

THE ORATORY SCHOOLS FOUNDATION

UNAUDITED

TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

Trustees

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F Fitzherbert-Brockholes, Chairman
J J Smith (resigned 1 November 2023)
K Carberry-Long (appointed 1 November 2023)

Charity registered number

1071495

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TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of The Oratory Schools Foundation for the 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024. The Trustees confirm that the Annual Report and financial statements of the Foundation comply with the current statutory requirements, the requirements of the Foundation's governing document and the provisions of the Charities SORP 2019 (FRS 102) and Charities Act 2011.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The objects of the Foundation are to advance the education of pupils of The Oratory School by providing or assisting in the provision of facilities not normally provided by the school. The Trustees have paid due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit in considering the aims and objectives of the Foundation. To date this has involved assistance in the payment of fees to pupils in necessitous circumstances, provision of bursaries and scholarships and other grants to the schools. During the past year the Foundation has funded two scholarships.

INVESTMENT POLICY

The investment policy of the Foundation is to look for capital gains over time with a medium level of risk, balanced with the need to produce sufficient annual income. The control over the investments is at the discretion of the Trustees with the advice of the investment managers.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Foundation is reliant on the income from its investments, which was £22,963 (2023: £21,049) in the year under review, and on the annual payment of £2,000 (2023: £2,500) from the 200 Club, which was set up for this purpose. Contributions towards school fees and other grants amounted to £14,953 (2023: £14,509).

The Foundation also receives interest on a £200,000 loan it made to The Oratory Schools Association (see Note 10 and Note 17).

RESERVES POLICY

The reserves policy of the Foundation is based on the Trustees' consideration of its objectives and the probability of its investment portfolio generating an income stream from which awards can be made and its commitments be met. The Trustees consider the level of reserves to be appropriate.

The Foundation has unrestricted funds of £705,885 (2023: £680,623) at the year end of which £436,778 (2023: £435,900) relates to investments. This leaves £269,107 (2023: £244,722) in respect of net current assets.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

CONSTITUTION

The Oratory Schools Foundation is a registered charity, number 1071495, and is constituted under a Trust Deed dated 22 November 1971 and amended on 14 August 1998.

METHODS OF APPOINTMENT OR ELECTION OF TRUSTEES

The Deed calls for a minimum of two and a maximum of four Trustees; the continuing Trustees appoint new Trustees, when necessary, from persons with a connection to the school who are considered to have appropriate experience. Trustees are selected for the skills and experience that they are able to contribute, relevant guidance relating to Trustees responsibilities is provided on appointment.

RISK MANAGEMENT

The Foundation's Trustees have considered the major risks to which it is exposed and have reviewed those risks and established systems and procedures to manage those risks. The Trustees consider variability of investment returns on the Fund investments to constitute the Foundation's major risk.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



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F Fitzherbert-Brockholes

Chairman

Date: 26 March 2025

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of The Oratory Schools Foundation ('the Charity')

I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 30 June 2024.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

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

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

Independent Examiner's Statement

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 2011 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.

This report is made solely to the Charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charity and the Charity's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

Signed: 

Darren O'Connor

Dated: 22 April 2025

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
Income from:				
Donations and legacies	2	795	795	650
Other trading activities	3	2,000	2,000	2,500
Investments	4	22,963	22,963	21,049
Total income		25,758	25,758	24,199
Expenditure on:				
Raising funds	5	5,336	5,336	5,940
Charitable activities	6	14,953	14,953	14,509
Total expenditure		20,289	20,289	20,449
Net income before net gains on investments		5,469	5,469	3,750
Net gains on investments		19,794	19,794	13,086
Net movement in funds		25,263	25,263	16,836
Reconciliation of funds:				
Total funds brought forward		680,622	680,622	663,786
Total funds carried forward		705,885	705,885	680,622

All activities relate to continuing operations.

The notes on pages 8 to 15 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 30 JUNE 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
Fixed assets			
Investments	9	436,778	435,900
		<u>436,778</u>	<u>435,900</u>
Current assets			
Debtors	10	203,326	200,000
Cash at bank and in hand		68,781	45,068
		<u>272,107</u>	<u>245,068</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11	(3,000)	(346)
Net current assets		<u>269,107</u>	<u>244,722</u>
Total net assets		<u><u>705,885</u></u>	<u><u>680,622</u></u>
Charity funds			
Unrestricted funds	12	705,885	680,622
Total funds		<u><u>705,885</u></u>	<u><u>680,622</u></u>

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



F Fitzherbert-Brockholes
Chairman

Date: 26 March 2025

The notes on pages 8 to 15 form part of these financial statements.

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**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024**

	2024	2023
	£	£
Cash flows from operating activities		
Net cash used in operating activities	(18,166)	(15,062)
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Cash flows from investing activities		
Dividends, interests and rents from investments	22,963	21,049
Proceeds from sale of investments	74,880	31,235
Purchase of investments	(55,964)	(28,131)
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Net cash provided by investing activities	41,879	24,153
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Cash flows from financing activities		
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year	23,713	9,091
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	45,068	35,977
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Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	68,781	45,068
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The notes on pages 8 to 15 form part of these financial statements

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

1. Accounting policies

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements 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), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The Oratory Schools Foundation meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

1.2 Going concern

The Trustees are of the view that The Oratory Schools Foundation has sufficient funds to enable it to continue its activities on a going concern basis for a period of at least 12 months from the date of approval of these financial statements. The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

1.3 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Investment income, gains and losses are allocated to the appropriate fund.

1.4 Income

All income is recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

Income tax recoverable in relation to investment income is recognised at the time the investment income is receivable.

