



# THE WRENTHAM TRUST

Charity Commission Number  
1000440

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## **Trustees' Report for the Year to 5 April 2024**

### **Objectives & Structure**

The Wrentham Trust was established pursuant to a Charitable Trust Deed dated 11 September 1990 as an unincorporated association with general charitable purposes. It seeks to benefit persons from disadvantaged or other challenging backgrounds, particularly children or young adults, as well as supporting research into cures for illnesses such as cancer, etc. It works primarily through other charities or institutions which have the resources, skills and knowledge to provide impactful assistance through teaching, education or other learning opportunities. The Wrentham Trust is also able to make direct grants to individuals for charitable purposes.

The trustees seek to apply The Wrentham Trust's resources in a way which produces public benefit for as wide a cross-section of the community as is achievable whilst retaining measurable impact. The trustees are mindful in this regard of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

### **Operations in the Year**

The Wrentham Trust's activities have continued largely unchanged from previous years, focusing on assisting young people with their education or studies. As such it has provided studentships at post-graduate, graduate and sixth-form level at University College London, Imperial College London and Epsom College. It continues to provide funding for the educational outreach activities of Guildford Shakespeare Company for two primary and one secondary schools in disadvantaged areas of Surrey, a commitment which has been extended to 2027 and which includes GSC's programme to support young carers.

The Wrentham Trust has also supported Transforming Lives for Good, a charity which trains volunteer coaches to work with emotionally vulnerable children in their last primary school year on their journey towards secondary schools. One of the trustees is an unpaid volunteer for TLG.

The trustees have monitored the impact of their support with the educational establishments concerned. The feedback received consistently points to The Wrentham Trust's support being

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impactful and of considerable assistance to young people who without the direct or indirect support provided would have no or fewer opportunities to grow their academic or personal skills. Financial support provided by The Wrentham Trust in the education sector accounted for 86% of all funding provided. All of such grants were paid to organisations which are registered charities.

Outside its primary sphere of operations The Wrentham Trust supported appeals to raise funds for medical equipment (including a blood analyser and other paediatric equipment) at a children's hospital located in the Ukraine, supported a charity providing pyjamas for children in hospital at Christmas and has made other minor donations where individuals have undertaken personal charitable endeavours.

## **Management & Governance**

The Wrentham Trust is governed by up to six trustees, appointed by the founders or by co-option of the trustee body. The trustees at the end of the reporting period and at the date of this report were Andrew Kiesel, Brigitte Kiesel, Timothy Kiesel, Bernd Ratzke and Karen Ratzke. The trustees meet (physically or digitally) as often as is required to make decisions which affect the actual or planned operations of The Wrentham Trust, and minute their decisions. They have adopted a formal Grant Making Policy to support their decision making.

The Wrentham Trust has no employees and none of the trustees received any expenses or remuneration in connection with their role as trustees. All the trustees are qualified professionals (lawyers, engineers or teachers) or have significant experience in running successful businesses. Where appropriate, they take professional advice and guidance on their responsibilities as trustees.

## **Financial Review**

The Wrentham Trust is supported by its trustees and their close friends or connections through donations, and by legacies from former clients. It has not sought to raise funds from other sources. The Wrentham Trust's accountants are:

Bullimores LLP, Chartered Accountants  
Old Printers Yard  
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None of the funds held by The Wrentham Trust are restricted (i.e., not available for the general purposes of the charity at the end of the reporting period). It is not thought necessary therefore to set any funds aside at the end of the reporting period to provide reserves. The trustees carefully consider commitments made prior to the year-end to ensure that sufficient future resources are available.

