christian workers with the opportunity to purchase property in the South East in order to carry out their Christian ministries. The trustees consider this to be an opportunity to both further the objects of the charity in supporting Christian work whilst at the same time enjoying considerable investment gains when the properties are sold.

The Charities investments in stocks and shares are currently managed by Psigma Investment Management on a medium risk strategy with long term capital growth the main objective for the next few years. There are restrictions on investments in tobacco, arms and other similar companies with ethical investments encouraged.

The charity is aware that grants continue to exceed income and it is envisaged that this will be the case for the foreseeable future. This will mean at some point in the future our investment objective will become one of income rather than long term growth, but for the present we are happy that the portfolio is currently achieving these objectives and is in line with FTSE and other similar benchmarks.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

**Restricted Funds**

The charity has no restricted funds.

**Achievements and performance**

Golden Stable continues to provide financial support to charities and organisations both at home and around the world. It is a privilege to be able to support projects that are having a direct impact on people's lives, whether it's GrowTH working with the homeless in London, education for poor children in Kampala or sharing the gospel on the streets with the young people of Tonbridge.

Looking ahead, the flow of funds from loans, both capital and interest, will start to decline as long term loans are finally repaid. This means that future grants will exceed income and mean the charity will need to start drawing on reserves of stocks and shares over the coming years to meet donations. A level of grant giving has been set which the trustees believe will enable it to continue offering grants well into the future.

The Trustees have complied with their duty in section 4 of the 2006 Charities Act having due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

**Financial**

No fund raising is undertaken, and none is anticipated.

There is a constant flow of funds, both capital and interest, returning to the charity from interest bearing loans and investment in stocks and shares. Currently reserves are high as calls for loans have decreased due to the current financial climate. It is expected that future grants will exceed income from interest on loans which will decrease reserves over the coming years.

The investments of the Charity have been acquired in accordance with the powers available to the Trustees in the Trust Deed and the Stock Exchange investments have been professionally managed by Psigma Investment Management, independent investment managers.

**Plans for Future Periods**

Over the coming years the trust is planning to continue its work along the lines already established, with a greater emphasis on grants. This will be particularly true in the coming year as we assess the impact that Covid-19 has had on the existing projects we support and look to increase our grants to these projects wherever possible.

N P THOMAS  
TRUSTEE

Date: 28 January 2022

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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

Charity Law requires the Trustees to prepare in respect of each financial year of the Charity a statement of accounts complying with such requirements as to its form and contents as may be prescribed by regulations made by the Secretary of State. In preparing those financial statements the Trustees are required to:

- (a) select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- (b) make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- (c) state whether the policies adopted are in accordance with applicable accounting standards, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- (d) prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. 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.

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO

### THE TRUSTEES OF GOLDEN STABLE

I report on the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2021 set out on pages 8 to 15.

### RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TRUSTEES AND INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 145 of the Charities Act);
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and the seeking of explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts, and the report is limited to the matters set out in the statement below.

### INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that, in any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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; or
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102 March 2018, effective 1 January 2019).

I 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.

28 January 2022  
72 Commercial Road  
Paddock Wood, Tonbridge, Kent



T Lane  
Director in M N Jenks & Co Limited  
Chartered Accountants

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

	<u>Unrestricted Funds 2021 £</u>	<u>Unrestricted Funds 2020 £</u>
<u>Income from:</u>		
Donations and Legacies	-	-
Investment Income (Note 2)	43,717	45,008
Income from Charitable Activities		
Loan Interest	8,750	17,900
Rental Income	12,000	13,000
	20,750	30,900
<u>Total Income</u>	64,467	75,908
<u>Expenditure</u>		
Cost of raising funds - Investment Management Fees	20,275	22,253
Charitable Activities:		
Gifts to Christian Organisations	208,852	167,283
Support Costs	2,510	2,504
Other Costs - Investment Property Costs	2,119	7,640
Governance Costs	2,716	2,657
	216,197	180,084
<u>Total Expenditure (Note 3)</u>	236,472	202,337
<u>Net gains (losses) on investments</u>		
Realised Gains/(Losses) on Disposal of Investments	49,492	65,034
Unrealised Gains (Losses) on Investments	434,299	(260,082)
	483,791	(195,048)
<u>Net Income (Expenditure)</u>	311,786	(321,477)
Transfers	-	-
Net Income/(Expenditure) before Other Recognised Gains and Losses	311,786	(321,477)
Realised Gains on Disposal of Fixed Assets held for Charity's own use	-	-
Unrealised Gains on Revaluation of Fixed Assets held for Charity's own use	31,888	4,857
	31,888	4,857
<u>Net Movement in Funds</u>	343,674	(316,620)
<u>Fund balances brought forward at 1 April 2020</u>	4,815,695	5,132,315
<u>Balances carried forward at 31 March 2021</u>	£ 5,159,369	£ 4,815,695

