The Wyboston Lakes Charitable Trust

England & Wales · Charity number 328589

Details

Other names	THE POTTON CHARITABLE TRUST
Status	Registered
Legal form	Trust
Registered	1990-04-04
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

Address	Wyboston Lakes Resort Great North Road Wyboston Bedford MK44 3AL
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Activities

Objects: (A) (I) TO PROMOTE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF SEX OR OF POLITICAL RELIGIOUS OR OTHER OPINIONS BY THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFRE FOR RECREATION AND LEISURE-TIME OCCUPATION WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE FOR THE PUBLIC; (II) TO ESTABLISH OR TO SECURE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMUNITY CENTRES OR OTHER FACILITIES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE COMMUNITY AND TO MAINTAIN AND MANAGE OR TO CO-OPERATE WITH ANY LOCAL AUTHORITY OR ANY OTHER CHARITABLE BODY IN THE MAINTENANCE AND MANAGEMENT OF SUCH CENTRES AND FACILITIES FOR ACTIVITIES PROMOTED BY THE TRUST IN FURTHERANCE OF THE ABOVE OBJECTS; (B) TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO THOSE WHO BY REASON OF THEIR YOUTH AGE, INFIRMITY OR DISABLEMENT HAVE NEED OF SUCH ASSISTANCE WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF POLITICAL RELIGIOUS OR OTHER OPINIONS; (C) TO PROVIDE GRANTS DONATIONS AND OTHER FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE OT ANY CHARITABLE INSTITUTION OR INSTITUTIONS WHICH UNDER THE LAWS OF ENGLAND SHALL BE RECOGNISED AS EXCLUSIVELY CHARITABLE AND REGISTERED OR REGISTERABLE AS SUCH UNDER THE CHARITIES ACT 1960 OR ANY STATUTORY RE-ENACTMENT.

Activities: The provision of grants, donations and other financial assistance to charitable institutions. Also the provision of facilities and financial assistance to the benefit of the community and to the young, aged, infirm and disabled.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Other Finance
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies

Geography

- Bedford
- Buckinghamshire
- Cambridgeshire
- Central Bedfordshire
- Hertfordshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£26,421	£57,414	-	-
2024-03-31	£23,327	£8,283	-	-
2023-03-31	£17,054	£23,673	-	-
2022-03-31	£10,689	£18,598	-	-
2021-03-31	£23,150	£13,978	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Chelsey Rae Sugden		2017-03-15
Julie Ireland		2026-06-22
STEVE RICHARD HUTCHINSON		
Stephen Jones		2026-06-22

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Accounts

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 328589

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND

UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

FOR

THE POTTON CHARITABLE TRUST

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES
Objectives and aims
The principal objectives of the charity are to provide grants, donations and other financial assistance to charitable institutions. To provide facilities and financial assistance to the benefit of the community and to the young, aged infirm and disabled.

Significant activities
The Trustees note that there was no significant activities in the year.

Public benefit
The Trustees confirm their compliance with the duty to have due regards to the public benefit guidance (section 17 of the Charities Act 2011) published by the Charity Commission when reviewing the Charity's aims and objectives and in planning future activities.

Grantmaking
During the year the charity paid out £19,500 to two different charities.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE
Charitable activities
In the year the Trustees paid grants totalling £19,500 (2024 - £Nil).

Investment Policy and Performance
Under the trust deed the charity has the power to make any investments which the trustees shall in their absolute discretion think fit. The investments are made to optimism returns and minimise risk in the short term. The Trustees will ensure that independent advice is taken to balance risk and return.

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The charity received income of £26,421 (2024 - £16,590).

FINANCIAL REVIEW
Financial position
The charity generate £26,421 from investments in the year and spent £57,415 and therefore needed to use their sufficient reserves to pay for the donations.

Investment policy and objectives
The investment policy of the charity is to optimise returns and minimise risk in the short term.

Reserves policy
It is the policy of the charity to maintain unrestricted funds, which are the free reserves of the charity, to meet its management and administration costs and to be able to respond to approved applications for grants which arise from time to time.

Going concern
After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the Accounting Policies.

FUTURE PLANS
The charity along with its trustees will aim to maximise returns so to allow for the continuation of grants.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT
Governing document
The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

The trust is an unincorporated trust, constituted under a trust deed dated 19 March 1990 and is a registered charity, number 328589.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees
The power of appointing new Trustees to the charity shall be vested in the settlor.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Induction and training of new trustees
The Trustees are familiar with the practical work of the charity, there being no induction arrangements.

