

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5TH APRIL 2025
FOR
THE COMINO FOUNDATION

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5TH APRIL 2025

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 5th April 2025. 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 aims

The vision of the Comino Foundation is of a United Kingdom in which people are equipped and motivated to live fulfilling and purposeful lives and therefore contribute to sustaining a prosperous and responsible society. During 2024/2025, the Trustees maintained its strategy to continue pursuing this vision, which the Trustees believe re-affirms the founder's purpose and is appropriate to UK society's needs in the 21st century.

The objectives of the Comino Foundation, as identified in its trust deed from 1971 and the supplement of 1976, relate to the promotion, advancement and development of education and knowledge in its broadest sense. This is achieved by the Trustees making grants to relevant institutions and charities, evaluating the outcomes from the evidence provided in reports submitted by these grantees and organising, as appropriate, consultations and seminars which address the Foundation's priorities and identify positive actions likely to secure future progress.

The Foundation encourages and supports innovative ventures designed to enable people to function effectively and to thrive. It looks for better ways of developing individuals' capabilities, their capacity and desire to make things happen - their zest and appetite to learn, to create, to change things for the better, for themselves and others. A related objective is to improve practical, technical and vocational capability, especially that which relates to designing, making and innovation.

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

The Foundation's activities continue to be guided by the active engagement of its Trustees who meet formally six times a year. The Strategic Development Adviser, who liaises regularly with the grantees, is present at each meeting and submits a written report in advance to enable the Trustees to monitor the achievements of each grantee organisation within the ethos of the Foundation. Grantees are required to produce a report, either annually or at the end of each grant period, outlining the achievements which the Foundation's funding has made possible.

The Foundation has some long-term partnerships, including the Science Engineering Education Research and Innovation Hub in the Faculty of Engineering and Physical Sciences at the University of Manchester; the Centre for Real-World Learning at the University of Winchester; and the North West Comino Consortium, a group of schools in Greater Manchester.

The Foundation is committed to maintaining its custom of an annual 24 hour Comino Gathering which enable the Trustees, the Strategic Development Adviser and representatives of its grantees and other partner organisations to identify what has been achieved during the year, explore emerging needs and consider future plans. This annual event has proved invaluable to both Trustees and grantees by generating ideas, establishing new connections and enabling grantees to learn from each other's experience, all of which enriches the benefits derived from the Foundation's support.

Grantees who have been provided with support by the Foundation during the year include:

- Science and Engineering Education Research and Innovation Hub (SEERIH)
- North West Comino Creative Consortium (NWCCC)
- Knowle West Media Centre (KWMC)
- Centre for Real-World Learning (CRL)
- Bristol Education Partnership (BEP)
- Somerscience - a festival celebrating all aspects of STEM - science, technology, engineering and mathematics in Somerset
- The Potential Trust
- Potential Plus UK
- The Education Community Partnership
- Royal Society of the Arts
- Crafts Council
- Skills Builder Partnership
- Foundation for Science & Technology
- Schools of Tomorrow
- Rethinking Assessment

Future Priorities

The Trustees keep the Foundation's priorities under regular review, and confirm that they remain as follows:

- Social opportunity - which to the Foundation means finding approaches and initiatives which help people, whatever their background, to live fulfilling and productive lives in whatever ways have meaning and value for them;
- Personal capabilities - developing approaches which enhance young people's personal capacity to cope with the demands of growing up and with adult life;
- Improving practical, technical and vocational capability, especially that which relates to designing and making, to innovation and to manufacturing.

The Foundation looks to support innovative ventures which might feasibly work on a larger scale. To this end, it encourages its partners to use the opportunities provided by Comino funding to develop the kind of leverage which enables the results of their work to influence solutions implemented at a national level. These priorities are kept under review by the Trustees every year.

Employees

The Foundation has no employees. All services are contracted out.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

Investment policy and objectives

By the powers contained in the governing Trust Deed, the Trustees have full discretion in the investment of the Foundation's resources and by an order of the Charity Commissioners for England and Wales may appoint an investment manager with discretionary powers to buy and sell investments for the Foundation on behalf of the Trustees. The investment manager is Rathbones Group Plc.

The Comino Foundation has agreed an investment performance benchmark with their investment managers. This benchmark is based on: the Foundation's requirements for income, and particularly capital growth from the portfolio to support their grant giving; their attitude to investment risk and the timeframe for investment. Based on these priorities, the Foundation have agreed a benchmark with their Investment Manager which is classified as "Low/Medium" risk where equity investments are not to exceed 50% and no investment is to exceed 7.5% of the total funds under management. In respect of ethical investments, the Investment Manager is requested to avoid making investment in stocks that relate to trading in tobacco. These benchmarks are reviewed with the Investment Manager at an annual joint meeting.

