

Charity registration number 1045650 (England and Wales)

**THE LYONS CHARITABLE TRUST**  
**ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025**

# THE LYONS CHARITABLE TRUST

## LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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<b>Trustees</b>	Mr Jonathan Gibbon Mr Gareth Read Mrs Sarah Eaves
<b>Charity number</b>	1045650
<b>Principal address</b>	51 Sherlock Road London NW3 2HR
<b>Independent examiner</b>	Mr J Saminaden FMAAT 9 Kennedy Avenue Enfield Middlesex EN3 4PA
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<b>Investment managers</b>	Investec Wealth & Investment 30 Gresham Street London EC2V 7QN

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# THE LYONS CHARITABLE TRUST

## TRUSTEES' REPORT

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025**

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The Trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 5 April 2025.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the Charity's Declaration of Trust, the Charities Act 2011 (amended 2022) 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 (FRS 102)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016)

### **Objectives and activities**

In planning our activities for the year, we kept in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. The object of the Foundation is to make grants to organisations focussing upon medical research, the homeless and education. The Trustees have decided that the most effective method of applying the Foundation's resources is to make distributions to known charitable organisations.

The trustees have periodic discussions and meetings during which details of grants awarded are reviewed in addition to the processing of new applications for funding.

### **Achievements and performance**

During the year the Foundation conferred twelve grants totalling £811,000 (2024: £73,000).

### **Financial review**

The general policy of the Foundation is for the capital fund to be maintained at a level that will generate future income sufficient to maintain a broadly constant level of financial support to its preferred beneficiaries. The unrestricted funds as at 5 April 2025 were £1,533,173 (2024: £2,330,528).

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the Foundation is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

### **Structure, governance and management**

The Charity is governed by a Declaration of Trust dated 2 March 1995 and a Deed of Enlargement dated 24 December 2018.

The Trustees who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

Mr Jonathan Gibbon

Mr Gareth Read

Mr Robin Worby

Mrs Sarah Eaves

(Resigned 5 August 2024)

# THE LYONS CHARITABLE TRUST

## TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025

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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).

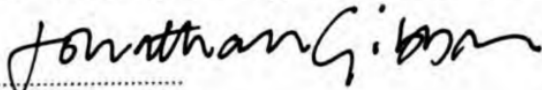
The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the Charity for that year.

In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

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

The Trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.



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Mr Jonathan Gibbon  
Trustee

Date: 03/2/26 .....

# THE LYONS CHARITABLE TRUST

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

### TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE LYONS CHARITABLE TRUST

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I report to the Trustees on my examination of the financial statements of The Lyons Charitable Trust (the Charity) for the year ended 5 April 2025.

#### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act 2011.

#### **Independent examiner's statement**

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared the financial statements in accordance with the relevant version of the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has now been withdrawn. I understand that this has been done in order for the financial statements to provide a true and fair view in accordance with UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no 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 Charity as required by section 130 of the Charities Act 2011.
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of financial statements set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the financial statements give a true and fair view, which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

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Mr J Saminaden FMAAT  
9 Kennedy Avenue  
Enfield  
Middlesex  
EN3 4PA

Dated: .04.Feb.2026...

# THE LYONS CHARITABLE TRUST

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025

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	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
<b>Income from:</b>			
Investments	2	66,633	61,578
<b>Total income</b>		<u>66,633</u>	<u>61,578</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>			
Raising funds	3	17,799	20,459
Charitable activities	4	816,706	78,291
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<u>834,505</u>	<u>98,750</u>
Net gains/(losses) on investments	8	<u>(29,483)</u>	<u>124,697</u>
<b>Net income/(expenditure) and movement in funds</b>		<u>(797,355)</u>	<u>87,525</u>
<b>Reconciliation of funds:</b>			
Fund balances at 6 April 2024		<u>2,330,528</u>	<u>2,243,003</u>
<b>Fund balances at 5 April 2025</b>		<u>1,533,173</u>	<u>2,330,528</u>

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

# THE LYONS CHARITABLE TRUST

## BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 5 APRIL 2025

	Notes	2025		2024	
		£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Investments	11		1,515,214		2,308,632
<b>Current assets</b>					
Debtors	12	665		-	
Cash at bank and in hand		22,057		23,990	
Cash with investment managers		4,167		7,958	
			26,889		31,948
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	13	(8,930)		(10,052)	
Net current assets			17,959		21,896
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			1,533,173		2,330,528
<b>Income funds</b>					
Unrestricted funds			1,533,173		2,330,528
			1,533,173		2,330,528

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 03/02/26

  
 Mr Jonathan Gibbon  
 Trustee

# THE LYONS CHARITABLE TRUST

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025**

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### 1 Accounting policies

#### Charity information

The Lyons Charitable Trust is an unincorporated charity whose principal address is 51 Sherlock Road, London, NW3 2HR.

#### 1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charity's Declaration of Trust, 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 (FRS 102)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016). The Charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The Charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements 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 the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102 rather than the version of the Statement of Recommended Practice which is referred to in the Regulations but which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the Charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include fixed asset investments at fair value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

#### 1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

#### 1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives unless the funds have been designated for other purposes.

#### 1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the Charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the Charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the Charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

# THE LYONS CHARITABLE TRUST

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025**

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### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

All gains and losses are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities as they arise. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between sales proceeds and their opening carrying value or their purchase value if acquired subsequent to the first day of the financial year. Unrealised gains and losses are calculated as the difference between the fair value at the year end and their carrying value. Realised and unrealised investment gains and losses are combined in the Statement of Financial Activities.

