

**The Bothwell Charitable Trust**  
**Financial Statements**  
**Year Ended 5<sup>th</sup> April 2025**

Charity registration number: 299056

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## **Charity Reference and Administrative Details**

**Year Ended 5<sup>th</sup> April 2025**

**Charity registration number**

299056

**Trustees**

Mr Crispian M P Howard  
Mrs Caroline S Howard  
Mrs Theresa J McGregor  
Mr Andrew McGregor

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## **The Bothwell Charitable Trust**

### **Trustees' Annual Report**

#### **Year Ended 5<sup>th</sup> April 2025**

The Trustees present their report and the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 5<sup>th</sup> April 2025. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (FRS 102) in preparing the annual report and financial statements of the charity.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in notes to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland published in October 2019.

#### **Trustees of the charity**

The trustees who have served during the year and since the year end were as follows:

Mr Crispian M P Howard  
Mrs Caroline S Howard  
Mrs Theresa J McGregor  
Mr Andrew McGregor

#### **Objectives and activities**

The Charity's objectives are to benefit or further such charitable purposes, charitable institutions or charitable foundations in the United Kingdom or elsewhere in such manner and in such proportions as the Trustees may from time to time in their absolute discretion determine.

#### **Fund-raising Standards Information and Public benefit statement**

The charity does not fundraise.

#### **Strategic Report**

##### **Financial review (including reserves policy)**

The Charity again this year donated more funds than were actually received in its investments. However, due to the gains on the disposal of the investments and the revaluation of its investments to market value the actual net movements in funds were a deficit of £126,788 (2024 –surplus £45,512). The Investments are still in a strong position with a market value of £2,791,523 (2024 - £2,939,109).

#### **Plans for future periods**

The major key objective for the coming year will be to continue our position in the community and provide charitable donations to those charities selected by the trustees.

#### **Trustees' responsibilities**

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

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales/Northern Ireland requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP 2015 (FRS 102);
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

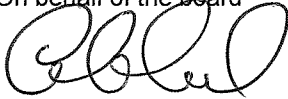
# **The Bothwell Charitable Trust**

## **Trustees' Annual Report**

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The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

On behalf of the board



C M P Howard - Trustee

Date : 12/7/25

## The Bothwell Charitable Trust

### Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees of The Bothwell Charitable Trust

Year Ended 5<sup>th</sup> April 2025

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 5<sup>th</sup> April 2025 which are set out on pages 5 to 12.

#### Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 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.

#### Independent examiner's statement

Your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am member of Association of Chartered Certified Accountants which is one of the listed bodies.

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 charity 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]<sup>1</sup>.

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

Signed : 

Stephen J Hole

ACCA

Suite 70 Capital Business Centre, Carlton Road, Croydon CR2 0BS

Date 12/08/2025

# The Bothwell Charitable Trust

## Summary Income and Expenditure Account<sup>#</sup>

Year Ended 5<sup>th</sup> April 2025

		2025			2024
	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total £
<b>Income and endowments from:</b>					
Donations and legacies		-	-	-	-
Charitable activities		-	-	-	-
Other trading activities		-	-	-	-
Investments	2	144,920	-	-	144,920
<b>Total income and endowments</b>		144,920			144,920
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Raising funds		-	-	-	-
Charitable activities	3	(275,000)	-	-	(275,000)
Other	4	(13,712)	-	-	(13,712)
<b>Total expenditure</b>		(288,712)	-	-	(288,712)
Net gains / (losses) on investments	7	(22,228)	-	-	(22,228)
<b>Net income / (expenditure)</b>		(166,020)	-	-	(166,020)
<b>Other recognised gains / (losses):</b>					
Gains / (losses) on revaluation of fixed assets	7	39,232	-	-	39,232
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	10	(126,788)	-	-	(126,788)
<b>Reconciliation of funds:</b>					
Total funds brought forward	10	3,071,637	-	-	3,071,637
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	10	2,944,849	-	-	2,944,849

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised during the year.

# The Bothwell Charitable Trust

## Balance Sheet

As At 5<sup>th</sup> April 2025

		2025	2024
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Investments	7	2,791,523	2,939,109
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors		-	-
Investments	8	157,420	137,379
Cash at bank and in hand		534	401
		157,954	137,780
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	9	(4,628)	(5,252)
<b>Net current assets / (liabilities)</b>		153,326	132,528
<b>Net assets / (liabilities)</b>		2,944,849	3,071,637
<b>Charity Funds</b>			
Restricted funds		-	-
Unrestricted funds	11	2,944,849	3,071,637
<b>Total charity funds</b>	11	2,944,849	3,071,637

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board on 12/7/2025.

Signed on behalf of the board of trustees.