1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, 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 classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Costs of generating funds are costs incurred in attracting voluntary income, and those incurred in trading activities that raise funds.

Expenditure on charitable activities is incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the Charity's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

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1. Accounting policies (continued)

1.5 Expenditure (continued)

Grants payable are charged in the year when the offer is made except in those cases where the offer is conditional, such grants being recognised as expenditure when the conditions attaching are fulfilled. Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end are noted as a commitment, but not accrued as expenditure.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

1.6 Investments

Fixed asset investments are a form of financial instrument and are initially recognised at their transaction cost and subsequently measured at fair value at the Balance sheet date, unless the value cannot be measured reliably in which case it is measured at cost less impairment. Investment gains and losses, whether realised or unrealised, are combined and presented as 'Gains/(Losses) on investments' in the Statement of financial activities.

1.7 Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the Charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the institution with whom the funds are deposited.

1.8 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

1.9 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short-term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

1.10 Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the Charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

1.11 Financial instruments

The Charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

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2. Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
Donations	795	795	650
Total 2023	650	650	

3. Activities from generating funds

Income from fundraising events

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
Proceeds from 200 club	2,000	2,000	2,500
Total 2023	2,500	2,500	

4. Investment income

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
Dividends from listed investments	15,187	15,187	15,612
Interest	7,776	7,776	5,437
	22,963	22,963	21,049
Total 2023	21,049	21,049	

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5. Expenditure on raising funds

Fundraising trading expenses

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
Bank charges	60	60	63
Brokers fees	5,276	5,276	5,877
	<u>5,336</u>	<u>5,336</u>	<u>5,940</u>
Total 2023	<u>5,940</u>	<u>5,940</u>	

6. Analysis of grants

	Grants to Individuals 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
Grants payable	14,953	14,953	14,509
Total 2023	<u>14,509</u>	<u>14,509</u>	

7. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits (2023 - £NIL).

The Trustees are entitled to reimbursement of their reasonable expenses incurred in connection with the business of the Foundation. No Trustee claimed reimbursement for expenses in 2024 (2023 - £NIL).

8. Independent examiner fees

The Independent Examiner's remuneration amounts to a fee of £2,825 (2023: £2,750).

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9. Fixed asset investments

	Listed securities £
Cost or valuation	
At 1 July 2023	435,900
Additions	55,964
Disposals	(74,880)
Revaluations	19,794
At 30 June 2024	<u>436,778</u>

Investments at market value comprise:

	UK £	Overseas £	2024 £	2023 £
Listed investments	<u>204,228</u>	<u>232,550</u>	<u>436,778</u>	<u>435,900</u>

10. Debtors

	2024 £	2023 £
Due after more than one year		
Amounts owed by The Oratory Schools Association	200,000	200,000
	<u>200,000</u>	<u>200,000</u>
Due within one year		
Amount due from brokers	3,326	-
	<u>3,326</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>203,326</u>	<u>200,000</u>

A loan of £200,000 (2023: £200,000) was made to The Oratory Schools Association. The loan is unsecured and the interest rate is 4% per annum from 31 October 2024 until and including 31 December 2024 and thereafter. Prior to 31 October 2024 the interest rate was 2.5%. All or part of the principal amount of the Loan may be repaid at any time but no less than half the then outstanding principal amount of the Loan shall be repaid on 31 December 2026 and the entire outstanding principal amount shall be repaid on 31 December 2028.

11. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2024 £	2023 £
Other creditors	3,000	346
	<u>3,000</u>	<u>346</u>

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12. Statement of funds

Statement of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 July 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 30 June 2024 £
Unrestricted funds					
General Funds - all funds	680,622	25,758	(20,289)	19,794	705,885

Statement of funds - prior year

	Balance at 1 July 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 30 June 2023 £
Unrestricted funds					
General Funds - all funds	663,786	24,199	(20,449)	13,086	680,622

13. Analysis of net assets between funds

Analysis of net assets between funds - current period

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £
Fixed asset investments	436,778	436,778
Debtors due after more than one year	200,000	200,000
Current assets	72,107	72,107
Creditors due within one year	(3,000)	(3,000)
Total	705,885	705,885

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13. Analysis of net assets between funds (continued)

Analysis of net assets between funds - prior period

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £
Fixed asset investments	435,900	435,900
Debtors due after more than one year	200,000	200,000
Current assets	45,068	45,068
Creditors due within one year	(346)	(346)
	680,622	680,622
Total	680,622	680,622

14. Reconciliation of net movement in funds to net cash flow from operating activities

	2024 £	2023 £
Net income for the period (as per Statement of Financial Activities)	25,263	16,836
Adjustments for:		
Losses on investments	(19,794)	(13,086)
Dividends, interests and rents from investments	(22,963)	(21,049)
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	(3,326)	1,889
Increase in creditors	2,654	346
	(18,166)	(15,064)
Net cash used in operating activities	(18,166)	(15,064)

15. Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

	2024 £	2023 £
Cash in hand	68,781	45,068
	68,781	45,068
Total cash and cash equivalents	68,781	45,068

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16. Analysis of changes in net debt

	At 1 July 2023	Cash flows	At 30 June 2024
	£	£	£
Cash at bank and in hand	45,068	23,713	68,781
	<u>45,068</u>	<u>23,713</u>	<u>68,781</u>

17. Related party transactions

The Independent Examination fees of £2,825 (2023: £2,750) for the Foundation were paid by The Oratory Schools Association.

At the year end there was a balance of £200,000 (2023: £200,000) owed by The Oratory Schools Association. During the year, interest of £7,000 (2023: £5,000) was received in respect of the loan.

18. Controlling party

The charity is controlled by the Trustees.