#### 1.5 Expenditure

Resources expended are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis, inclusive of any VAT which cannot be recovered. They are recognised when there is a legal or constructive obligation to pay for expenditure.

Grants and donations payable are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period in which they have been approved and committed.

Governance costs represent those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity.

#### 1.6 Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments are initially measured at transaction price excluding transaction costs, and are subsequently measured at fair value at each reporting date. Changes in fair value are recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred.

#### 1.7 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

#### 1.8 Financial instruments

The Charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the Charity's balance sheet when the Charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

##### **Basic financial assets**

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

# THE LYONS CHARITABLE TRUST

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025

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### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

#### **Basic financial liabilities**

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

#### **Derecognition of financial liabilities**

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the Charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

### 2 Income from investments

	<b>Unrestricted funds 2025 £</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds 2024 £</b>
Income from listed investments	66,271	61,363
Interest receivable	362	215
	<u>66,633</u>	<u>61,578</u>

# THE LYONS CHARITABLE TRUST

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025

### 3 Raising funds

	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	Unrestricted funds
	<b>2025</b>	2024
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Investment management	17,799	20,459
	<u>17,799</u>	<u>20,459</u>

### 4 Charitable activities

	<b>Charitable activities</b>	Charitable activities
	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Grant funding of activities (see note 5)	811,000	73,000
Governance costs (see note 7)	5,706	5,291
	<u>816,706</u>	<u>78,291</u>

### 5 Grants payable

	<b>Charitable activities</b>	Charitable activities
	<b>2025</b>	2024
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Grants to institutions (12 grants):		
MIND	5,000	5,000
Foodcycle	5,000	5,000
Trussell Trust	5,000	5,000
Alzheimer's Research	750,000	10,000
Shelter	5,000	5,000
One25	5,000	-
Versus Arthritis	10,000	10,000
Healthcare Workers	-	3,000
Curwen Print Study Centre	3,000	3,000
Headway	5,000	-
Macmillan Cancer Support	10,000	10,000
Camerons Companions	-	3,000
Children In Need	5,000	5,000
Calm	3,000	3,000
Road Peace	-	3,000
South London Refugee Centre	-	3,000
	<u>811,000</u>	<u>73,000</u>

# THE LYONS CHARITABLE TRUST

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025

### 6 Trustees

None of the Trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the Charity during the year except as disclosed in note 16.

### 7 Support and governance costs

	Support costs	Governance costs	2025 Support costs	Governance costs	2024
	£	£	£	£	£
Administration fees	-	4,937	4,937	-	4,530
Accountancy and Independent Examiner's fees	-	675	675	-	675
Bank charges	-	4	4	-	3
Profit on foreign exchange	-	90	90	-	83
	<u>-</u>	<u>5,706</u>	<u>5,706</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,291</u>
Analysed between Charitable activities	-	5,706	5,706	-	5,291

### 8 Gains and losses on investments

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2025	2024
	£	£
Gains/(losses) arising on:		
Revaluation of investments and disposals	(29,483)	124,697

### 9 Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects.

### 10 Employees

There were no employees during the year.

# THE LYONS CHARITABLE TRUST

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025

### 11 Fixed asset investments

	<b>Listed investments £</b>
<b>Cost or valuation</b>	
At 6 April 2024	2,308,632
Additions	230,607
Valuation changes	(39,763)
Disposals	(984,262)
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At 5 April 2025	1,515,214
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<b>Carrying amount</b>	
At 05 April 2025	1,515,214
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At 05 April 2024	2,308,632
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The historic cost of the investments at 5 April 2025 was £1,281,234 (2024: £2,021,964).

### 12 Debtors

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Amounts falling due within one year:</b>		
Other debtors	665	-
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### 13 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Accruals and deferred income	8,930	10,052
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# THE LYONS CHARITABLE TRUST

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025

#### 14 Unrestricted funds

The unrestricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants which are not subject to specific conditions by donors and grantors as to how they may be used. These include designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes.

	At 6 April 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	At 5 April 2025 £
General funds	2,330,528	66,633	(834,505)	(29,483)	1,533,173
	<u>2,330,528</u>	<u>66,633</u>	<u>(834,505)</u>	<u>(29,483)</u>	<u>1,533,173</u>
<b>Previous year:</b>	<b>At 6 April 2023 £</b>	<b>Incoming resources £</b>	<b>Resources expended £</b>	<b>Gains and losses £</b>	<b>At 5 April 2024 £</b>
General funds	2,243,003	61,578	(98,750)	124,697	2,330,528
	<u>2,243,003</u>	<u>61,578</u>	<u>(98,750)</u>	<u>124,697</u>	<u>2,330,528</u>

#### 15 Analysis of net assets between funds

	<b>Unrestricted funds 2025 £</b>
<b>At 5 April 2025:</b>	
Investments	1,515,214
Current assets/(liabilities)	17,959
	<u>1,533,173</u>
	<u>1,533,173</u>
	<b>Unrestricted funds 2024 £</b>
<b>At 5 April 2024:</b>	
Investments	2,308,632
Current assets/(liabilities)	21,896
	<u>2,330,528</u>
	<u>2,330,528</u>

#### 16 Related party transactions

During the year the Charity became liable to pay sums to Moore Northern Home Counties Limited relating to accountancy services of £4,937 (2024: £4,530).