

THE SEARLE CHARITABLE TRUST

REPORT AND STATUTORY ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2021

**Registered Charity
Number 288541**

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

Year ended 5 April 2021

The Trustees present their annual report and accounts of the Charity for the year ended 5 April 2021. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 of the financial statements. The statements comply with the Charity's Trust Deed, the Charities Act 2011 and the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (SORP FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

Structure, governance and management

The Trust was constituted on 14 January 1982, and is governed by the Trust Deed. The Trustees who served during the year are shown in the 'Reference and administrative details' section below. New Trustees may be appointed by the existing Trustees by virtue of a power contained within the Trust Deed. All Trustees give of their time freely and no Trustee remuneration was paid in the year.

The Trustees consider that the principal risk facing the Trust continues to be the variability of investment returns from the Trust's investments. The Covid-19 outbreak and its wider economic effect poses a significant risk to all global investment markets. The Trustees have examined the major strategic, business and operational risks which the Trust faces and confirm that appropriate measures have been taken to protect it from them as far as possible.

Objectives and activities for the public benefit

The object of the Charity, under the terms of the Trust Deed, is to make donations to any charitable body, association or organisation at the discretion of the Trustees.

The Trust Deed provides that the income and (at the Trustees' discretion) the whole or part of the Trust fund be applied for charitable purposes.

The Trustees having regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission in accordance with section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 consider that the purpose and activities of the Charity satisfy the requirements of the public benefit test set out in section 4 of the same act.

Organisation

The Charity is governed by its Trustees who may exercise all the powers contained within the Trust Deed.

In accordance with the Trust Deed, the Trustees have power to invest in such stocks, shares, investments and property in any part of the world as they see fit. The Trustees appointed Aberdeen Standard Capital as investment managers on a discretionary basis to invest for a balanced return of income and capital growth in the long term.

Financial review

In total, funds increased by £1,851,308 in the year to £7,707,847 (2020 - decreased by £641,439 to £5,856,539). This was largely due to market recovery following the Covid-19 pandemic.

The Trustees make donations and grants on a discretionary basis. The Trustees have continued with their policy of supporting the Rona Trust. During the year the Trustees made grants of £52,200 to the Rona Trust (2020 - £140,500) and £nil to Sunshine Charity (2020 - £2,000) and £nil to ASTO (2020 - £2,000).

Reserves policy

At 5 April 2021 there was £807,918 of undistributed income (2020 - £745,697). The Trustees consider the aggregate level of capital and undistributed income sufficient to meet their objectives, which include a proposed significant donation to the Rona Trust to enable them to purchase a new sail training boat. The Trustees have the power to invest as they think fit any funds not immediately required.

Investment policy

The Trustees' principal resources arise from investment income. In this regard the Trustees have noted the statutory duty of care required by the Trustee Act 2000 in relation to their holding suitable investments and the need for diversification of investments so far as is appropriate to the circumstances of the Trust. Given the Trustees' distribution policy their view is that the retention of the excess assets of the Trust in cash pending their distribution reflects suitable investment of the Charity's funds.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

Year ended 5 April 2021

Reference and administrative details

Settlor	Andrew Donald Searle
Date of settlement	14 January 1982
Charity registration number	288541
Trustees	Andrew Donald Searle Victoria Caroline Searle
Registered address	c/o Dixon Wilson 22 Chancery Lane London WC2A 1LS
Independent Examiner	S M Rose ACA CTA Dixon Wilson 22 Chancery Lane London WC2A 1LS
Investment Advisors	Aberdeen Standard Capital Limited 1 George Street Edinburgh EH2 2LL
Banker	Coutts & Co Campbell's Office 440 Strand London WC2R 0QS

Approved by the Trustees on 23 March 2023 and signed on their behalf by:

A D SEARLE
Chairman

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I N D E P E N D E N T E X A M I N E R ' S R E P O R T

Year ended 5 April 2021

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE SEARLE CHARITABLE TRUST

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 5 April 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity Trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act'). You are satisfied that an audit is not required for this year under charity law and that an independent examination is needed.

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

An independent examination does not involve gathering all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently does not cover all the matters than an auditor considers in giving their opinion on the accounts. The planning and conduct of an audit goes beyond the limited assurance that an independent examination can provide. Consequently, I express no opinion as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and my report is limited to those specific matters set out in the Independent Examiner's statement.

Independent Examiner's statement

I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

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

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. The accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. The accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.
4. 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 (SORP FRS 102).

I have no concerns and have come across no 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.

