

Charles Williams Charity
Financial Statements
31 October 2023

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Trustees' Annual Report

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The trustees present their report and the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 October 2023.

Reference and administrative details

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Charity registration number 701554

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Mr Gareth Edwards (Deputy Chair)
Cllr Claire Baker-Westhead
Cllr Stephen Cocks
Mr Timothy Ford
Cllr Jason Hughes
Mr Stephen Marshall OBE
Mr Keith Minton (Retired 1 February 2024)
Mr Michael Sansom
The Reverend Sue Pratten (Ex Officio)
Mr Kevin Davies
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The following are the trustees for the administration of the Charles Williams Charity and serve both Educational Endowment and Church and Roads Estate.

EX-OFFICIO TRUSTEES:

Appointed representative of The Lord Bishop of Monmouth, Ven Jonathan Williams
The Vicar of the Parish of Llangattock-juxta-Caerleon, The Reverend Sue Pratten

REPRESENTATIVE TRUSTEES:

Whose Term of Office Expires

Appointed by the Parochial Church Council of Llangattock-juxta-Caerleon

Mr Keith Minton (Retired 1 February 2024)

Mr Michael Sansom

9 December 2024

Vacancy

Appointed by Newport City Council

Cllr Jason Hughes

8 May 2024

Ms Gail Giles

23 September 2026

Cllr Claire Baker-Westhead

8 September 2027

Cllr Stephen Cocks

8 September 2027

CO-OPTATIVE TRUSTEES:

Mr Julio Benavides

3 December 2027

Mr Gareth Edwards

8 September 2026

Mr Stephen Marshall OBE

8 May 2027

Mr Timothy Ford

26 September 2024

Mr Paul Burley

20 May 2026

Mr Ralph Wessel

20 May 2026

Mr Kevin Davies

19 May 2027

PRINCIPAL OFFICERS:

Chairman:

Mr Julio Benavides

Deputy Chairman:

Mr Gareth Edwards

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Structure, governance and management

The charity is constituted by the trust deed and the following governing documents apply:

Church and Road Estate Scheme of 29 June 1878
Educational Endowment Scheme of 22 August 1988

Both sides of the charity are administered by a single Board of Trustees consisting of 15 members, made up as follows:

Charles Williams Charity Trustee Board

There are two Ex-officio trustees, Lord Bishop of Monmouth or nominated representative and the Vicar of the Parish of Llangattock-juxta-Caerleon.

There are six nominative trustees appointed by the following organisations to fill their designated number of places on the Board:

Parochial Church Council of Llangattock-juxta-Caerleon 2
Newport City Council 4

There are also 7 Co-optative trustees who make up the full trustee complement of 15.

Trustees are appointed when nominated by the various bodies, as required under the Governing Document. When a trustee is appointed, they undergo an induction with the Administrator, who explains what the Charity does and the policies and procedures in place. They are provided with literature, produced by the Charity Commission, regarding their duties and responsibilities and are required to sign a Code of Conduct declaration. They also receive a copy of the Governing Document and the most recent set of financial statements.

The trustees work very well within their streamlined working groups and the charity is able to allow the trustees to work to their abilities and expertise within their allocated groups. The following are the current working groups of the charity:

- Finance & Steering (F&S)
- Church & Roads (C&R)
- Legal (L)
- Joint School Development (JDC)
- Human Resources (HR)
- Grants (G)

All of the decisions made by these groups are ratified by the main Board of Trustees at the main quarterly meetings.

Risk assessment

The trustees are responsible for overseeing the risks faced by the charity. Risks are identified, assessed and mitigation is established throughout the year. A formal review of the charity's risk management processes is undertaken on an annual basis. The trustees have identified their principal risk as being a severe downturn on the financial markets where their funds are invested. However, the Investment Policy and close liaison with the Investment Managers provides prudent management should this occur.

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The trustees are aware of their responsibilities to protect the investments of the charity to maximise the returns, so they are able to further the objectives. The trustees are satisfied that the risks identified have been mitigated where necessary.

Objectives and activities

To assist the School Governors in providing at Charles Williams Church in Wales (CiW) Primary school special benefits of any kind not normally provided by the Local Education Authority.

Since the year end, the Trustees have decided to no longer offer the Exhibition Grant that was awarded to students under the age of 25 when they move on to Higher Education. 2023 is the final year these grants have been awarded. This has been replaced with the Hardship Grant which was first trialled in 2023. For some pupils, Hardship grants contribute to creating a more equitable and inclusive educational environment by providing support to pupils who face systemic barriers to accessing education. By addressing financial hardship, institutions can work towards creating a more level playing field for all pupils, regardless of their socioeconomic background, enabling pupils the opportunity to pursue their educational goals and unlock their potential.

To support the children of Caerleon, a sum of money agreed upon by the Trustees will be set aside each year for the Hardship Grant. The allocation will be reviewed annually. The amount will be allocated to the three schools in Caerleon, reflecting the number of learners in each school and any other measures the Trustees wish to include. Schools will award grants to support the wellbeing, learning, and participation circumstances deemed to require financial assistance, such as help with school uniform or participation in extracurricular activities for which a parent/caregiver would normally be charged. Feedback from all three schools has been fantastic and very welcomed as a lot of families now find themselves in a cost-of-living crisis.

The Major Leaving award has been replaced with an award of £100 each for the Head and Deputy Head pupils of Caerleon Comprehensive. This award is given in appreciation of their hard work and commitment to the school.

