

The DATIC Trust

(Registered Charity Number 511222)

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended 31 December 2024

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Trustees Annual Report

Trustees

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Registered Charity Number
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Trustees Annual Report

Trustees' report

The trustees are pleased to present their report and financial statements of the charity for year ended 31 December 2024.

Structure Governance & management

The Charity is operated under the rules of its trust deed dated 15 January 1981 and most recently amended 22 April 2009.

Overall management of the charity is the responsibility of the trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the trust deed. Day to day project activity is managed and carried out by volunteers and paid staff.

Objects of the charity

The trust was established for the advancement of the Christian faith in the city of Sheffield and neighbourhood and in particular the promotion of the Christian faith amongst the residents in Darnall, Attercliffe and Tinsley who originate from countries outside of the United Kingdom.

Reserves Policy

The Datic Trust is a Registered Charity and has agreed that it needs to hold financial reserves in a realisable form so as to deal with possible unforeseen expenditure which is not specifically provided for in the annual budget.

The charity's policy is to hold unrestricted reserves equal to no less than six months' unrestricted expenditure, based on the previous year's expenditure, plus 5% to account for inflationary increases.

This includes sufficient to (*please note this list is not exhaustive*):

- Meet its contractual liabilities should the organisation have to close. This includes redundancy payments, amounts due to creditors and commitments under leases.
- Meet unexpected expenditure such as breakdown of essential equipment or facilities; provide staff cover for illness, maternity leave and legal costs defending the charity's interests.
- Replace equipment as it wears out.
- Emergency repairs and maintenance to the building.
- Ensure that the DATIC Trust can continue to provide a stable and quality service to
- those who need it's services.
- Provide working capital when funding is paid in arrears or paid late.

There is currently £174,871 held in unrestricted reserves.

However, the trustees feel that it is more prudent to calculate the reserves figure without the inclusion of fixed assets as they are largely represented by the value of the building that is owned by the DATIC Trust and in the event of the building being sold to raise cash, the charity would effectively no longer exist in it's current form.

So in effect, the true position is:

	£
Unrestricted reserves balance =	174,871
Less unrestricted fixed assets =	(140,000)
Revised unrestricted reserves =	34,871

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Report of the DATIC Trust activities during 2024

For the DATIC Trust 2024 has been a year of significant change. Some changes were encouraging while other were more challenging. Galeed House in Darnall, Sheffield continues to be the main hub of activity for the Trust.

Trustees

The trustees have met three times, though one of these was via video call due to heavy snow. One of the issues we have faced is a search for additional trustees due to planned retirements. We are hopeful that two new trustees will join us in 2025.

A major development in 2024 has been our involvement in another area of the city with similar demographics to our present areas of Darnall, Attercliffe and Tinsley. This initiative followed consultations with other charities and potential stakeholders that were either present in the area already or interested in engaging with the community. We concluded that it was right for the DATIC Trust to launch a three-month trial project, a women's English conversation class. All being well we would then commit to develop other activities in this district.

Our Human Resources sub-committee functions well by organising annual appraisals for employees, recruitment and interviews for applicants, recommendations for salary increases, and ensuring compliance with employment regulations.

Volunteers

Most of our activities continue to be run and/or supported by a team of dedicated volunteers. An annual dinner in January provides opportunity for the trustees to express their appreciation to the volunteers and for those from various activity teams to have the chance to get to know one another. The sharing of stories from the various clubs/activity groups is always a highlight which provides a greater sense of cohesion between our teams as well as fresh motivation for continuing to serve the community in the coming year.

New volunteers who have joined us this year are a huge encouragement. They will often see what we are doing with fresh eyes and speak passionately about the work of the Trust.

Employees

The number of part-time employees has increased in recent years from an original two to five. Their expertise in English teaching and finance benefits us though increases the overheads of the Trust. We are careful to ensure that those we employ share the ethos and values of the Trust. Each of them views their role as more than a job, rather as an opportunity to serve the community because of their Christian faith.

During the year we were grateful to find an interim Administrator to tide us over until we were able to recruit a long-term administrator in the last quarter of the year. Our new Administrator is fitting in well having been a volunteer formerly, and now getting to grips with her new role.

In 2024 our Community Worker developed a new activity delivering unsold bread from a bakery elsewhere to families who were in need and appreciated the gesture. Relationships are being built as a result. He has also become a Community Hub Leader with a large school in the DATIC area. His role should connect children and families to relevant forms of support available in the community. He is also part of an Open The Book team that has openings to bring spiritual values into various schools through Bible story telling.