Risk management
The charity Trustees have considered the major risks to which the charity is exposed and have reviewed those risks and have established systems and procedures to manage those risks. The charity considers the variability of investment returns to constitute the charity's major risk.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number
328589

Principal address
Wyboston Lakes
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Trustees
S R Hutchinson
Ms C R Sugden
C Conlan

Independent Examiner
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 30 January 2026 and signed on its behalf by:

S R Hutchinson - Trustee

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

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Potton Charitable Trust
I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Potton Charitable Trust (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2025.

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').

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

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:

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.

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.

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30 January 2026

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	31.3.25 Unrestricted fund £	31.3.24 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Investment income	2	30,779	52,007
Other income		-	11,881
Total		30,779	63,888
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	3	18,923	14,232
Charitable activities			
Charitable Activities		38,491	-
Total		57,414	14,232
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(26,635)	49,656
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		1,125,290	1,075,634
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		1,098,655	1,125,290

The notes form part of these financial statements

THE POTTON CHARITABLE TRUST

BALANCE SHEET
31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	31.3.25 Unrestricted fund £	31.3.24 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	6	5,000	5,000
Investments	7	1,026,484	1,022,125
		1,031,484	1,027,125
CURRENT ASSETS			
Investments	8	15,484	8,239
Cash at bank		56,487	92,326
		71,971	100,565
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	9	(4,800)	(2,400)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		67,171	98,165
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		1,098,655	1,125,290
NET ASSETS		1,098,655	1,125,290
FUNDS	10		
Unrestricted funds		1,098,655	1,125,290
TOTAL FUNDS		1,098,655	1,125,290

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 30 January 2026 and were signed on its behalf by:

S R Hutchinson - Trustee

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements
The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, with the exception of investments which are included at market value, as modified by the revaluation of certain assets.

Income
All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure
Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end date are noted as a commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

Tangible fixed assets
Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Taxation
The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting
Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds 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.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

2. INVESTMENT INCOME

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Rents received	132	1,568
Dividends	11,126	8,923
Interest	15,162	6,098
Gain on fixed assets	4,359	35,418
	30,779	52,007

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

3. RAISING FUNDS

Raising donations and legacies

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Support costs	-	6,283

Investment management costs

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Portfolio management fees	18,923	7,949
Aggregate amounts	18,923	14,232

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2025 nor for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2025 nor for the year ended 31 March 2024.

5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	
Investment income	52,007
Other income	11,881
Total	63,888
EXPENDITURE ON	
Raising funds	14,232
NET INCOME	49,656
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS	
Total funds brought forward	1,075,634
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	1,125,290

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6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Short leasehold £
COST	
At 1 April 2024 and 31 March 2025	5,000
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 March 2025	5,000
At 31 March 2024	5,000

7. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Listed investments £
MARKET VALUE	
At 1 April 2024	1,022,125
Revaluations	4,359
At 31 March 2025	1,026,484
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 March 2025	1,026,484
At 31 March 2024	1,022,125

There were no investment assets outside the UK.

Cost or valuation at 31 March 2025 is represented by:

	Listed investments £
Valuation in 2025	184,195
Cost	842,289
	1,026,484

8. CURRENT ASSET INVESTMENTS

	31.3.25 £	31.3.24 £
Investment account	15,484	8,239

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9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.25 £	31.3.24 £
Other creditors	4,800	2,400

10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.24 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	1,125,290	(26,635)	1,098,655
TOTAL FUNDS	1,125,290	(26,635)	1,098,655

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	30,779	(57,414)	(26,635)
TOTAL FUNDS	30,779	(57,414)	(26,635)

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	1,075,634	49,656	1,125,290
TOTAL FUNDS	1,075,634	49,656	1,125,290

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	63,888	(14,232)	49,656
TOTAL FUNDS	63,888	(14,232)	49,656

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10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.4.23	Net movement in funds	At 31.3.25
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	1,075,634	23,021	1,098,655
TOTAL FUNDS	1,075,634	23,021	1,098,655

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	94,667	(71,646)	23,021
TOTAL FUNDS	94,667	(71,646)	23,021

11. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 March 2025.

THE POTTON CHARITABLE TRUST

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Investment income		
Rents received	132	1,568
Dividends	11,126	8,923
Interest	15,162	6,098
Gain on fixed assets	4,359	35,418
	30,779	52,007
Other income		
Gain on sale of tangible fixed assets	-	11,881
Total incoming resources	30,779	63,888
EXPENDITURE		
Investment management costs		
Portfolio management fees	18,923	7,949
Charitable activities		
Grants to institutions	19,500	-
Support costs		
Finance		
Bank charges	60	63
Governance costs		
Auditors' remuneration	2,400	2,740
Professional fees	16,531	3,480
	18,931	6,220
Total resources expended	57,414	14,232
Net (expenditure)/income	(26,635)	49,656

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