The notes set out on pages 11 to 16 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET

31 MARCH 2021

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2021</u> £	<u>2020</u> £
<u>FIXED ASSETS</u>			
Tangible Assets	4	522,513	490,641
Investments	5	4,012,007	4,015,863
		<u>4,534,520</u>	<u>4,506,504</u>
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>			
Debtors (including loans receivable after more than one year of £Nil (2020 - £30,000))	6	31,659	208,311
Cash at Bank and In Hand		<u>595,512</u>	<u>104,806</u>
		627,171	313,117
<u>CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year</u>	7	<u>(2,322)</u>	<u>(3,926)</u>
<u>NET CURRENT ASSETS</u>		<u>624,849</u>	<u>309,191</u>
<u>NET ASSETS</u>		<u>£ 5,159,369</u>	<u>£ 4,815,695</u>
<u>THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY</u>			
Revaluation Reserve re Tangible Fixed Assets		97,442	65,554
Unrestricted Income Fund		<u>5,061,927</u>	<u>4,750,141</u>
		<u>£ 5,159,369</u>	<u>£ 4,815,695</u>

Approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by:

N P THOMAS  
TRUSTEE

Date: 28 January 2022

The notes set out on pages 11 to 16 form an integral part of these financial statements.

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies adopted are as follows:

(a) Basis of Accounting

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) – (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

The Charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS102.

(b) Income Recognition

Items of income are recognised and included in the accounts when all of the following criteria are met:

- The charity has entitlement to the funds;
  - any performance conditions attached to the item(s) of income have been met or are fully within the control of the charity;
  - there is sufficient certainty that receipt of the income is considered probable; and
  - the amount can be measured reliably.
- (i) Voluntary income is received by way of donations and is included in full in the Income and Expenditure Account as soon as it is received.
- (ii) Dividend income is recognised on the date of payment.
- (iii) Interest on loans, and deposits, whether they are loans to other charities or deposits with banks, building societies or other deposit holders are recognised on an accruals basis.
- (iv) Tax Recoverable. Tax recoverable is recognised when claimable.
- (v) Gifts in kind are included at market value when received.
- (vi) For legacies, entitlement is taken as the earlier of:
- the date on which the charity is aware that probate has been granted;
  - the estate has been finalised and notification has been made by the executor(s) to the Trust that a distribution will be made; or
  - when a distribution is received from the estate.

Receipt of a legacy, in whole or in part, is only considered probable when the amount can be measured reliably and the charity has been notified of the executor's intention to make a distribution. Where legacies have been notified to the charity, or the charity is aware of the granting of probate, and the criteria for income recognition have not been met, then the legacy is treated as a contingent asset and disclosed if material.

- (vii) Rental income is recognised on an accrual basis.

(c) Value Added Tax

The Charity is not registered for VAT purposes and all costs are inclusive of VAT.

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1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

(d) Capitalisation and Depreciation of Fixed Assets

Provision is made for depreciation on fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost or valuation of each asset over their expected useful life, as follows:

Fixtures, fittings and equipment - 25% on written down value

All assets costing more than £500 are capitalised.

(e) Resources Expended

Expenditure is included when incurred. The irrecoverable element of VAT is included within the item of expense to which it relates. Support costs are those costs incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the Trust. Governance costs are those incurred in connection with administration of the Trust and compliance with constitutional statutory requirements.

(f) Investment Assets

Investment assets are valued at market value at the balance sheet date.

Fixed asset listed investments are valued at the prices quoted as at close of business at mid-market or last traded price on the relevant stock exchange as obtained from FT Interactive Data. Unit trusts are valued at bid prices, unquoted securities at prices obtained from accredited sources.