All funds are held in cash by way of bank deposits and amounted to £3,574,979 at the end of the reporting period. The trustees consider that a catastrophic failure of the banking system is the only significant financial risk to which The Wrentham Trust is exposed and that if such event were to happen it is highly likely that all the major clearing banks would be adversely affected. The Wrentham Trust's bankers are:

National Westminster Bank plc  
14 High Street  
Dorking, Surrey RH4 1AX

## **Plans for Future Periods**

Whilst looking to provide wide public benefit, the trustees will favour supporting charities and institutions of which they have direct experience or other personal knowledge. The Wrentham Trust's Grant Making Policy requires the trustees in each case to be confident that such grants as are provided will be applied to achieve real impact and to suffer no material administration costs.

Consistent with such policies, at the end of the reporting period The Wrentham Trust was committed to providing continuing funding for the studentships which it has sponsored at University College London and has since that date made a significant donation to the Francis Crick Institute towards the core costs of a 4-year PhD research studentship supporting Cancer Research UK.

Authorised by the trustees of The Wrentham Trust and signed on their behalf on 26 November 2024 by:



**Bernd Ratzke**

Trustee

**Report of the Trustees and  
Unaudited Financial Statements  
for the Year Ended 5 April 2024**

for

**The Wrentham Trust**

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## The Wrentham Trust

### Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 5 April 2024

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 5 April 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

#### OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

##### Objectives and structure

The Wrentham Trust was established by Bernd and Karen Jane Ratzke pursuant to a Charitable Trust Deed dated 11 September 1990 as an unincorporated association with general charitable purposes. It seeks to benefit persons from disadvantaged or other challenging backgrounds, particularly children or young adults. It works primarily through other charities or institutions which have the resources, skills and knowledge to provide impactful assistance through teaching, education or other learning opportunities.

The Wrentham Trust is also able to make direct grants to individuals for charitable purposes. The trustees seek to apply The Wrentham Trust's resources in a way which produces public benefit for as wide a cross-section of the community as is achievable whilst retaining measurable impact. The trustees are mindful in this regard of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

#### ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

##### Operations in the year

The Wrentham Trust has primarily focused on assisting young people with their education or studies, providing studentships at post-graduate, graduate and sixth-form level at University College London, Imperial College London and Epsom College.

The trustees have monitored the impact of their support with the educational establishments concerned. The feedback received consistently points to The Wrentham Trust's support being impactful and of considerable assistance to young people who without the direct or indirect support provided would have no or fewer opportunities to grow their academic or personal skills. Financial support provided by The Wrentham Trust in the education sector accounted for 86% of all funding provided and all of such grants were paid to organisations which themselves are registered charities.

Outside its primary sphere of operations The Wrentham Trust has supported an appeal to raise funds for medical facilities at a children's hospital located in Ukraine, provided a grant to a learning-support charity, has maintained and extended its support of the educational outreach activities of the Guildford Shakespeare Company and has supported other smaller but equally valuable causes.

#### FINANCIAL REVIEW

##### Financial Review

The Wrentham Trust is supported by its trustees and their close friends or connections through donations, and by legacies from former clients. It has not sought to raise funds from other sources.

##### Investment policy and objectives

All funds are held in cash by way of bank deposits and amounted to £3,574,979 at the end of the reporting period.

##### Reserves policy

None of the funds held by The Wrentham Trust are restricted (i.e., not available for the general purposes of the charity at the end of the reporting period). It is not thought necessary therefore to set any funds aside at the end of the reporting period to provide reserves. The trustees are careful to consider commitments made prior to the year end and will ensure sufficient resources are available.

#### PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

At the end of the reporting period The Wrentham Trust was committed to providing continuing funding for the studentships which it has sponsored at University College London, had a forward commitment until early 2027 to the Guildford Shakespeare Company and was in discussions with the Francis Crick Institute in London to provide funding for a 4-year PhD Studentship (since agreed).

Whilst looking to provide wide public benefit, the trustees will favour supporting charities and institutions of which they have direct experience or other personal knowledge. The Wrentham Trust's Grant Making Policy requires the trustees in each case to be confident that such grants as are provided will be applied to achieve real impact and to suffer no material administration costs.