Book vouchers, each valued at £25, are presented to the six ambassadors at Charles Williams CiW Primary School, and to four head and deputy head pupils at the Caerleon Lodge Hill Primary School.

Money is set aside each year for the charity to contribute to the following school trips: The Lodge Hill Primary School for their Outward-Bound trip and Charles Williams CiW Primary for their Westminster Abbey Trip. Additionally, funds are allocated annually to assist with transportation for the Caerleon Lodge Hill Primary School carol concert.

Bibles are also purchased for children completing their primary school education at the Charles Williams CiW Primary School and Caerleon Lodge Hill Primary School.

The Trustees have decided that there is no requirement for specific designated funds at this time and so in 2019 brought forward balances on these funds were transferred to the Educational Endowment General Fund. Going forward, they will monitor the need for designated funds and establish them if required.

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The Objectives of the Church and Road Estate Scheme are to apply the income for the repair and adornment of the Church of St. Cadoc's and its Churchyard and in mending and repairing the road leading into and within the town and, as far as not applied, shall be applied for the educational purposes of the Scheme. (As amended by resolution made under the Charities Act 1993, Section 74 (2)(c) on 4 December 1995 and confirmed by the Charity Commissioners on 8 August 1996.)

The Trustees decided that any surplus income arising from the Church and Roads Estate side of the Charity would be retained in the General Fund. In 2019, they also decided that there was no requirement for the Church and Roads Estate Designated Church Fund at this time and so the brought forward balance on the fund was transferred to the General Fund.

Achievements and performance

During the year the Trustees instigated the following:

1. The charity is pleased to provide an update on the redevelopment progress at Charles Williams CiW Primary School. Since 2019, the charity has dedicated its efforts to forming a Management Committee, collaborating closely with all stakeholders to oversee the redevelopment of various school facilities, including the Key Stage 2 Building, now known as Isca building, Admin Block, Manual and Domestic Block, and Nursery, while also addressing the removal of demountable buildings.

In 2019, the school secured 21st Century funding to initiate upgrades, with the charity contributing 15% of the total costs. However, due to numerous unforeseen circumstances, the project did not commence in earnest until the end of January 2022. Subsequently, building costs and material prices experienced significant escalation, coupled with the discovery of additional work required on the Manual and Domestic building. To address these challenges, the school approached the Welsh Government on three occasions for supplemental financial assistance, all of which were graciously approved. Consequently, the initial funding of £1,620,000 nearly doubled to £3,097,704, with the charity's 15% contribution amounting to £464,655.

Additionally, a separate funding allocation was secured for the replacement of windows in the Manual and Domestic Building. Pending planning permission approval anticipated in April, construction is scheduled to commence during the summer holidays. The estimated funding for this particular project stands at £250,000, with the charity further contributing 15%.

Amidst significant challenges, the charity acknowledges the unwavering commitment and diligent efforts of the Management Committee. Comprising Trustees of the charity, school Governors, and a representative from the local authority, their collective dedication has yielded remarkable results, culminating in the transformation of the school to a first-class facility.

2. The charity is pleased to announce that the Re-development Committee has successfully submitted another funding bid to the Welsh Government for a maintenance program in the School House. With the invaluable support of Beccie Morteo, Head of Education for Llandaff & Monmouth Diocese, the committee has secured funding for the initial phase of works, encompassing repairs to windows, roofs, and damp issues. The project has been awarded a total fund of £752,100 (including VAT), with 85% (£639,285) provided by the Welsh Government and 15% (£112,815) by the Charles Williams Charity.

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3. The charity bid farewell to Mr. Keith Minton, who retired from his position within the charity on 1st February 2024. We express our sincere gratitude to Keith for his dedication and tireless efforts on behalf of the charity. The depth of his knowledge regarding both the charity's operations and the local community were invaluable to the Trustees.
4. Bibles and book vouchers were provided to the two primary schools - Charles Williams CiW Primary & Caerleon Lodge Hill School.
5. During the year, 33 students received grants towards their further and higher education via the Exhibition Grant.
6. The first Hardship grant was awarded to the 3 schools in Caerleon totalling £10,000.
7. Monies set aside for the school trips to Westminster and the Outward-Bound trip were paid and the charity's contribution to the Lodge Hill Primary school was honoured.

Public benefit statement

Charles Williams Charity is a public benefit entity. The Educational Endowment delivered public benefit by making grants to Charles Williams CiW Primary School for the purpose of providing the children with additional benefits, not normally made available through the LEA. This grant funding allows the school to further its purpose of providing education to its students and also allows the school to maintain and continue a programme for the upkeep and maintenance of the school buildings.

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Financial review

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 on 16 July 2014.

Educational Endowment Fund

Strict budgetary control, together with a strong performance by our Investment Managers despite the continuing difficult market conditions, has meant that the trustees are pleased with the results for the year.

The total incoming resources for the year were £176,530 compared to £163,437 in the previous year.

The investment income of £172,685 has increased since the previous year (2022: £159,592). Other income was £3,845, both this year and last year.

Total resources expended were £496,518 compared to £163,000 in 2022. This represents an increase of £333,518 which was due to the charity's 15% contribution of costs incurred to date on the 21st Century building project at the School which was mainly completed in the year. A detailed breakdown of expenditure for the year ended 31 October 2023 for costs of charitable activities can be found in note 7. Investment management fees amounted to £34,728, (2022: £36,782), which is 0.55% on the first £3m and 0.60% on the next £5m.

Total unrestricted funds carried forward are £964,353 (2022: £1,246,382) and so are still high despite the significant expenditure during the year.

