

**Charity Number: 327784**

**THE PREVO TRUST**

**STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS**

**YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2024**

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### TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT YEAR ENDED 5TH APRIL 2024

The Trustees present their annual report and financial statements of the charity for the year ended 5 April 2024.

#### Objects and Policies

The Funds are to be applied for or towards such charitable purposes at such time or times and in such manner as the Trustees shall in their absolute discretion think fit. The objectives are fulfilled by the Trustees through consideration of appeals and making grants or donations in response thereto. Funds held pending disbursement may be invested in securities of whatsoever nature the Trustees think fit.

#### Activities and achievements during the year

The Trust continued to consider requests for funding and to respond thereto. Income amounted to £141,848 (which includes a donation of £125,029 from the settlor). This compared to £14,261 in the previous year.

Donations of £51,924 were made during the year compared to £23,600 in the previous year.

Support costs including governance costs totalled £4,050 (2023 £3,096)

#### Administration Information

The Prevo Trust is constituted by a Trust Deed dated 2nd March 1988 and is a registered Charity number 327784 under clause 9(1). The statutory power of appointing new or additional Trustees rests with Lucy Astor.

There is a minimum number of two Trustees.

#### Trustees

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### TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT YEAR ENDED 5TH APRIL 2024

#### **Risk Factors**

The Trustees have taken advantage of exemption available for charities with incoming resources of less than £1,000,000 not to carry out a risk assessment.

#### **Investment Policy**

There are no restrictions in the Trust Deed. The Trustees operate a low risk policy with a balance of income and capital growth. The investments are currently held in a mixture of stock market investments and cash deposits. There were unrealised/ realised gains of £57,406 on the investments held. This compared with unrealised/realised losses of £30,774 in the previous year.

#### **Reserves Policy**

It is the Trustees policy to restrict outgoing resources to the available income. Clause 2 of the Trust Deed gives the power to apply the Trust fund and the income thereof for such Charitable purposes as the Trustees shall in their absolute discretion determine. Accordingly it is possible to maintain reserves at a minimal level.

#### **Public Benefit**

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in Section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the general guidance issued by the Charities Commission on public benefit.

#### **Related Party Transactions**

There were no related party transactions during the period.

#### **Responsibilities of the Trustees**

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and 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 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;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the Trust Deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention of fraud and other irregularities.

*L Amy Astor*

L Astor

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:

Date: 14<sup>th</sup> Jun. 2025

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### INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2024

#### Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of The Prevo Trust

I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Prevo Trust for the year ended 5 April 2024 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and related notes.

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Charity's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charity and the Charity's trustees as a body, for my work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

#### Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's financial statements 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.

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 that an auditor considers in giving their opinion on the financial statements. 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 financial statements 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 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:

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- the financial statements 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

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 financial statements to be reached.



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Date: 14 January 2025

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE  
YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2024**

	Note	Expendable Endowment Funds £	Unrestricted Funds £	2024 Total Funds £	2023 Total Funds £
<b>Income from:</b>					
Investment Income	3	-	16,819	16,819	14,261
Transfer from Settlor		125,029	-	125,029	-
		<u>125,029</u>	<u>16,819</u>	<u>141,848</u>	<u>14,261</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Raising funds		5,065	-	5,065	4,510
Charitable activities	4	2,025	53,949	55,974	26,696
		<u>7,090</u>	<u>53,949</u>	<u>61,039</u>	<u>31,206</u>
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<u>7,090</u>	<u>53,949</u>	<u>61,039</u>	<u>31,206</u>
<b>Net gains / (losses) on investments</b>	10	57,406	-	57,406	(30,774)
		<u>57,406</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>57,406</u>	<u>(30,774)</u>
<b>Net income / (expenditure)</b>		175,345	(37,130)	138,215	(47,719)
<b>Transfers between funds</b>		(50,000)	50,000	-	-
		<u>(50,000)</u>	<u>50,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Net movements in funds</b>		<u>125,345</u>	<u>12,870</u>	<u>138,215</u>	<u>(47,719)</u>
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>					
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>		814,943	27,951	842,894	890,613
		<u>814,943</u>	<u>27,951</u>	<u>842,894</u>	<u>890,613</u>
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<u>940,288</u>	<u>40,821</u>	<u>981,109</u>	<u>842,894</u>

All activities relate to continuing operations.

The notes on pages 6 to 8 form part of these financial statements .

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT  
5 APRIL 2024

	Note	Year ended 5 April 2024		Year ended 5 April 2023	
		£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed Asset Investments at Market Value</b>					
Quoted investments					
UK quoted securities	10		928,949		754,941
<b>Current Assets</b>					
<b>Debtors</b>					
Encore Award			8,544		2,400
<b>Cash at Bank</b>					
Barclays		32,918		77,494	
Rathbone Investment Management					
Capital Account		15,034		11,406	
Income Account		1,040		1,253	
			48,992		90,153
			986,485		847,494
<b>Current liabilities</b>					
Sayers Butterworth LLP		2,760		2,280	
Sayers Butterworth LLP Independent Examiners		1,200		1,170	
Rathbone Investment Management		1,416		1,150	
			5,376		4,600
<b>Net Assets</b>			<u>981,109</u>		<u>842,894</u>
<b>REPRESENTING:</b>					
<b>Expendable Endowment Funds</b>	13		940,288		814,943
<b>Unrestricted Income Funds</b>	13		40,821		27,951
			<u>981,109</u>		<u>842,894</u>

The accounts were approved by the Trustees on 14<sup>th</sup> Jan. 2025 and signed on their behalf by:

L. Astor  
L Astor

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### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2024

#### 1 Accounting Policies

##### (a) Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (Second Edition) and the Financial Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following 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) (Second Edition) rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

The Prevo Trust is a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. There are no material uncertainties regarding the Charity's ability to continue and so the going concern basis has been adopted.

