

Charity registration number 310492 (England and Wales)

NORTHGATE FOUNDATION
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

NORTHGATE FOUNDATION

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 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 governing document, the Charities Act 2011, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and the Charities SORP "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)".

Objectives and activities

The objects of the charity are to promote the education of persons under the age of 25 who are in need of financial assistance and are resident in or attend or have attended a community, voluntary or foundation school in Suffolk.

The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

The trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's aims and objectives, when planning future activities and when setting the grant making policy for the year.

The objects of the charity are to promote the education of persons under the age of 25 who are in need of financial assistance and are resident in or attend or have attended a community, voluntary or foundation school in the area of benefit in particular but without limitation through the provision of:

- Grants tenable at any school, university, college or education, or other institution of further education (including professional or technical); or
- Equipment or books to assist such persons to pursue their education (including the study of music and other arts, sport, social and physical education), to undertake travel in furtherance thereof, or to prepare for or enter a profession, trade, occupation or service on leaving school, university or other educational establishment; or
- such items and services or special benefits for which provision is not made from public funds for any community, voluntary or foundation school in the area of benefit.

Public benefit

The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

Financial review

Reserves policy

It is the policy of the charity that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to between three and six month's expenditure. The trustees consider that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the charity's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised. This level of reserves has been maintained throughout the year.

Structure, governance and management

The charity is constituted as an unincorporated charity and is registered with the Charity Commission in the United Kingdom. The charity was established by a charitable trust deed on 23 April 1968 and is governed by a scheme of the Charity Commission dated 20 December 2004 as amended by a resolution dated 9 May 2012.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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

A Gillespie
J Riley
J Norman
D Bevan
A Rae
C Debman
D Richards
S Adams

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

The Board consists of 2 Nominated Trustees and 4 Co-opted Trustees. The Trustees of the Northgate Foundation and responsible for the appointment of the Co-opted Trustees.

The Trustees listed below were appointed by the following bodies:

A Rae	Ipswich Borough Council
D Richards	Suffolk County Council
S Adams	Suffolk County Council

None of the trustees has any beneficial interest in the company. All of the trustees are members of the company and guarantee to contribute £1 in the event of a winding up.

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

J Riley
Trustee

5 December 2025

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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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.

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF NORTHGATE FOUNDATION

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Northgate Foundation (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 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.

Staines and Co

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8 December 2025

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

Current financial year		Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Endowment funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
	Notes					
Income from:						
Donations and legacies	3	-	-	-	-	18,177
Investments	4	28,818	-	-	28,818	27,237
Total income		28,818	-	-	28,818	45,414
Expenditure on:						
Charitable activities	5	30,491	-	-	30,491	42,043
Total expenditure		30,491	-	-	30,491	42,043
Net gains/(losses) on investments	9	(47,438)	-	-	(47,438)	84,512
Net income/(expenditure) and movement in funds		(49,111)	-	-	(49,111)	87,883
Reconciliation of funds:						
Fund balances at 1 April 2024		466,131	11,389	664,742	1,142,262	1,054,379
Fund balances at 31 March 2025		417,020	11,389	664,742	1,093,151	1,142,262

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

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED) INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

Prior financial year		Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Endowment funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
	Notes				
Income from:					
Donations and legacies	3	18,177	-	-	18,177
Investments	4	27,237	-	-	27,237
Total income		45,414	-	-	45,414
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	5	42,043	-	-	42,043
Total expenditure		42,043	-	-	42,043
Net gains/(losses) on investments	9	84,512	-	-	84,512
Net income and movement in funds		87,883	-	-	87,883
Reconciliation of funds:					
Fund balances at 1 April 2023		378,248	11,389	664,742	1,054,379
Fund balances at 31 March 2024		466,131	11,389	664,742	1,142,262

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

		2025		2024	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Investments	11		970,724		1,018,162
Current assets					
Debtors	12	193		187	
Cash at bank and in hand		123,314		124,993	
		<u>123,507</u>		<u>125,180</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	13	<u>(1,080)</u>		<u>(1,080)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>122,427</u>		<u>124,100</u>
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>1,093,151</u>		<u>1,142,262</u>
The funds of the charity					
Endowment funds	14		664,742		664,742
Restricted income funds	15		11,389		11,389
Unrestricted funds	16		417,020		466,131
			<u>1,093,151</u>		<u>1,142,262</u>

The financial statements were approved by the trustees on 5 December 2025

J Riley
Trustee

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Northgate Foundation is constituted as unincorporated charity and is registered with the Charity Commission in the United Kingdom.