Investment performance

At the year end, the Educational Endowment investment portfolio was worth £5,340,875 and the Church and Road Estate £103,224. The portfolio generated a return of 1.8%, net of expenses, over the year, which was just behind the market benchmark return of 3.8%.

Overall, 2023 was a difficult year for active investors as markets remained volatile and higher income producing assets, including higher yielding equities, struggled against an unfavourable backdrop of high inflation and interest rates. The one area within equity markets that did perform well was the information technology sector, particularly the so called 'Magnificent 7' in the United States, all of which enjoyed exceptional gains on the back of euphoria relating to Artificial Intelligence. These stocks represent approximately 25% of the US stock market by value. The portfolio only has modest exposure to this area, reflecting the focus on preserving capital and the objective to generate a relatively high level of income.

On a more positive note, since the year end the portfolio has performed well, generating a return of approximately 7% in the final two months of 2023. The more positive tone to equity markets has largely continued through the first quarter of 2024.

The investment portfolios generated a total income of £173,123 in the last financial year, with a split of £171,006 (Educational Endowment) and £2,117 (Church and Roads). This was ahead of the target level of income for 2022/23 of £165,000.

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Church and Roads Fund

The total incoming resources for the year were £2,252 (2022: £2,336) and consisted of investment income and bank interest.

There was expenditure during the year of £688 (2022: £747).

The closing market value of the fixed asset investments was £103,224 at 31 October 2023 (2022: £105,638).

The surplus on unrestricted funds of £1,564 (2022: deficit of £735) has been retained in the General Fund.

Policies

Reserves policy

The policy in place is to maintain reserves to cover the charity's commitment to the building work at the Charles Williams CiW Primary School, under the 21st Century Funding Project. Once the project has been completed, the trustees intend to maintain a level of reserves sufficient to cover any unexpected expenditure on the buildings which date back to the 18th Century.

Other

During the year, the trustees prepared and approved a Financial Policy for the charity. The charity does not undertake any fundraising from members of the public and so does not have a fundraising policy.

Investment policy

Introduction

Charles Williams Charity is a UK registered charity. While the responsibility for the maintenance of the school lies with the LA, the trustees could from time to time assist the governors of Charles Williams Church in Wales Primary School in their obligations in relation to the maintenance and development of the school and the associated buildings. In addition, the charity provides the school with special benefits of any kind not normally provided by the LA. When possible, financial assistance is given to qualifying students and young people living in the area of benefit.

The trustees have recently introduced a Hardship Grant to assist school children who attend the three schools in Caerleon.

The management of the investments has been delegated to Evelyn Partners. Evelyn Partners are responsible investors and signatories to the United Nations principles of responsible investment. This shows that Evelyn Partners are investing the charity's money in a responsible way, taking into account environmental, social and governance factors.

This investment policy covers the Endowment fund, the unrestricted (Designated Building Repair) fund, and the Church & Road Estate fund.

Investment Objectives

Charles Williams Charity seeks to produce the best financial return within an acceptable

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level of risk.

The investment objective is to generate a total return of CPI+3.5% p.a. A minimum income requirement will be set at the start of each year. The objective is to increase the income target by inflation (CPI), with a 5% cap in any one year.

Performance will be measured against the primary objective of CPI plus 3.5% over a rolling 5-year period. In order to assess the return in the context of market conditions a secondary benchmark will be adopted, which is a composite of market indices as detailed below (*):

33.75%	MSCI UK IMI
33.75%	MSCI All Countries World ex-UK
17.50%	iBoxx GBP Gilts 7-10 years
3.33%	LBMA Gold USD PM
3.33%	HFRX Global Hedge Funds
3.33%	MSCI UK IMI Core Real Estate
5.00%	SONIA Overnight cash

Risk

The key risk to the long-term reserves is inflation, and the assets should be invested to mitigate this risk over the long term. The Finance & Steering Committee understands that this is likely to mean that investment will be concentrated in real assets and that the capital value will fluctuate.

The assets can be invested widely and should be diversified by asset class and security. Asset classes could include equities, bonds, commercial property collective investment schemes and cash, but not derivatives or hedge funds.

Ethical restrictions

Please refer to the separate ethical policy.

Reports

A quarterly report will be produced by the Investment Manager, together with an annual report that coincides with the charity year end, i.e. 31st October. A hard copy of each quarterly and year-end report will be mailed to every trustee of Charles Williams Charity, either via email or hard copy, once they are compiled by Evelyn Partners.

Review

This investment policy statement will be reviewed annually, usually at the annual review meeting with Investment Managers, which presently takes place in December at the Trustees Quarterly Meeting.

Notes:

*This composite reflects a strategic asset allocation which the investment manager, Evelyn Partners, deems to be consistent with the primary CPI+3.5% objective whilst maintaining a balance between capital growth and income (Ref C2: April 2020 S&W Risk Supplement).

Ethical Policy

This policy sets out the ethical investment restrictions placed on the investment manager and applies to all direct investments. It will be reviewed annually.

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Direct investment in companies that generate more than 20% of revenue from the following activities should be avoided:

- Gambling
- Alcohol
- Tobacco

Direct investment in companies that generate more than 10% of revenue from the following activities should be avoided:

- The extraction of thermal coal
- The production of oil from tar sands
- Conventional weapons
- Nuclear weapons

Direct investment in companies that generate more than 5% of revenue from the following activities should be avoided:

- Adult entertainment
- Predatory lending activities
- Non-conventional weapon manufacturers

The trustees require the Investment Manager to adopt a responsible approach to investing, incorporating ESG (Environmental, Social and Governance) considerations in their investment process and actively engaging with companies as well as voting on the charity's behalf. An annual report should be provided which demonstrates Evelyn Partners' sound stewardship.