The trustees believe that over the long term this agreed format will allow the capital value of the portfolio be at least retained in real terms and will generate an adequate level of income and capital growth to fund their grant making, given that they are able to spend both the income and the capital. The trustees also understand that investments do not move in a linear fashion and that there will be individual years, and periods perhaps longer than a year, when the portfolio value may fall. However, they also understand that, based on historical returns, equity investment is necessary if both the capital value of the fund and the income it generates are to maintain the Foundation's purchasing power when compared with inflation.

Financial Review

Grant payments during the year were £489,092 and other expenditure during the year, including the cost of the Gathering, was £100,359.

Income from investments during the year was £91,689 and an additional £465,000 was transferred from the capital account to cover committed grants.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The Comino Foundation was founded in 1971 by the late Demetrius Comino OBE and his daughter Anna. The Comino Foundation is an educational charity.

The Foundation was formally created with a grant of £100 from the Founder under a Trust Deed dated 1 November 1971, which was approved and registered as a charity with the Charity Commissioners. The objects of the charity were subsequently extended by a Deed of Declaration by the Trustees and approved by the Charity Commissioners and dated 2 June 1976. The provisions of the Trust Deed were further amended by the trustees by resolution dated 20 January 2011.

The Foundation was originally endowed with an income stream, but it acquired an outright entitlement to capital assets in 1979.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Recruitment and appointment of Trustees and Comino Fellows

Trustees are recruited by invitation from people that have become known to the Foundation through their activities and have shown that they possess the interest and skills required to make a contribution to the fulfilment of the Foundation's objectives.

New trustees receive copies of the Foundation's trust deeds and past years' accounts. To understand the ethos and objectives of the Foundation they receive a copy of the booklet 'Demetrius Comino OBE - a life and legacy of achievement' and are referred to the Foundation's website. Additionally, they are referred to the Charity Commission's guidance notes on the responsibilities of trustees published on their website.

Induction is generally carried out by the Chairman and time is spent with the Strategic Development Advisor with visits to grantees being arranged as appropriate.

Ms Dee Halligan was appointed as a Trustee on the 18th April 24.

During the year the Comino Fellows continued to be available to provide advice on national policy issues which impact on the objectives of the Foundation. The Comino Fellows are Sir Mike Tomlinson CBE, Matthew Taylor, Professor Bill Harrison, Oonagh Mary Harpur, Paul Pritchard, John Slater and John Cridland.

In addition to ad hoc working groups set up to progress particular projects, the Trustees have a Finance Committee to keep the Foundation's finances under regular closer review than is possible during the normal bimonthly Trustee meetings.

Risk management

Trustees continue to adopt the Risk Assessment and Management Statement previously drawn up which identifies the risk areas, their potential impact and appropriate control procedures. Internal controls were maintained to ensure the effective management and monitoring of the charity's operation.

An area of identified risk is that the sole source of the Foundation's income derives from its investment portfolio. For several years, income has been supplemented by utilising some of the accumulated capital appreciation. The Trustees maintained this approach during the year to meet on-going financial commitments and opportunities which met the Foundation's strategic objectives. The Trustees are very aware of the potential impact of this approach and in the year the Trustees maintained a policy for ensuring that grants are as low as possible and strictly in line with strategic objectives.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number
312875

Principal address
137 Thetford Road
Brandon
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5TH APRIL 2025

Trustees

Mrs A Comino-James (resigned 24.9.25)
Mr D Perry
Mrs M Bashir-Hanid JP
Mr A Singh (resigned 14.5.25)
Professor J Chambers MBE
Ms D A Halligan (appointed 18.4.24)

Chairman

Prof J Chambers MBE

Strategic Development Advisor
Professor Bill Lucas

Administrator

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PUBLIC BENEFIT

The Trustees confirm that due regard has been paid to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

The Objectives and Activities (see above) of the Foundation are clearly of public benefit both directly and indirectly. Funding is restricted to organisations in the United Kingdom and no fees are charged. Grant policy excludes direct individual assistance and most research projects, but this is to enable the Foundation to focus its limited resources with maximum effect.

The encouragement of self achievement and the dissemination of a process to support this aim target all citizens without any financial or sectional discrimination. Working through other establishments with access to diverse groups enables a far wider reach to the public than is possible working alone.

In assessing the benefits to the public flowing from the Foundation's activities, it has not been possible to identify any detriment or harm, or private benefit that is incidental to the Public Benefit.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law, the trustees have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law).

Under charity law the trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that period. In preparing those 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;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and The Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. 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.