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Activities

After many years of success we decided to close the declining Kids Club. In its place we have opened a Homework Help Club which is appreciated by children and some of their parents who attend. This new club is reaching children from ethnic groups in the community that we had begun to lose touch with. So this is encouraging. The volunteer team running this club includes several trained teachers.

Activities for secondary school children are currently closed. In 2024 we did not see our way clear to run the Boys Club again. In addition the Girls Club came to a natural end after many effective years. This was sad but we remain open to see what new possibilities open up for serving teens in the community in the future. Finding key leaders with fresh ideas, fresh vision and the right skill set will be essential for this to be realised.

The English classes continue steadily with the Women's English always receiving larger numbers than the men's classes.

In the summer we worked with other Christian organisations in Darnall to hold a Family Fun Day. This was a great success with some 500 people coming to enjoy food-stalls, games and relaxation. We want to see this develop further next year.

Networking

Useful networking with other organisations in the community continues. These include Darnall Wellbeing, a local foodbank, and other faith leaders through a monthly meeting to share and plan.

Training

At our summer gathering for the Galeed Team (staff, volunteers and trustees) we ran a training on ways of using Christian scriptures to engage the interest of those from other faiths. Our invited trainer, a published author, brought excellent insights from his wide experience both overseas and locally.

Online safeguarding training continued during the year under the guidance of our Safeguarding officer.

Maintenance

Galeed House, our community centre and main base is being well maintained to ensure the safety and comfort of all users of the premises. This year a number of windows were replaced and insulation improved. The cost was covered by designated funding.

Publicity

Our new promotional video came into use this year and is being well appreciated, particularly when visiting partner churches and other sympathetic churches.

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Finance

In the current climate of spiralling prices we, along with many other charities, are feeling the economic pinch with another deficit in this financial year. We are actively looking for ways to broaden our donor base and increase income.

We have an aging and therefore declining base of individual donors. In an effort to increase the number of younger donors we have begun to make use of QR codes.

Our Treasurer (new in 2023) has improved the financial reporting system, and completed various tasks to ensure the trust conforms to the Charity Commission's recommendations. Our Reserves Policy and Spending Policy were formalised and approved.

Our Finance Assistant worked hard to bring Gift Aid claims up to date. In addition she has helped our donors to migrate their giving to a different bank due to closing an account at a previous bank.

The new initiative in another area of the city has financial implications as we are hiring rooms in a church premises.

Funding applications are normally handled by our administrator. The year 2024 saw several changes of personnel in this role. However, with guidance from those formerly serving in this role we are up to date with applications and hoping to increase funding in the coming year.

In conclusion, despite several setbacks there are positive developments too. The charity is in good heart and looking forward to making a positive impact on the communities we serve in the coming year.

Jonathan Chamberlain
Chairperson of Trustees

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Trustees' report

Summary of the main achievements during the period continued

Trustees responsibilities for the financial statements

The trustees are responsible for preparing financial statements for each financial period which show the state of affairs of the Charity and of the surplus or deficit of the Charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- ☐ select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently
 - ☐ observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP FRS (102)
 - ☐ make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
 - ☐ prepare the financial statements on a 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 enable the Trustees to prepare financial statements.

The Trustees are responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention of fraud and other irregularities.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees on 10 July 2025 by



Jonathan Chamberlain



Thomas Cudmore

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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The DATIC Trust

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024, which are set out on pages 9 to 13.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and 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(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- ☐ examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- ☐ to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145 (5)(b) of the 2011 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 Commission. 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 seeking 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 no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

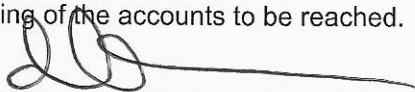
(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- ☐ to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- ☐ to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: _____



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Date: 10 July 2025 _____

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Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2024

		Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
	Notes				
Incoming resources	1				
Grants	2	19,200	9,464	28,664	24,960
Donations	2	16,097	-	16,097	14,608
Gift aid		3,094	-	3,094	-
Other income		1,510	-	1,510	445
Total Incoming resources		39,901	9,464	49,365	40,013
Resources expended					
Building services, maintenance and equipment		2,920	7,498	10,418	1,928
Administration and management		2,372	-	2,372	1,732
Salaries		34,342	460	34,802	32,712
Clubs, activities and literature		-	2,264	2,264	1,513
Utilities, rates and insurance		5,698	-	5,698	4,146
Trainer and worker support		701	-	701	901
Accountancy and payroll		554	-	554	592
Other expenditure		1,583	-	1,583	618
Total resources expended		48,170	10,222	58,392	44,142
Net (outgoing)/incoming resources		(8,269)	(758)	(9,027)	(4,129)
Total funds brought forward		183,140	1,000	184,140	188,269
Total funds carried forward		174,871	242	175,113	184,140