Review

This Ethical policy statement will be reviewed annually, usually at the annual review meeting with Investment Managers, which presently takes place in December at the Trustees Quarterly Meeting.

Plans for future periods

The trustees will continue to explore ways of improving the charity and seeking financial assistance on school modernisation, concentrating on priority educational needs.

Last year, the charity appointed a Project Manager and Surveyor to conduct a thorough survey and documentation of maintenance needs for the School House. As a Grade II listed building, it demands a sensitive and meticulous approach to any required works. The comprehensive report has been finalised, and with the acquisition of additional funding from the Welsh Government, the trustees eagerly anticipate implementing the maintenance plan. The initial phase will focus on addressing window repair/replacement, as well as resolving roof and damp issues throughout the building.

The trustees carefully oversee the hardship grant, ensuring it fulfils its intended purpose. They conduct regular assessments to gauge its impact, monitor its distribution to deserving recipients, and identify any emerging needs or challenges within the Caerleon community. Additionally, they are dedicated to transparently communicating information about the grant's availability, eligibility criteria, and application process, which helps foster trust and accountability among stakeholders. Through their diligent monitoring efforts, the trustees work to uphold the grant's mission of providing essential support to those facing financial adversity, ultimately making a meaningful difference in the lives of children and their families in Caerleon.

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Trustees' responsibilities statement

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' 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 and Wales requires the charity trustees to prepare financial statements for each 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 applicable 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;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

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 applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations, 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.

The trustees' annual report was approved on 30 May 2024 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:


Julio Benavides (May 30, 2024 14:42 GMT+1)

Mr Julio Benavides (Chair)
Trustee


gareth edwards (May 30, 2024 17:00 GMT+1)

Mr Gareth Edwards (Deputy Chair)
Trustee

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Independent Auditor's Report to the Trustees of Charles Williams Charity

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Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Charles Williams Charity (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 October 2023 which comprise the statement of financial activities, statement of financial position and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including FRS 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 October 2023 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice;
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

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Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charity and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the trustees' report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Charities Act 2011 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the trustees' report is inconsistent in any material respect with the financial statements; or
- adequate accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the trustees' responsibilities statement, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

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Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

We gained an understanding of the legal and regulatory framework applicable to the charity and the industry in which it operates, and considered the risk of acts by the charity that were contrary to applicable laws and regulations, including fraud. We designed audit procedures to respond to the risk, recognising that the risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment by, for example, forgery and intentional misrepresentations, or through collusion.

We focussed on the laws and regulations which could result in a material misstatement in the financial statements, including but not limited to, the Charities Act 2011. As in all of our audits, we evaluated management's incentives and opportunities for fraudulent manipulation of the financial statements (including the risk of override of controls) and determined that the principal risks were misappropriation of assets and funds not being expended in line with the charity's objects. Audit procedures performed included:

- Discussions with management, including consideration of known or suspected instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations and fraud;
- Selecting a sample of transactions and tracing to documentation to establish that they are bonafide transactions;
- Evaluating the rationale of significant transactions outside the normal course of business and reviewing accounting estimates for indicators of potential bias;
- Designing audit procedures to incorporate unpredictability around the nature, timing or extend of our testing; and
- Agreeing the financial statement disclosures to underlying supporting documentation.

There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures described above and, the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations is from the events and transactions reflected within the financial statements, the less likely we would become aware of it. We did not identify any key audit matters relating to irregularities, including fraud.

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As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (UK), we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the trustees.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the charity to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

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We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charity's members, as a body, in accordance with section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under section 154 of that Act. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Kara Williams

Kara Williams (May 30, 2024 17:45 GMT+1)

Kara Williams BSc FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of
Ellis Lloyd Jones Audit Limited
Chartered accountants & statutory auditor
11 Park Square
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Date: 30 May 2024

Charles Williams Charity

Statement of Financial Activities

Year ended 31 October 2023

		2023			2022
	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Income and endowments					
Investment income	4	172,685	–	172,685	159,592
Other income	5	3,845	–	3,845	3,845
Total income		<u>176,530</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>176,530</u>	<u>163,437</u>
Expenditure					
Expenditure on raising funds:					
Investment management costs	6	4,644	30,084	34,728	36,782
Expenditure on charitable activities	7	461,790	–	461,790	126,218
Total expenditure		<u>466,434</u>	<u>30,084</u>	<u>496,518</u>	<u>163,000</u>
Net losses on investments	8	7,875	(42,670)	(34,795)	(517,195)
Net expenditure and net movement in funds		<u>(282,029)</u>	<u>(72,754)</u>	<u>(354,783)</u>	<u>(516,758)</u>
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		1,246,382	7,445,140	8,691,522	9,208,280
Total funds carried forward		<u>964,353</u>	<u>7,372,386</u>	<u>8,336,739</u>	<u>8,691,522</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.
All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 19 to 29 form part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Financial Position