## The Wrentham Trust

### Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 5 April 2024

#### STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

##### Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

##### Charity constitution

The Wrentham Trust is governed by five trustees, appointed by the founders or by co-option of the trustee body. The trustees at the end of the reporting period and at the date of this report were Andrew Kisiel, Brigitte Kisiel, Timothy Kisiel, Bernd Ratzke and Karen Ratzke. The trustees meet (physically or digitally) as often as is required to make decisions which affect the actual or planned operations of The Wrentham Trust, and minute their decisions. They have adopted a formal Grant Making Policy to support their decision making.

The Wrentham Trust has no employees and none of the trustees received any expenses or remuneration in connection with their role as trustees. All the trustees are qualified professionals (lawyers, engineers or teachers) or have significant experience in running successful businesses. Where appropriate, they have sought and have received professional advice and guidance on their responsibilities as trustees.

##### Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

The trustees consider that a catastrophic failure of the banking system is the only significant financial risk to which The Wrentham Trust is exposed and that if such event were to happen it is highly likely that all the major clearing banks would be adversely affected.

#### REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

##### Registered Charity number

1000440

##### Principal address

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##### Trustees

B Ratzke  
K J Ratzke  
Dr A J Kisiel  
B M Kisiel  
T B Kisiel

##### Independent Examiner

Nicholas Boot FCA  
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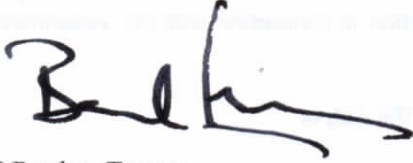
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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Bankers

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 22 November 2024 and signed on its behalf by:



B Ratzke - Trustee



2024/11/22

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of  
The Wrentham Trust**

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Wrentham Trust**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Wrentham Trust (the Trust) for the year ended 5 April 2024.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

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

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

**Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by Section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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



Nicholas Boot FCA

Bullimores LLP  
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Date: 26/11/2024

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Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended 5 April 2024

	Notes	5.4.24 Unrestricted fund £	5.4.23 Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>			
Donations and legacies		-	2,688
Investment income	2	54,997	16,097
<b>Total</b>		<u>54,997</u>	<u>18,785</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>			
<b>Charitable activities</b>			
Charitable Donations		156,537	143,850
Other	4	2,160	1,620
<b>Total</b>		<u>158,697</u>	<u>145,470</u>
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>		(103,700)	(126,685)
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>			
Total funds brought forward		3,676,519	3,803,204
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<u><u>3,572,819</u></u>	<u><u>3,676,519</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

The Wrentham Trust

Balance Sheet

5 April 2024

	Notes	5.4.24 Unrestricted fund £	5.4.23 Total funds £
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Debtors	6	-	38
Cash at bank		3,574,979	3,678,101
		<u>3,574,979</u>	<u>3,678,139</u>
<b>CREDITORS</b>			
Amounts falling due within one year	7	(2,160)	(1,620)
		<u>3,572,819</u>	<u>3,676,519</u>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
		<u>3,572,819</u>	<u>3,676,519</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
		<u>3,572,819</u>	<u>3,676,519</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>			
		<u>3,572,819</u>	<u>3,676,519</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>			
Unrestricted funds	8	<u>3,572,819</u>	<u>3,676,519</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>			
		<u>3,572,819</u>	<u>3,676,519</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 22 November 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:



B Ratzke - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

## The Wrentham Trust

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 5 April 2024

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

##### **Basis of preparing the financial statements**

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

##### **Financial reporting standard 102 - reduced disclosure exemptions**

The charity has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemption in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland':

- the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows.

##### **Income**

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

##### **Expenditure**

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

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

##### **Taxation**

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

##### **Fund accounting**

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

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

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

##### **Debtors**

Debtors are amounts owed to the charity. They are recognised at the measure of the basis of their recoverable amount.

Amounts which are owed to the charity in more than a year are shown as amounts falling due after more than one year.

##### **Cash at bank**

Cash at bank is held to meet day to day running costs of the charity as they fall due.