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

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Professor J Chambers MBE - Trustee

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE COMINO FOUNDATION

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of The Comino Foundation (the 'charity') for the year ended 5th April 2025 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 5th April 2025 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Basis for opinion

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

Conclusions relating to going concern

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

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

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

Other information

The trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report, other than the financial statements and our Report of the Independent Auditors thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

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

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE COMINO FOUNDATION

Responsibilities of trustees

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

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

Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditors under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

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

The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

In identifying and assessing risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, our procedures include the following:

- we obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks applicable to the Company and the sector in which it operates. We determined the following laws and regulations were most significant: The Companies Act 2006, FRS102 and Health and Safety Act.
- we obtained an understanding of how the Company is complying with those legal and regulatory frameworks by making inquiries to the management.
- we assessed the susceptibility of the company's financial statements to material misstatement including how fraud might occur. Audit procedures performed by the audit team included:
- identifying and assessing the design effectiveness of controls management has in place to prevent and detect fraud.
- understanding how those charged with governance considered and addressed the potential of override of controls or other inappropriate influence over the financial reporting process.
- challenging assumptions and judgements made by management in its significant accounting estimates.
- identifying and testing journal entries.
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assessing the extent of compliance with the relevant laws and regulations.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our Report of the Independent Auditors.

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Use of our report

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. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

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Date:

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5TH APRIL 2025

	Notes	2025 Unrestricted fund £	2024 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Investment income	2	<u>91,689</u>	<u>95,788</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	3	21,373	22,605
Charitable activities General		551,972	151,431
Other		<u>41,996</u>	<u>41,760</u>
Total		<u>615,341</u>	<u>215,796</u>
Net gains/(losses) on investments		<u>(35,149)</u>	<u>117,117</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(558,801)	(2,891)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		2,402,515	2,405,406
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>1,843,714</u></u>	<u><u>2,402,515</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

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BALANCE SHEET
5TH APRIL 2025

	Notes	2025 Unrestricted fund £	2024 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS			
Investments	7	2,458,068	3,024,464
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	8	616	4,284
Cash at bank		130,488	91,518
		<u>131,104</u>	<u>95,802</u>
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	9	(517,545)	(463,209)
		<u>(386,441)</u>	<u>(367,407)</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS			
		<u>(386,441)</u>	<u>(367,407)</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		2,071,627	2,657,057
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due after more than one year	10	(227,913)	(254,542)
		<u>(227,913)</u>	<u>(254,542)</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>1,843,714</u>	<u>2,402,515</u>
FUNDS	11		
Unrestricted funds		<u>1,843,714</u>	<u>2,402,515</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>1,843,714</u>	<u>2,402,515</u>

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

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Professor J Chambers MBE - Trustee

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5TH APRIL 2025

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, with the exception of investments which are included at market value, as modified by the revaluation of certain assets.

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.

2. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2025	2024
	£	£
Other fixed asset invest - FII	<u>91,689</u>	<u>95,788</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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3. RAISING FUNDS

Investment management costs

2025	2024
£	£
21,373	22,605

Portfolio management

4. GRANTS PAYABLE

2025	2024
£	£
514,982	118,383

General

The total grants paid to institutions during the year was as follows:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Opening Grant Commitments	(712,359)	(962,880)
Closing Grant Commitments	738,249	712,359
Potential Trust	16,000	12,000
Potential Plus UK	20,170	13,500
The RSA	37,534	63,868
University of Manchester	80,000	40,000
Craft Council	5,000	5,000
Knowle West Media Centre	62,388	39,036
Centre for Real World Learning	27,000	20,000
NWCCC	75,500	69,500
Bristol Education Partnership	13,000	16,000
Big Education Trust	75,000	50,000
Schools of Tomorrow	15,000	15,000
Chartered College of Teaching	-	15,000
The Music Works	-	10,000
Education Community Partnership	12,500	-
Skills Builder Partnership	50,000	-
	<u>514,982</u>	<u>118,383</u>

The closing grant commitments have been allocated to the following financial years:

	Total	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29
	£	£	£	£	£
Grant commitments	<u>738,249</u>	<u>510,336</u>	<u>164,215</u>	<u>31,849</u>	<u>31,819</u>

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 5th April 2025 nor for the year ended 5th April 2024.