31 October 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible fixed assets	13	2,850,000	2,850,000
Investments	14	5,371,600	5,290,205
		<u>8,221,600</u>	<u>8,140,205</u>
Current assets			
Debtors	15	23,174	14,106
Cash at bank and in hand		152,406	616,687
		<u>175,580</u>	<u>630,793</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	16	<u>60,441</u>	<u>79,476</u>
Net current assets		<u>115,139</u>	<u>551,317</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>8,336,739</u>	<u>8,691,522</u>
Net assets		<u>8,336,739</u>	<u>8,691,522</u>
Funds of the charity			
Endowment funds		7,372,386	7,445,140
Unrestricted funds		964,353	1,246,382
Total charity funds	18	<u>8,336,739</u>	<u>8,691,522</u>

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on 30 May 2024, and are signed on behalf of the board by:


Julio Benavides (May 30, 2024 14:42 GMT+1)

**Mr Julio Benavides (Chair)
Trustee**


gareth edwards (May 30, 2024 17:00 GMT+1)

**Mr Gareth Edwards (Deputy Chair)
Trustee**

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Notes to the Financial Statements

Year ended 31 October 2023

1. General information

The charity is a public benefit entity and a registered charity in England and Wales and is unincorporated. The address of the principal office is School House, High Street, Caerleon, Newport, South Wales, NP18 1AZ.

2. Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the 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) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Charities Act 2011.

3. Accounting policies

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) issued on 16 July 2014 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2015.

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) issued on 16 July 2014 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005, which has since been withdrawn.

Going concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 October 2023

3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Fund accounting

The permanent endowment fund must be retained and invested in order to obtain a return. The permanent endowment fund cannot be used as if it were income, however certain payments must be made out of the endowment, such as the payment of investment management fees where these relate to investments held within the endowment. All incoming resources derived from assets held as endowment investments form part of the unrestricted funds unless the application of the income is restricted to a particular purpose. Any income not spent at the year end should be carried forward in the appropriate unrestricted or restricted fund.

General Funds

Unrestricted funds are expendable at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the charity's objects. If part of an unrestricted fund is earmarked for a particular project it may be designated as a separate fund, but the designation has an administrative purpose only, and does not legally restrict the trustees' discretion to apply the fund.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity; it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- income from donations or grants is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement to the gift, receipt is probable and its amount can be measured reliably.
- investment income is recognised in the period to which it relates.

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 October 2023

3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events, non-charitable trading activities, and the sale of donated goods.
- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.
- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated to expenditure categories reflecting the use of the resource. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs are apportioned between the activities they contribute to on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis.

Tangible assets

All fixed assets are initially recorded at cost.

At the moment, the charity does not have a minimum amount at which assets are capitalised and each asset is considered on an individual basis depending on its use and its economic life.

However, since the charity does not generally purchase a significant amount of fixed assets, the Trustees do not believe this is a significant issue.

The Trustees review the fixed assets regularly with respect to impairment and provide for any impairment as and when necessary.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost or valuation of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Equipment	- 25% straight line
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Investments

Listed investments are measured at fair value with changes in fair value being recognised in income or expenditure.

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

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3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Investment property

Investment property is initially recorded at cost, which includes purchase price and any directly attributable expenditure.

Investment property is revalued to its fair value at each reporting date and any changes in fair value are recognised in income or expenditure.

If a reliable measure of fair value is no longer available without undue cost or effort for an item of investment property, it shall be transferred to tangible assets and treated as such until it is expected that fair value will be reliably measurable on an on-going basis.

Impairment of fixed assets

A review for indicators of impairment is carried out at each reporting date, with the recoverable amount being estimated where such indicators exist. Where the carrying value exceeds the recoverable amount, the asset is impaired accordingly. Prior impairments are also reviewed for possible reversal at each reporting date.

For the purposes of impairment testing, when it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, an estimate is made of the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. The cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable group of assets that includes the asset and generates cash inflows that largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets.

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 October 2023

3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Financial instruments

A financial asset or a financial liability is recognised only when the charity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at the amount receivable or payable including any related transaction costs.

Current assets and current liabilities are subsequently measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be paid or received and not discounted.

Debt instruments are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

Where investments in shares are publicly traded or their fair value can otherwise be measured reliably, the investment is subsequently measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognised in income and expenditure. All other such investments are subsequently measured at cost less impairment.

Financial assets that are measured at cost or amortised cost are reviewed for objective evidence of impairment at the end of each reporting date. If there is objective evidence of impairment, an impairment loss is recognised under the appropriate heading in the statement of financial activities in which the initial gain was recognised.

For all equity instruments regardless of significance, and other financial assets that are individually significant, these are assessed individually for impairment. Other financial assets are either assessed individually or grouped on the basis of similar credit risk characteristics.

Any reversals of impairment are recognised immediately, to the extent that the reversal does not result in a carrying amount of the financial asset that exceeds what the carrying amount would have been had the impairment not previously been recognised.

Defined contribution plans

Contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised as an expense in the period in which the related service is provided. Prepaid contributions are recognised as an asset to the extent that the prepayment will lead to a reduction in future payments or a cash refund.

When contributions are not expected to be settled wholly within 12 months of the end of the reporting date in which the employees render the related service, the liability is measured on a discounted present value basis. The unwinding of the discount is recognised as an expense in the period in which it arises.