SUZANNE ROSE ACA CTA
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30 March 2023

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

Year ended 5 April 2021

	Note	Unrestricted Income Fund £	Expendable Endowment Fund £	2021 £	2020 £
Income and endowments from:					
<i>Investments:</i>					
Investment income	2	118,426	-	118,426	145,980
Total income and endowments		<u>118,426</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>118,426</u>	<u>145,980</u>
Expenditure on:					
<i>Raising funds:</i>	3				
Investment management fees		-	37,951	37,951	34,405
<i>Charitable activities:</i>	4				
Grants made		52,200	-	52,500	144,500
Governance costs		4,005	-	4,005	4,091
Total expenditure		<u>56,205</u>	<u>37,951</u>	<u>94,156</u>	<u>182,996</u>
Net gain/(loss) on investments	5	-	1,827,038	1,827,038	(604,377)
Net income/(loss)		<u>62,221</u>	<u>1,789,087</u>	<u>1,851,308</u>	<u>(641,439)</u>
Net movement in funds		<u>62,221</u>	<u>1,789,087</u>	<u>1,851,308</u>	<u>(641,439)</u>
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		745,697	5,110,842	5,856,539	6,497,978
Total funds carried forward (page 6)		<u>807,918</u>	<u>6,899,929</u>	<u>7,707,847</u>	<u>5,856,539</u>

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form part of these financial statements.

All amounts relate to continuing operations.

The charity has no recognised gains and losses other than as stated above.

THE SEARLE CHARITABLE TRUST**B A L A N C E S H E E T****At 5 April 2021**

	Note	2021 £	2020 £
Fixed assets			
Investments at market value	5	<u>6,805,707</u>	<u>5,017,006</u>
Current assets			
Cash at bank	6	<u>917,559</u>	<u>852,612</u>
Current liabilities			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	7	<u>(15,419)</u>	<u>(13,079)</u>
Net current assets		<u>902,140</u>	<u>839,533</u>
Total net assets		<u>7,707,847</u>	<u>5,856,539</u>
 The funds of the charity			
Unrestricted Income Fund (page 5)		807,918	745,697
Expendable Endowment Fund (page 5)		<u>6,899,929</u>	<u>5,110,842</u>
Total charity funds		<u>7,707,847</u>	<u>5,856,539</u>

The financial statements on pages 5 to 11 were approved by the Trustees on 23 March 2023.

A D SEARLE
Trustee

V C SEARLE
Trustee

THE SEARLE CHARITABLE TRUST

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year ended 5 April 2021

I. Accounting Policies

(a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The Trust constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention modified to include the revaluation of investments. The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the financial currency of the Trust and rounded to the nearest £.

The Trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the Trust's ability to continue as a going concern.

(b) Fund accounting policy

The Charity comprises an Unrestricted Income Fund and an Expendable Endowment Fund. Unrestricted funds are general funds that are available for use at the Trustees' discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the Charity. Expendable Endowment Funds are capital funds that may be freely converted into spendable income as the Trustees see fit.

(c) Income

Investment gains and losses includes any realised or unrealised gains or losses on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.

Dividends and similar income are recognised on the date the Trust becomes entitled to the income. Interest is recognised on an accruals basis.

(d) Expenditure and liabilities

Donations are recognised when the Charity is committed to making the donations. All other expenditure is based on an accruals basis. The Charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts.

(e) Assets

Fixed asset investments in quoted shares, traded bond and similar investments are initially recognised at transaction price and subsequently measured at fair value. All realised and unrealised gains are taken to the statement of financial activities.

(f) Taxation

The Charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its Charitable Objectives.

(g) Trustees' remuneration and expenses

The Trustees all give freely their time and expertise without any form of remuneration or other benefit in cash or kind.

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Year ended 5 April 2021

2. Investment income

	Unrestricted Income Fund £	Expendable Endowment Fund £	Total 2021 £	Unrestricted Income Fund £	Expendable Endowment Fund £	Total 2020 £
UK equities	73,571	-	73,571	96,530	-	96,530
Overseas	44,422	-	44,422	49,180	-	49,180
Deposit interest	-	-	-	224	-	224
Fixed interest	433	-	433	46	-	46
	<u>118,426</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>118,426</u>	<u>145,980</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>145,980</u>

3. Raising funds

	Unrestricted Income Fund £	Expendable Endowment Fund £	Total 2021 £	Unrestricted Income Fund £	Expendable Endowment Fund £	Total 2020 £
Investment management fees	-	37,951	37,951	-	34,405	34,405

4. Charitable activities

The Charity undertakes its charitable activities through grant making and awards grants to institutions in furtherance of its charitable objectives. Charitable activities relate to the Unrestricted Income Fund only.