1.1 Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and the Charities SORP "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)". 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 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 the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments 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.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors or grantors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Endowment funds are subject to specific conditions by donors that the capital must be maintained by the charity.

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.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

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. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges are allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Computers	4 years straight line basis
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The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

1.7 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.

1.8 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.

1.9 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.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

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.

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.

1.10 Employee benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

3 Income from Ipswich School

	Total	Unrestricted funds
	2025	2024
	£	£
Income from Ipswich School	-	18,177

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4 Income from investments

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Dividends received	27,691	27,148
Interest receivable	1,127	89
	<u>28,818</u>	<u>27,237</u>

5 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Charitable activities 2025 £	Charitable activities 2024 £
Direct costs		
Staff costs	810	754
Grant funding of activities (see note 6)	26,234	38,077
Share of support and governance costs (see note)		
Support	3,447	3,212
	<u>30,491</u>	<u>42,043</u>
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	<u>30,491</u>	<u>42,043</u>

6 Grants payable

	Charitable activities 2025 £	Charitable activities 2024 £
Grants to institutions:		
Other	26,234	38,077
	<u>26,234</u>	<u>38,077</u>

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7 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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8 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2025 Number	2024 Number
	1	1

Employment costs

	2025 £	2024 £
Wages and salaries	810	754

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was more than £60,000.

9 Gains and losses on investments

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Gains/(losses) arising on:		
Revaluation of investments	(47,438)	84,512

10 Taxation

The charity is exempt from taxation on its activities because all its income is applied for charitable purposes.

11 Fixed asset investments

	Unlisted investments £
Cost or valuation At 1 April 2024 & 31 March 2025	1,018,162
Carrying amount At 31 March 2025	1,018,162
At 31 March 2024	1,018,162

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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12 Debtors

	2025	2024
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Prepayments and accrued income	193	187
	<u>193</u>	<u>187</u>

13 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	1,080	1,080
	<u>1,080</u>	<u>1,080</u>

14 Endowment funds

Endowment funds represent assets which must be held permanently by the charity. Income arising on the endowment funds can be used in accordance with the objects of the charity and is included as unrestricted income. Any capital gains or losses arising on the assets form part of the fund.

	At 1 April 2024	At 31 March 2025
	£	£
Permanent endowments	664,742	664,742
	<u>664,742</u>	<u>664,742</u>
Previous year:	At 1 April 2023	At 31 March 2024
	£	£
Permanent endowments	664,742	664,742
	<u>664,742</u>	<u>664,742</u>

15 Restricted funds

The restricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used.

	At 1 April 2024	At 31 March 2025
	£	£
	11,389	11,389
	<u>11,389</u>	<u>11,389</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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15 Restricted funds (Continued)

Previous year:	At 1 April 2023	At 31 March 2024
	£	£
	11,389	11,389
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

16 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 1 April 2024	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Gains and losses	At 31 March 2025
	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	466,131	28,818	(30,491)	(47,438)	417,020
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

Previous year:	At 1 April 2023	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Gains and losses	At 31 March 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	378,248	45,414	(42,043)	84,512	466,131
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

17 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2025	Restricted funds 2025	Endowment funds 2025	Total 2025
	£	£	£	£
At 31 March 2025:				
Investments	294,593	11,389	664,742	970,724
Current assets/(liabilities)	122,427	-	-	122,427
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	417,020	11,389	664,742	1,093,151
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

	Unrestricted funds 2024	Restricted funds 2024	Endowment funds 2024	Total 2024
	£	£	£	£
At 31 March 2024:				
Investments	342,031	11,389	664,742	1,018,162
Current assets/(liabilities)	124,100	-	-	124,100
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	466,131	11,389	664,742	1,142,262
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18 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2024 - none).