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Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended 31 October 2023

4. Investment income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Income from listed investments	171,006	171,006	159,270	159,270
Bank interest receivable	1,679	1,679	322	322
	<u>172,685</u>	<u>172,685</u>	<u>159,592</u>	<u>159,592</u>

5. Other income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Other income	3,845	3,845	3,845	3,845
	<u>3,845</u>	<u>3,845</u>	<u>3,845</u>	<u>3,845</u>

6. Investment management costs

	Unrestricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Portfolio management	4,644	30,084	34,728
	<u>4,644</u>	<u>30,084</u>	<u>34,728</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Portfolio management	4,922	31,860	36,782
	<u>4,922</u>	<u>31,860</u>	<u>36,782</u>

7. Expenditure on charitable activities by fund type

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Charity school insurance costs	28,771	28,771	19,503	19,503
Repairs and maintenance of the Charity school	381,262	381,262	71,507	71,507
Higher Education grants	9,900	9,900	7,200	7,200
Grants to the Charity School	1,600	1,600	-	-
Other grants and book costs	12,410	12,410	1,372	1,372
Wages and pensions – see note 11	19,098	19,098	18,095	18,095
Office costs	1,837	1,837	1,607	1,607
Bank charges	149	149	202	202
Support costs – audit fees	5,949	5,949	5,385	5,385
Support costs – payroll bureau and accountancy	814	814	1,347	1,347
	<u>461,790</u>	<u>461,790</u>	<u>126,218</u>	<u>126,218</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

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8. Net losses on investments

	Unrestricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Gains/(losses) on cash held for investment purposes	–	1,286	1,286
Gains/(losses) on revaluation of investments	(17,468)	(138,655)	(156,123)
Gains/(losses) on disposal of investment assets	25,343	94,699	120,042
	<u>7,875</u>	<u>(42,670)</u>	<u>(34,795)</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Gains/(losses) on cash held for investment purposes	–	10,152	10,152
Gains/(losses) on revaluation of investments	(105,973)	(422,376)	(528,349)
Gains/(losses) on disposal of investment assets	5,208	(4,206)	1,002
	<u>(100,765)</u>	<u>(416,430)</u>	<u>(517,195)</u>

9. Net expenditure

Net expenditure is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2023 £	2022 £
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	<u>–</u>	<u>18</u>

10. Auditors remuneration

	2023 £	2022 £
Fees payable for the audit of the financial statements	<u>5,949</u>	<u>5,384</u>
Fees payable to the charity's auditor and its associates for other services:		
Other non-audit services	<u>814</u>	<u>1,347</u>

11. Staff costs

The total staff costs and employee benefits for the reporting period are analysed as follows:

	2023 £	2022 £
Wages and salaries	18,339	17,271
Employer contributions to pension plans	759	824
	<u>19,098</u>	<u>18,095</u>

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11. Staff costs (continued)

The average head count of employees during the year was 1 (2022: 1). The average number of full-time equivalent employees during the year is analysed as follows:

	2023 No.	2022 No.
Number of staff	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2022: Nil).

12. Trustee remuneration and expenses

No remuneration or other benefits from employment with the charity or a related entity were received by the trustees.

13. Tangible fixed assets

	Land and buildings £	Equipment £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 November 2022 and 31 October 2023	<u>2,850,000</u>	<u>5,498</u>	<u>2,855,498</u>
Depreciation			
At 1 November 2022 and 31 October 2023	<u>–</u>	<u>5,498</u>	<u>5,498</u>
Carrying amount			
At 31 October 2023	<u>2,850,000</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>2,850,000</u>
At 31 October 2022	<u>2,850,000</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>2,850,000</u>

14. Investments

	Cash or cash equivalents £	Listed investments £	Investment properties £	Total £
Cost or valuation				
At 1 November 2022	291,533	4,967,947	30,725	5,290,205
Additions	–	2,318,524	–	2,318,524
Disposals	(255,943)	(1,825,063)	–	(2,081,006)
Fair value movements	–	(156,123)	–	(156,123)
At 31 October 2023	<u>35,590</u>	<u>5,305,285</u>	<u>30,725</u>	<u>5,371,600</u>
Impairment				
At 1 November 2022 and 31 October 2023				<u>–</u>
Carrying amount				
At 31 October 2023	<u>35,590</u>	<u>5,305,285</u>	<u>30,725</u>	<u>5,371,600</u>
At 31 October 2022	<u>291,533</u>	<u>4,967,947</u>	<u>30,725</u>	<u>5,290,205</u>

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14. Investments (continued)

All investments shown above are held at valuation.

Investment properties

The majority of the land held within investment property was valued by Cooke & Arkwright at 1st November 2015. The Trustees do not believe that the valuation has changed significantly since this date.

Financial assets held at fair value

Fixed asset investments are held at fair value in accordance with FRS102 SORP. The fair value is based on current market value and is determined with reference to the portfolio managed by Evelyn Partners Investment Managers.

15. Debtors

	2023	2022
	£	£
Prepayments and accrued income	<u>23,174</u>	<u>14,106</u>

16. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	58,169	77,045
Social security and other taxes	155	113
Other creditors	<u>2,117</u>	<u>2,318</u>
	<u>60,441</u>	<u>79,476</u>

17. Pensions and other post- retirement benefits

Defined contribution plans

The amount recognised in income or expenditure as an expense in relation to defined contribution plans was £759 (2022: £824).

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18. Analysis of charitable funds

Unrestricted funds

	At 1 November 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Gains and losses £	At 31 October 2023 £
General fund	<u>1,246,382</u>	<u>176,530</u>	<u>(466,434)</u>	<u>7,875</u>	<u>964,353</u>

	At 1 November 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Gains and losses £	At 31 October 2022 £
General fund	<u>1,314,850</u>	<u>163,437</u>	<u>(131,140)</u>	<u>(100,765)</u>	<u>1,246,382</u>

Sufficient resources are held in an appropriate form to enable each fund to be applied in accordance with its purpose.