Investment assets include other interests in Land and Buildings. These represent loans for the purchase of freehold land and buildings which are secured by a legal charge thereon, in circumstances where the Trust holds an equitable interest in the property. The equitable interest is calculated by reference to the proportion which the Trust's loan bears to the purchase price of the property.

Gains and losses on disposal and revaluation of investments are charged or credited to the Statement of Financial Activities.

(g) Funds Accounting

Funds held by the Charity are either:

- *Unrestricted general funds* - these are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the Council Members.
- *Restricted funds* - these are funds that 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.

(h) Allocation of Costs

Those costs which cannot be allocated directly to a functional classification have been apportioned on a usage basis.

2 INVESTMENT INCOME

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
	£	£
Source of Investment Income:		
Dividends - UK equities and Unit Trusts	18,956	20,978
- Overseas	3,097	2,873
Interest - UK fixed interest securities	11,156	11,859
Interest - Overseas fixed interest securities	10,476	9,000
Interest on cash deposits	32	153
Other UK Investment Income	-	145
	<u>£ 43,717</u>	<u>£ 45,008</u>

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<b>3</b>	<b><u>TOTAL EXPENSES</u></b>	<u>2021</u> £	<u>2020</u> £
	These include the following:		
	Independent Examiner's Fees	1,800	1,800
	Depreciation	16	22

The Charity had no employees during the year (2019 - Nil).

<b>4</b>	<b><u>TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS</u></b>	<u>Total</u> £	<u>Freehold Land and Buildings</u> £	<u>Fixtures, Fittings and Equipment</u> £
	<u>Cost/Valuation:</u>			
	At 1 April 2020	494,320	490,577	3,743
	Additions	-	-	-
	Disposals	-	-	-
	Revaluation	31,888	31,888	-
	<u>At 31 March 2021</u>	<u>526,208</u>	<u>522,465</u>	<u>3,743</u>
	<u>Depreciation:</u>			
	At 1 April 2020	3,679	-	3,679
	Charge for Year	16	-	16
	Disposals	-	-	-
	<u>At 31 March 2021</u>	<u>3,695</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,695</u>
	<u>BOOK VALUE:</u>			
	<u>At 31 March 2021</u>	<u>£ 522,513</u>	<u>£ 522,465</u>	<u>£ 48</u>
	<u>At 31 March 2020</u>	<u>£ 490,641</u>	<u>£ 490,577</u>	<u>£ 64</u>

All fixed assets are used in direct furtherance of the Charity's objects. The historical cost of the freehold land and buildings at 43 Chiltern Way, Tonbridge, was £234,123. The property was purchased in December 2014 and has been professionally revalued in March 2018 by Barnes Kingsnorth, Estate Agents. The property in Salisbury Road, Tonbridge, in December 2016 was purchased at a historical cost of £190,900. The Trustees have applied an increase in value of 6.5% to both properties in the year to 31 March 2021 based upon local house market movements in the year.

<b>5</b>	<b><u>FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS</u></b>	<u>Total</u> £	<u>Freehold Land and Buildings</u> £	<u>Other Interests In Freehold Land &amp; Buildings</u> £	<u>Listed Investments</u> £	<u>Cash Deposits</u> £
	Market Value 1 April 2020	4,015,863	1,266,057	1,122,555	1,516,087	111,164
	Additions	386,449	-	-	367,060	19,389
	Disposals	(874,096)	(509,515)	-	(364,581)	-
	Net Unrealised Investment Gains (Losses)	434,299	36,689	72,730	324,880	-
	Realised Investment Gains (Losses)	49,492	(7,100)	-	56,592	-
	<u>Market Value 31 March 2021</u>	<u>£ 4,012,007</u>	<u>£ 786,131</u>	<u>£ 1,195,285</u>	<u>£ 1,900,038</u>	<u>£ 130,553</u>

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5 FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

The Investment Property at Tonbridge Road, Tonbridge was professionally re-valued in March 2018 by Barnes Kingsnorth, Estate Agents. Agricultural land was re-valued professionally in March 2019 by BTF Partnership LLP, Chartered Surveyors.

The properties at 3 Fairfield Way, 28 Beverley Crescent and 62 Town Acres in Tonbridge held as Other Interest in Freehold Land and Buildings were re-valued in March 2018 by Barnes Kingsnorth, Estate Agents. The property at 29 Roundfield Avenue, Harpenden has been professionally revalued by The Land Office, Estate Agents on 8 May 2018.