##### **Creditors: amounts falling due within one year**

Creditors are amounts owed by the charity. They are measured at the amount that the charity expects to have to pay to settle a debt.

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 5 April 2024

2. INVESTMENT INCOME

	5.4.24	5.4.23
	£	£
Deposit account interest	54,997	16,097
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>

3. GRANTS PAYABLE

	5.4.24	5.4.23
	£	£
Charitable Donations	156,537	143,850
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>

Grants of £156,537 were made in the year (£143,850 for the year ended 5 April 2023). All grants in the year were made for the benefit of institutions, with none made to individuals. This was also the case in the year ended 5 April 2023.

As a charitable trust registered in England and Wales, the charity has taken advantage of the disclosure exemption not to provide the names of grant recipients and the amounts of such grants, during the lifetime of the settlor who donated the funds from which the grants are paid.

4. OTHER

	5.4.24	5.4.23
	£	£
Support costs	2,160	1,620
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 5 April 2024 nor for the year ended 5 April 2023.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 5 April 2024 nor for the year ended 5 April 2023.

6. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	5.4.24	5.4.23
	£	£
Other debtors	-	38
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 5 April 2024

7. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	5.4.24	5.4.23
	£	£
Other creditors	<u>2,160</u>	<u>1,620</u>

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 6.4.23	Net movement in funds	At 5.4.24
	£	£	£
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	3,676,519	(103,700)	3,572,819
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>3,676,519</u>	<u>(103,700)</u>	<u>3,572,819</u>

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

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	54,997	(158,697)	(103,700)
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>54,997</u>	<u>(158,697)</u>	<u>(103,700)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 6.4.22	Net movement in funds	At 5.4.23
	£	£	£
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	3,803,204	(126,685)	3,676,519
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>3,803,204</u>	<u>(126,685)</u>	<u>3,676,519</u>

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

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	18,785	(145,470)	(126,685)
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>18,785</u>	<u>(145,470)</u>	<u>(126,685)</u>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 5 April 2024**

**9. OTHER FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS**

The Wrentham Trust committed to provide studentship funding of up to £400,000 at University College London on 9 March 2021. It was anticipated that the funding would be made annually over the next 4 financial years, commencing in 2021; and during the year to 5 April 2023 a donation was made of £100,000. There are performance conditions related to the provision of funding and as such no provision has been made in the financial statements for the funding amounts for the next 2 years.

After 5 April 2023 it was agreed that the annual funding amount be increased from £100,000 to £108,000 for each of the 2 years ending 5 April 2024 and 2025 respectively, again subject to performance conditions.

A commitment was made on 11 April 2024 to provide The Francis Crick Institute with a grant of £150,000 by the end of September 2024 to fund a 4-year PhD research studentship. Such grant has been paid.

**10. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**

A £10,000 grant was paid in the year to a learning-support registered charity, 'Transforming Lives for Good' (TLG), for which one of the trustees is an unpaid volunteer. There were no amounts outstanding between TLG and The Wrentham Trust at 5 April 2024. Donations were made in the year to other charities of similar amounts.

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended 5 April 2024

	5.4.24 £	5.4.23 £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</b>		
<b>Donations and legacies</b>		
Donations	-	2,650
Gift aid	-	38
	<u>-</u>	<u>2,688</u>
<b>Investment income</b>		
Deposit account interest	54,997	16,097
	<u>54,997</u>	<u>16,097</u>
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<b>54,997</b>	<b>18,785</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
Grants to institutions	156,537	143,850
<b>Support costs</b>		
<b>Governance costs</b>		
Accountancy Fees	2,160	1,620
	<u>2,160</u>	<u>1,620</u>
Total resources expended	158,697	145,470
	<u>158,697</u>	<u>145,470</u>
<b>Net expenditure</b>	<b>(103,700)</b>	<b>(126,685)</b>
	<u><u>(103,700)</u></u>	<u><u>(126,685)</u></u>

This page does not form part of the statutory financial statements

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