Endowment funds

	At 1 November 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Gains and losses £	At 31 October 2023 £
Permanent Endowment Fund	<u>7,445,140</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>(30,084)</u>	<u>(42,670)</u>	<u>7,372,386</u>

	At 1 November 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Gains and losses £	At 31 October 2022 £
Permanent Endowment Fund	<u>7,893,430</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>(31,860)</u>	<u>(416,430)</u>	<u>7,445,140</u>

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19. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Tangible fixed assets	–	2,850,000	2,850,000
Investments	849,214	4,522,386	5,371,600
Current assets	175,580	–	175,580
Creditors less than 1 year	(60,441)	–	(60,441)
Net assets	<u>964,353</u>	<u>7,372,386</u>	<u>8,336,739</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Tangible fixed assets	–	2,850,000	2,850,000
Investments	694,912	4,595,293	5,290,205
Current assets	630,793	–	630,793
Creditors less than 1 year	(79,323)	(153)	(79,476)
Net assets	<u>1,246,382</u>	<u>7,445,140</u>	<u>8,691,522</u>

20. Related parties

When the charity was set up, two separate functions were established one for the school and the other for the Church and Road Estate and they are kept separate.

During the year, Charles Williams Charity received investment income totalling £2,117 (2022: £2,318) on behalf of the Church and Road Estate. £2,318 was paid to the Church and Road Estate during the year. At the year end, £2,117 was due to the Church and Road Estate (2022: £2,318) and is included in other creditors.

Charles Williams Charity Church and Road Estate

Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Charles Williams Charity Church and Road Estate

Year ended 31 October 2023

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Charles Williams Charity Church and Road Estate (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 October 2023 which comprise the statement of financial activities, statement of financial position and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including FRS 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 October 2023 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice;
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

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Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Charles Williams Charity Church and Road Estate (continued)

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Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charity and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the trustees' report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Charities Act 2011 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the trustees' report is inconsistent in any material respect with the financial statements; or
- adequate accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the trustees' responsibilities statement, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

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Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Charles Williams Charity Church and Road Estate (continued)

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Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

We gained an understanding of the legal and regulatory framework applicable to the charity and the industry in which it operates, and considered the risk of acts by the charity that were contrary to applicable laws and regulations, including fraud. We designed audit procedures to respond to the risk, recognising that the risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment by, for example, forgery and intentional misrepresentations, or through collusion.

We focussed on the laws and regulations which could result in a material misstatement in the financial statements, including but not limited to, the Charities Act 2011. As in all of our audits, we evaluated management's incentives and opportunities for fraudulent manipulation of the financial statements (including the risk of override of controls) and determined that the principal risks were misappropriation of assets and funds not being expended in line with the charity's objects. Audit procedures performed included:

- Discussions with management, including consideration of known or suspected instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations and fraud;
- Selecting a sample of transactions and tracing to documentation to establish that they are bonafide transactions;
- Evaluating the business rationale of significant transactions outside the normal course of business and reviewing accounting estimates for indicators of potential bias;
- Designing audit procedures to incorporate unpredictability around the nature, timing or extend of our testing; and
- Agreeing the financial statement disclosures to underlying supporting documentation.

There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures described above and, the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations is from the events and transactions reflected within the financial statements, the less likely we would become aware of it. We did not identify any key audit matters relating to irregularities, including fraud.

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As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (UK), we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the trustees.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the charity to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

Charles Williams Charity Church and Road Estate

Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Charles Williams Charity Church and Road Estate *(continued)*

Year ended 31 October 2023

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charity's members, as a body, in accordance with section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under section 154 of that Act. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Kara Williams

Kara Williams (May 30, 2024 17:45 GMT+1)

Kara Williams BSc BFP FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of
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Date : 30 May 2024

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Statement of Financial Activities

Year ended 31 October 2023

		2023			2022
	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total funds £	Total funds £
Income and endowments					
Investment income	24	2,252	—	2,252	2,336
Total income		<u>2,252</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>2,252</u>	<u>2,336</u>
Expenditure					
Expenditure on raising funds:					
Investment management costs	25	196	492	688	747
Total expenditure		<u>196</u>	<u>492</u>	<u>688</u>	<u>747</u>
Net losses on investments	26	492	1,234	1,726	10,023
Net expenditure and net movement in funds		<u>1,564</u>	<u>(1,726)</u>	<u>(162)</u>	<u>(8,434)</u>
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		46,761	75,509	122,270	130,704
Total funds carried forward		<u>48,325</u>	<u>73,783</u>	<u>122,108</u>	<u>122,270</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.
All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 37 to 42 form part of these financial statements.


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Statement of Financial Position

31 October 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
Fixed assets			
Investments	29	103,224	105,638
Current assets			
Debtors	30	2,117	2,318
Cash at bank and in hand		16,767	14,314
		<u>18,884</u>	<u>16,632</u>
Net current assets		<u>18,884</u>	<u>16,632</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>122,108</u>	<u>122,270</u>
Funds of the charity			
Endowment funds		73,783	75,509
Unrestricted funds		48,325	46,761
Total charity funds	31	<u>122,108</u>	<u>122,270</u>

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on 30 May 2024, and are signed on behalf of the board by:


Julio Benavides (May 30, 2024 14:42 GMT+1)

Mr Julio Benavides
Trustee


gareth edwards (May 30, 2024 17:00 GMT+1)

Mr Gareth Edwards
Trustee

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Notes to the Financial Statements

Year ended 31 October 2023

21. General information

The charity is a public benefit entity and a registered charity in England and Wales and is unincorporated. The address of the principal office is School House, High Street, Caerleon, Newport, NP18 1AZ.

22. Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the 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) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Charities Act 2011.

23. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities and investment properties measured at fair value through income or expenditure.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

Going concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees to further any of the charity's purposes.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular future project or commitment.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure declared by the donor or through the terms of an appeal, and fall into one of two sub-classes: restricted income funds or endowment funds.

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

Year ended 31 October 2023

23. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity; it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured.

Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events, non-charitable trading activities, and the sale of donated goods.
- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.
- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated to expenditure categories reflecting the use of the resource. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs are apportioned between the activities they contribute to on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis.

Investments

Unlisted equity investments are initially recorded at cost, and subsequently measured at fair value. If fair value cannot be reliably measured, assets are measured at cost less impairment.

Listed investments are measured at fair value with changes in fair value being recognised in income or expenditure.

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Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

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23. Accounting policies (continued)

Financial instruments

A financial asset or a financial liability is recognised only when the entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at the amount receivable or payable including any related transaction costs, unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where it is recognised at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument.

Current assets and current liabilities are subsequently measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be paid or received and not discounted.

Debt instruments are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

Where investments in shares or preference shares are publicly traded or their fair value can otherwise be measured reliably, the investment is subsequently measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognised in income and expenditure. All other such investments are subsequently measured at cost less impairment.

24. Investment income

	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 2023	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£	£
Income from listed investments	2,117	2,117	2,318	2,318
Bank interest receivable	135	135	18	18
	<u>2,252</u>	<u>2,252</u>	<u>2,336</u>	<u>2,336</u>

25. Investment management costs

	Unrestricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£
Portfolio management	<u>196</u>	<u>492</u>	<u>688</u>

	Unrestricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£
Portfolio management	<u>213</u>	<u>534</u>	<u>747</u>

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26. Net losses on investments

	Unrestricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£
Gains/(losses) on revaluation of investments	649	1,627	2,276
Gains/(losses) on disposals of investments	(1,141)	(2,861)	(4,002)
	<u>(492)</u>	<u>(1,234)</u>	<u>(1,726)</u>

	Unrestricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£
Gains/(losses) on revaluation of investments	(2,850)	(7,144)	(9,994)
Gains/(losses) on disposals of investments	(8)	(21)	(29)
	<u>(2,858)</u>	<u>(7,165)</u>	<u>(10,023)</u>

27. Staff costs

No salaries or wages have been paid to employees during the year.

28. Trustee remuneration and expenses

No remuneration or other benefits from employment with the charity or a related entity were received by the trustees.

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29. Investments

	Cash or cash equivalents £	Listed investments £	Total £
Cost or valuation			
At 1 November 2022	402	105,236	105,638
Additions	–	27,037	27,037
Disposals	2,321	(34,049)	(31,728)
Fair value movements	–	2,277	2,277
At 31 October 2023	<u>2,723</u>	<u>100,501</u>	<u>103,224</u>
Impairment			
At 1 November 2022 and 31 October 2023			<u>–</u>
Carrying amount			
At 31 October 2023	<u>2,723</u>	<u>100,501</u>	<u>103,224</u>
At 31 October 2022	<u>402</u>	<u>105,236</u>	<u>105,638</u>

All investments shown above are held at valuation.

Financial assets held at fair value

Fixed asset investments are held at fair value in accordance with FRS102 SORP. The value is determined with reference to the portfolio managed by Evelyn Partners Investment Managers (formerly known as Smith & Williamson).

30. Debtors

	2023	2022
	£	£
Other debtors	<u>2,117</u>	<u>2,318</u>

31. Analysis of charitable funds

Unrestricted funds

	At 1 November 2022	Income	Expenditure	Gains and losses	At 31 October 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
General Fund	<u>46,761</u>	<u>2,252</u>	<u>(196)</u>	<u>(492)</u>	<u>48,325</u>

	At 1 November 2021	Income	Expenditure	Gains and losses	At 31 October 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
General Fund	<u>47,496</u>	<u>2,336</u>	<u>(213)</u>	<u>(2,858)</u>	<u>46,761</u>

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31. Analysis of charitable funds (continued)

Endowment funds

	At 1 November 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Gains and losses £	At 31 October 2 023 £
Expendable Endowment Fund	<u>75,509</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>(492)</u>	<u>(1,234)</u>	<u>73,783</u>

	At 1 November 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Gains and losses £	At 31 October 2022 £
Expendable Endowment Fund	<u>83,208</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>(534)</u>	<u>(7,165)</u>	<u>75,509</u>

32. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
Investments	29,441	73,783	103,224
Current assets	<u>18,884</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>18,884</u>
Net assets	<u>48,325</u>	<u>73,783</u>	<u>122,108</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £
Investments	30,129	75,509	105,638
Current assets	<u>16,632</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>16,632</u>
Net assets	<u>46,761</u>	<u>75,509</u>	<u>122,270</u>

33. Related parties

When the Charity was set up, two separate functions were established, one for the school and the other for the Church and Road Estate and the funds are kept separate.

During the year, Charles Williams Charity received investment income totalling £2,117 (2022: £2,318) on behalf of the Church and Road Estate. £2,318 was received from Charles Williams Charity during the year. At the year end, £2,117 was due to the Church and Road Estate (2022: £2,318) which is included in other debtors.