The Trustees have applied an increase in value of 6.5% to the properties in West Kent and 6.4% to the Harpenden property based upon local house market movements in the year to 31 March 2021.

The Trustees consider that the property at Tonbridge Road which was included in Investment Properties, together with Other Interests in Land and Buildings, are Mixed Motive Investments in that they assist Christian workers or missionaries who are unable to find accommodation within their personal finances near their place of work, but can also provide a suitable rate of return. The total value of these investments included within the portfolio amounts to £1,723,686 (2020 - £2,203,612).

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
	£	£
Investments may be further analysed as follows:		
Investment assets in the UK	3,052,701	3,155,373
Investment assets outside the UK	959,306	860,490
	<u>£ 4,012,007</u>	<u>£ 4,015,863</u>

Fixed Asset investments include the following holdings which constitute more than 5% of the value of the portfolio.

	<u>Market Value</u>	<u>% of Value of Portfolio</u>
	£	%
<u>Investment Properties</u>		
Hawthorns, Cold Harbour Lane, Tonbridge, Kent	601,131	14.98
<u>Other Interests in Land and Buildings</u>		
28 Beverley Crescent, Tonbridge, Kent	389,722	9.71
62 Town Acres, Tonbridge, Kent	298,048	7.43
3 Fairfield Way, Tonbridge, Kent	256,400	6.39
29 Roundfield Avenue, Harpenden	251,116	6.26
	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
<u>Historical Cost</u>	<u>£ 2,827,170</u>	<u>£ 2,906,672</u>

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	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
	£	£
6 <u>DEBTORS</u>		
Loans Recoverable [Note (i)]	30,000	200,000
Other Debtors	1,659	8,311
	<u>£ 31,659</u>	<u>£ 208,311</u>
(i) <u>Loans</u>		
Brought forward at 1 April 2020	200,000	422,010
Further advances during the year	-	-
Gift made	(70,000)	(50,000)
Repayments during the year	(100,000)	(172,010)
<u>Carried forward at 31 March 2021</u>	<u>£ 30,000</u>	<u>£ 200,000</u>
Due within one year	30,000	170,000
Due after more than one year	-	30,000
	<u>£ 30,000</u>	<u>£ 200,000</u>

At 31 March 2021 there was one loan (2020 - 1) different borrowers. The loans related to particular charitable projects and of special needs. The duration, rate of interest and other terms for each loan were negotiated on an individual basis. Original terms are not infrequently renegotiated subsequently. The maximum initial duration of fixed term loans made by the Trust is normally ten years.

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
	£	£
7 <u>CREDITORS</u> : Amounts falling due within one year		
Accruals	<u>£ 2,322</u>	<u>£ 3,926</u>

8 TRUSTEES' EXPENSES

No expense payments were made in respect of Trustees for the year.

No payments in respect of remuneration were made to Trustees during the year.

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9 DONATIONS AND GIFTS

During the year donations and gifts totalling £208,852 (2020 - £167,283) were made to various Christian organisations. Gifts of £1,000 or more were as follows:

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
	£	£
Gartmore House	70,000	50,000
Mayenjare Trust	-	2,000
Starfish Asia Fund	30,000	30,000
Tonbridge Youth Trust	9,000	9,000
Philip Seabrook	5,000	-
Wendy Hogg	1,084	3,015
Grace & Light	5,000	5,000
Freedom International	10,000	2,500
This is Growth Ltd (GrowTH)	10,000	11,000
Arukah Network	13,000	14,000
Kids Club – Kampala	10,000	5,000
Yada Collective	20,000	-
Derby City Mission	-	10,000
Stewardship	12,000	12,000
Joshua Network	13,000	12,000
J A R	-	1,000

10 TRANSACTIONS WITH TRUSTEES AND CONNECTED PERSONS

- (i) Donations totalling £9,000 (2020 - £9,000) were made to Tonbridge Youth Trust being a charitable organisation in which N P Thomas and Jenny Thomas are Trustees.
- (ii) A charge of £2,000 (2020 - £2,000) has been raised in respect of the use of office accommodation and facilities by Golden Stable for the year to 31 March 2021. The office accommodation is owned by North Frith Farm, a partnership in which N P Thomas is a partner.