	Grant-funded activity £	Governance costs £	Total 2021 £
Funded from Unrestricted Income Fund:			
Grant making	52,200	4,005	56,205
Total	<u>52,200</u>	<u>4,005</u>	<u>56,205</u>

Governance costs

	2021 £	2020 £
Bank charges	445	526
Accountancy fees	2,760	2,765
Book-keeping fees	800	800
	<u>4,005</u>	<u>4,091</u>

Accountancy fees payable to the Independent Examiner's firm as follows:

	2021 £	2020 £
- Examination	1,000	1,000
- Accountancy	1,760	1,765
	<u>2,760</u>	<u>2,765</u>

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4. Charitable activities (continued)	2021 £	2020 £
Recipients of institutional grants:		
Rona Trust – London Sailing Project	52,200	140,500
Sunshine Charity	-	2,000
ASTO	-	2,000
	<u>52,200</u>	<u>144,500</u>

The Trustees did not receive remuneration or reimbursed expenses in the year (2020 - £nil).

5. Fixed asset investments

	Unrestricted Income Fund £	Expendable Endowment Fund £	Total 2021 £	Unrestricted Income Fund £	Expendable Endowment Fund £	Total 2020 £
Market value						
At 6 April 2020	-	5,017,005	5,017,005	-	5,659,290	5,659,290
Additions at cost	-	141,161	141,161	-	307,176	307,176
Disposals at carrying value	-	(125,019)	(125,019)	-	(324,956)	(324,956)
Unrealised gains/(losses) on investments	-	1,680,342	1,680,342	-	(683,459)	(683,459)
Movement in cash balance	-	92,218	92,218	-	58,955	58,955
At 5 April 2021	<u>-</u>	<u>6,805,707</u>	<u>6,805,707</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,017,006</u>	<u>5,017,006</u>
Historical cost	<u>-</u>	<u>2,543,531</u>	<u>2,543,531</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,527,389</u>	<u>2,527,389</u>

	2021 £	2020 £
Investments at market value consists of		
UK listed investments	6,462,577	4,766,094
Cash held for investment	343,130	250,912
	<u>6,805,707</u>	<u>5,017,006</u>
Reconciliation of realised and unrealised gains/(losses) on investments		
Unrealised gains/(losses)	1,680,342	(683,459)
Realised gains	146,696	79,082
	<u>1,827,038</u>	<u>(604,377)</u>

The following investment holding is in the opinion of the Trustees material:

	Market value £	Portfolio %
Findlay Park Funds PLC	326,029	5.05

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6. Cash at bank	2021 £	2020 £
Coutts & Co current account	915,819	851,179
Aberdeen Standard income account	1,740	1,433
	<u>917,559</u>	<u>852,612</u>

7. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2021 £	2020 £
Investment manager's fees	10,059	7,674
Accountancy and independent examination fees	4,560	4,565
Book-keeping and secretarial fees	800	800
Bank charges	-	40
	<u>15,419</u>	<u>13,079</u>

8. Related party disclosures

A D Searle is also a Trustee of the Rona Trust – London Sailing Project. Unconditional grants totalling £52,500 (2020 - £140,500) were made to the Rona Trust – London Sailing Project during the year.

9. Unrestricted Funds	Funds brought forward £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	Gains £	Net funds carried forward £
Unrestricted Income Fund	745,697	118,426	(56,205)	-	807,918
Expendable Endowment Fund	5,110,842	-	(37,951)	1,827,038	6,899,929
	<u>5,856,539</u>	<u>118,426</u>	<u>(94,156)</u>	<u>1,827,038</u>	<u>7,707,847</u>

10. Analysis of total net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Income Fund £	Expendable Endowment Fund £	Total 2021 £	Unrestricted Income Fund £	Expendable Endowment Fund £	Total 2020 £
Investments	-	6,805,707	6,805,707	-	5,017,006	5,017,006
Current assets	813,278	104,281	917,559	751,102	101,510	852,612
Current liabilities	(5,360)	(10,059)	(15,419)	(5,405)	(7,674)	(13,079)
	<u>807,918</u>	<u>6,899,929</u>	<u>7,707,847</u>	<u>745,697</u>	<u>5,110,842</u>	<u>5,856,539</u>

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11. Financial instruments	2021 £	2020 £
Financial assets measured at fair value through income and expenditure	<u>6,805,707</u>	<u>5,017,006</u>

Financial assets measured at fair value through income and expenditure comprise fixed asset investments.