Trustees' expenses

2025	2024
£	£
2,059	3,896

Trustees' expenses

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6. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	
Investment income	95,788
EXPENDITURE ON	
Raising funds	22,605
Charitable activities	
General	151,431
Other	41,760
Total	<u>215,796</u>
Net gains on investments	<u>117,117</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(2,891)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS	
Total funds brought forward	2,405,406
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u><u>2,402,515</u></u>

7. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Listed investment £
MARKET VALUE	
At 6th April 2024	3,024,464
Additions	1,094,400
Disposals	(1,625,647)
Revaluations	(35,149)
At 5th April 2025	<u>2,458,068</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 5th April 2025	<u><u>2,458,068</u></u>
At 5th April 2024	<u><u>3,024,464</u></u>
	2025
	£
Historical cost as at 5 April 2025	<u><u>2,368,270</u></u>
	2024
	£
	<u><u>2,775,708</u></u>

Investments are listed on a recognised stock exchange at market value as follows

	2025	2024
	£	£
UK equity investments	162,381	250,995
Non-UK equity instruments	1,121,032	1,294,803
UK fixed interest investments	669,703	1,098,585
Property	60,338	59,038

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7. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS - continued

Alternative assets	444,614	321,043
	<u>2,458,068</u>	<u>3,024,464</u>

Included in the above are the following investments at market value which individually represent more than 5% of the total fund

	2025 £	2024 £
Vanguard Plc Fund	124,101	249,596
JP Morgan Fund	169,644	274,832
Goldman Sachs Funds	201,706	-
	<u>495,451</u>	<u>524,428</u>

Investment income during the year was made up of

	2025 £	2024 £
Dividends	72,475	74,853
Bonds and Gilts	11,432	12,384
Income from UK Unit Trusts	7,782	8,551
	<u>91,689</u>	<u>95,788</u>

Cost or valuation at 5th April 2025 is represented by:

	Listed investment £
Valuation in 2025	(35,149)
Cost	<u>2,493,217</u>
	<u>2,458,068</u>

8. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025 £	2024 £
Prepayments and accrued income	<u>616</u>	<u>4,284</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025 £	2024 £
Trade creditors	-	1,230
Other creditors	517,545	461,979
	<u>517,545</u>	<u>463,209</u>

10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

	2025 £	2024 £
Other creditors	<u>227,913</u>	<u>254,542</u>

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 6.4.24 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5.4.25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	2,402,515	(558,801)	1,843,714
	<u>2,402,515</u>	<u>(558,801)</u>	<u>1,843,714</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>2,402,515</u>	<u>(558,801)</u>	<u>1,843,714</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	91,689	(615,341)	(35,149)	(558,801)
	<u>91,689</u>	<u>(615,341)</u>	<u>(35,149)</u>	<u>(558,801)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>91,689</u>	<u>(615,341)</u>	<u>(35,149)</u>	<u>(558,801)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 6.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5.4.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	2,405,406	(2,891)	2,402,515
	<u>2,405,406</u>	<u>(2,891)</u>	<u>2,402,515</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>2,405,406</u>	<u>(2,891)</u>	<u>2,402,515</u>

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	95,788	(215,796)	117,117	(2,891)
	<u>95,788</u>	<u>(215,796)</u>	<u>117,117</u>	<u>(2,891)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>95,788</u>	<u>(215,796)</u>	<u>117,117</u>	<u>(2,891)</u>

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11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 6.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 5.4.25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	2,405,406	(561,692)	1,843,714
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>2,405,406</u>	<u>(561,692)</u>	<u>1,843,714</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	187,477	(831,137)	81,968	(561,692)
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>187,477</u>	<u>(831,137)</u>	<u>81,968</u>	<u>(561,692)</u>

12. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 5th April 2025.

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5TH APRIL 2025

	2025 £	2024 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Investment income		
Other fixed asset invest - FII	91,689	95,788
	<u>91,689</u>	<u>95,788</u>
Total incoming resources	91,689	95,788
EXPENDITURE		
Investment management costs		
Portfolio management	21,373	22,605
Charitable activities		
Grants to institutions	514,982	118,383
Other		
Fees	41,996	41,760
Support costs		
Management		
Sundries	2,000	-
Administrator's fees	5,353	5,458
Travel & sundry expenses	2,457	2,245
Conference & trustee meetings	17,294	11,534
Bank charges	186	153
Subscriptions	2,395	2,228
IT services	1,646	1,894
	<u>31,331</u>	<u>23,512</u>
Governance costs		
Trustees' expenses	2,059	3,896
Accountancy and legal fees	3,600	5,640
	<u>5,659</u>	<u>9,536</u>
Total resources expended	<u>615,341</u>	<u>215,796</u>
Net expenditure before gains and losses	(523,652)	(120,008)
Realised recognised gains and losses		
Realised gains/(losses) on fixed asset investments	(35,149)	117,117
	<u>(35,149)</u>	<u>117,117</u>
Net expenditure	<u>(558,801)</u>	<u>(2,891)</u>

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