##### (b) Income

Investment income is accounted for in the period in which the charity is entitled to receipt. Investment income received by the Charity qualifying for the repayment of income tax has been grossed up for tax recoverable and this gross amount is recognised on the SOFA.

Income from donations is included in incoming resources when these are receivable, except as follows: when donors specify that donations given to the Charity must be used in future accounting periods, the income is deferred until those periods. When donors impose conditions which have to be fulfilled before the Trust becomes entitled to use such income, the income is deferred and not included in incoming resources until the pre-conditions for use have been met.

##### (c) Taxation

No provision for taxation is included in the accounts as the Charity is entitled to the exemption for tax afforded by Part 10 of the Income Tax Act 2007 and Section 256 of the Chargeable Gains Act 1992.

##### (d) Expenditure

Expenditure is included on an accruals basis and includes irrecoverable value added tax. Donations payable are charged in the year when the offer is conveyed to the recipient except in those cases where the offer is conditional, such donations being recognised as expenditure when the conditions attaching are fulfilled. Donations offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end are noted as a commitment, but not accrued as expenditure.

(e) Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the Charity and include costs linked to the strategic management of the Charity.

(f) Investments are valued at open market value.

(g) Fund accounting - Details of the nature and purpose of each fund is set out in note 13.

##### (h) Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.



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## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2024

### 1 Accounting policies (continued)

#### (i) Creditors and provisions

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in a transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

#### (j) Financial Instruments

The Charity only has financial instruments of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at settlement value.

### 2 Trustees Remuneration and Expenses

No Trustees received remuneration or expenses.

### 3 Investment Income

	2024 Expendable Endowment	2024 Unrestricted Income	2024 Total	2023 Total
Dividends	-	15,974	15,974	14,090
Bank interest	-	845	845	171
	-	16,819	16,819	14,261

### 4 Costs of Charitable Activities

	2024 Expendable Endowment	2024 Unrestricted Income	2024 Total	2023 Total
Donations	-	51,924	51,924	23,600
Support costs	2,025	2,025	4,050	3,096
	2,025	53,949	55,974	26,696

### 5 Support costs (Including Governance costs)

	2024 Expendable Endowment £	2024 Unrestricted Income £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Accountancy and taxation charges including under provision for previous year	1,375	1,375	2,750	2,056
Independent Examiners review under provision for previous year	650	650	1,300	1,040
	2,025	2,025	4,050	3,096

Included within support costs are payments to the Independent Examiners of £1,300 for the independent examination (2023: £1,040)

	2024 £	2023 £
6 Donations payable		
Prizes	10,000	10,000
Prizes 4 Shortlisted Authors	2,000	2,000
Judges Fees	5,100	5,100
Venue Hire and catering	29,573	-
Video Production	-	1,500
Award Administration	5,251	5,000
	51,924	23,600
	-	-
	51,924	23,600

The objectives of the Trust are fulfilled by the Trustees through consideration of appeals and making grants in response thereto. All grants made are for the general support of the recipient.

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**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**  
**YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2024**

**7 Employees**  
There were no employees during the year.

**8 Related Party Transactions**  
There were no related party transactions during the period. In the previous year a donation was received from one of the Trustees.

**9 Controlling Party**  
No one party has overall control of the Trust.

**10 Fixed Asset Investments**  
**Quoted investments**

	2024		2023
	£	£	£
Opening market value at 6 April 2023		754,941	765,218
Additions made during the year		478,785	121,389
Transfer from Settlor		125,029	-
Disposals during the year		(487,212)	(100,892)
Net realised (loss) / gain on disposals	(5,342)		(3,090)
Net unrealised gain/ (loss) on revaluation to market value at year end	62,748		(27,684)
	<u>57,406</u>		<u>(30,774)</u>
<b>Closing market value at 5 April 2024</b>		<u>928,949</u>	<u>754,941</u>
<b>Historical cost</b>		<u>804,968</u>	<u>677,663</u>

**11 Funds**

Unrestricted funds comprise those funds which the Trust is free to use in accordance with the charitable objects.

Expendable endowment fund represents those assets, principally investments, that are held by the charity on a more permanent basis.

Any capital gains or losses arising on the investments form part of the fund.

Investment management charges and legal advice relating to the fund are charged against the fund.

Income arising on the endowment fund is included as Unrestricted income.

Clause 3 of the Trust Deed gives the power to apply the Trust Fund for such charitable purposes as the Trustees shall in their absolute discretion determine.

**12 Analysis of cash and cash equivalents**

	2024	2023
	£	£
Cash at bank	48,992	90,153
	<u>48,992</u>	<u>90,153</u>

**13 Analysis of net assets between funds**

	Expendable Endowment Fund £	Unrestricted Income Fund £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Fund balances at 5 April 2024 are represented by:				
Fixed assets	928,949	-	928,949	754,941
Current assets	14,735	34,257	48,992	90,153
Debtors	-	8,544	8,544	2,400
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(3,396)	(1,980)	(5,376)	(4,600)
	<u>940,288</u>	<u>40,821</u>	<u>981,109</u>	<u>842,894</u>

**14 Statement of funds**

	Brought Forward £	Incoming Resources £	Expenditure £	Gains / Losses £	Transfers £	Carried Forward £
Unrestricted Funds	27,951	16,819	(53,949)	-	50,000	40,821
Expendable endowment funds	814,943	125,029	(7,090)	57,406	(50,000)	940,288
Total funds	<u>842,894</u>	<u>141,848</u>	<u>(61,039)</u>	<u>57,406</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>981,109</u>