  
C M P Howard, Trustee

  
C S Howard, Trustee

T McGregor, Trustee

A McGregor, Trustee

  
Theresa McGregor  
  
Aine McGregor

The notes form part of these financial statements.



# **The Bothwell Charitable Trust**

## **Notes to the Financial Statements**

**Year Ended 5<sup>th</sup> April 2025**

### **1 Summary of significant accounting policies**

#### **(a) General information and basis of preparation**

Bothwell Charitable Trust is a registered charity in England. The address of the registered office is given in the charity information page of these financial statements. The nature of the charity's operations and principal activities are to provide donations to other charities.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 (as updated through Update Bulletin 1 published on 2 February 2016), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The charity has applied Update Bulletin 1 as published on 2 February 2016 and does not include a cash flow statement on the grounds that it is applying FRS 102 Section 1A.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value. The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity.

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

The charity adopted SORP (FRS 102) in the current year and an explanation of how transition to SORP (FRS 102) has affected the reported financial position and performance is given in note 42.

#### **(b) Funds**

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The cost of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

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### **Year Ended 5<sup>th</sup> April 2025**

#### **(c) Income recognition**

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the charity is legally entitled to the income after any performance conditions have been met, the amount can be measured reliably and it is probable that the income will be received.

For donations to be recognised the charity will have been notified of the amounts and the settlement date in writing. If there are conditions attached to the donation and this requires a level of performance before entitlement can be obtained then income is deferred until those conditions are fully met or the fulfilment of those conditions is within the control of the charity and it is probable that they will be fulfilled.

Donated facilities and donated professional services are recognised in income at their fair value when their economic benefit is probable, it can be measured reliably and the charity has control over the item. Fair value is determined on the basis of the value of the gift to the charity. For example, the amount the charity would be willing to pay in the open market for such facilities and services. A corresponding amount is recognised in expenditure.

No amount is included in the financial statements for volunteer time in line with the SORP (FRS 102). Further detail is given in the Trustees' Annual Report.

For legacies, entitlement is the earlier of the charity being notified of an impending distribution or the legacy being received. At this point income is recognised. On occasion legacies will be notified to the charity however it is not possible to measure the amount expected to be distributed. On these occasions, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset and disclosed.

Investment income is earned through holding assets for investment purposes such as shares and property. It includes dividends, interest and rent. Where it is not practicable to identify investment management costs incurred within a scheme with reasonable accuracy the investment income is reported net of these costs. It is included when the amount can be measured reliably. Interest income is recognised using the effective interest method and dividend and rent income is recognised as the charity's right to receive payment is established.

#### **(d) Expenditure recognition**

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as an expense against the activity for which expenditure arose.

#### **(e) Investments**

Investments are recognised initially at fair value which is normally the transaction price excluding transaction costs. Subsequently, they are measured at fair value with changes recognised in 'net gains / (losses) on investments' in the SoFA if the shares are publicly traded or their fair value can otherwise be measured reliably. Other investments are measured at cost less impairment.

Current asset investments are short term highly liquid investments and are held at fair value. These include cash on deposit and cash equivalents with a maturity of less than one year.

#### **(f) Debtors and creditors receivable / payable within one year**

Debtors and creditors with no stated interest rate and receivable or payable within one year are recorded at transaction price. Any losses arising from impairment are recognised in expenditure.

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##### (g) Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the charity has an obligation at the balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount can be reliably estimated.

##### (h) Tax

The charity is an exempt charity within the meaning of schedule 3 of the Charities Act 2011 and is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes.

##### (i) Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as the trustees believe that no material uncertainties exist. The trustees have considered the level of funds held and the expected level of income and expenditure for 12 months from authorising these financial statements. The budgeted income and expenditure is sufficient with the level of reserves for the charity to be able to continue as a going concern.

## 2 Income from investments

	2025	2024
Dividends - equities	86,162	68,118
Interest - interest bearing securities	25,770	26,830
Overseas Dividends and Interest	32,965	36,867
Bank Interest	23	12
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**Year Ended 5<sup>th</sup> April 2025**

**3 Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities**

	2025	2024
<u>Charitable Donations</u>		
Children's causes	17,000	4,000
Hospices	59,000	2,000
Other Causes	20,000	0
Medical Research	75,500	20,000
Disability / Social Work	103,500	14,000
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	275,000	40,000
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**4 Governance costs**

	2025	2024
Trustee Expenses	6 330	66
Independent Examiner Fee	1,500	1,500
Investment manager fees	11,822	14,966
Bank Charges	60	60
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	13,712	16,592
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**5 Independent Examiner**

The Independent Examiner fee amounts to £1,500 (2024 - £1,500).