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Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
Fixed Assets			
Tangible assets	5	140,000	140,000
Investments (Long term)		-	-
Total Fixed assets		<u>140,000</u>	<u>140,000</u>
Current assets			
Debtors	6	-	-
Balance at bank		35,418	44,430
Total current assets		<u>35,418</u>	<u>44,430</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	7	(305)	(290)
Net current assets/(liabilities)		<u>35,113</u>	<u>44,140</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>175,113</u>	<u>184,140</u>
Total net assets		<u>175,113</u>	<u>184,140</u>
Represented By			
The Funds of the Charity			
Unrestricted income fund		174,871	183,140
Restricted income fund	8	242	1,000
Total Funds		<u>175,113</u>	<u>184,140</u>

The Trustees declare that they have approved the accounts above.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees on 10 July 2025 by

Jonathan B Chamberlain

Jonathan Chamberlain

Thomas Cudmore

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Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024

1 Accounting Policies

(a) Basis of preparation

The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with the the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102), and the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS102 (effective from January 2015 and updated with effect from January 2016) - (the Charities SORP (FRS102)), as modified for smaller charities.

The Charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity as defined under FRS102.

(b) Incoming Resources

All material incoming resources have been included on a receivable basis- i.e. they are included if the date receivable falls within the period covered by these accounts.

(c) Resources expended

These have been analysed using a natural classification.

(d) Depreciation

Depreciation has been calculated to write down the cost or valuation, less estimated residual value, of all tangible fixed assets over their expected useful lives on a straight line basis.

The applicable rates are;

Equipment 20%

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Notes to the Accounts

for the year ended 31 December 2024

2 Grants and Donations

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Archer Trust	-	-	-	1,000
Anonymous Funding Body	-	-	-	5,000
Churches Burgess Trust	-	-	-	1,000
The Cutlers Company Charitable Trust	1,000	-	1,000	1,000
Darnall Area Trust Fund	-	558	558	810
Deo Gloria Trust	1,500	-	1,500	1,500
Evanangelical Trust Ltd	1,500	-	1,500	1,500
The Freshgate Trust	-	-	-	2,000
Fulwood PCC	500	-	500	-
Garfield Weston Foundation	-	-	-	5,000
The Gavin Foundation	-	-	-	-
J G Graves Charitable Trust	1,000	-	1,000	1,000
James Neill Trust Fund	1,000	-	1,000	1,000
Living Waters Christian Fellowship	200	-	200	-
Sheffield Evangelical Trust	500	-	500	-
Sheffield City Council	-	1,408	1,408	150
Sheffield Town Trust	-	-	-	2,000
Souter Trust	2,000	-	2,000	-
South Yorkshire Community Foundation	10,000	7,498	17,498	1,000
St Agatha's	-	-	-	1,000
	19,200	9,464	28,664	24,960

3 Trustees remuneration, benefits and expenses

During this period no trustees were re-imbursed for travel or out of pocket expenses (2023: nil)

4 Fees for examination of the accounts

	2024	2023
	£	£
Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts	305	290
	305	290

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5 Fixed Assets

	Buildings £	Equipment £	Total £
Cost or Valuation			
as at 1 January 2024	140,000	2,196	142,196
Additions	-	-	-
Result of revaluation	-	-	-
as at 31 December 2024	140,000	2,196	142,196
Depreciation			
as at 1 January 2024	-	2,196	2,196
Charge this period	-	-	-
as at 31 December 2024	-	2,196	2,196
Net Book Value			
as at 31 December 2024	140,000	-	140,000
as at 31 December 2023	140,000	-	140,000

6 Debtors

	2024 £	2023 £
Gift Aid	-	-
Other Debtor	-	-
	-	-

7 Creditors; amounts falling due within one year

	2024 £	2023 £
Accruals and deferred income	305	290
	305	290

8 Movement in Restricted Funds

	Opening Balance £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	Carried forward £
Darnall Area Trust Fund	-	558	(558)	-
SCC - Youth	-	500	(500)	-
SCC - Thursday Ladies	-	908	(666)	242
Sheffield Evangelical Trust	-	500	(500)	-
South Yorkshire Community Foundation	-	7,498	(7,498)	-
St Agatha's	1,000	-	(1,000)	-
	1,000	9,964	(10,722)	242