



Trustees' Annual Report for the period							
Period start date			Period end date				
Day	Month	Year	Day	Month	Year		
<b>From</b>	01	July	2023	<b>To</b>	30	June	2024

**Section A Reference and administration details**

**Charity name**

**Other names charity is known by**

**Registered charity number (if any)**

**Charity's principal address**

PO Box 3760	
Norwich	
<b>Postcode</b>	<b>NR7 7HN</b>

**Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity**

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Philip Webber	Chair		
2	Alan Cottey	Secretary	Until 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2024	
3	Jenny Nelson	Treasurer		
4	Vanessa Spedding			
5	Tim Foxon			
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**Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)**

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

**Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)**

Type of adviser	Name	Address

**Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)**



## Section B Structure, governance and management

### Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Deed of trust
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Trust
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	In accordance with the Trust Deed, there must be at least three and not more than nine trustees. Trustees have a wide network of contacts and from time to time invite new trustees who have a track record of work in a similar field of charitable activity or who have specific skills relevant to charitable governance. This may include members of the Martin Ryle family.

### Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

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## Section C Objectives and activities

**Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document**

To fund scientific research and education on any aspects of reducing violence between states.

**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)**

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

The Trust pursues its aims chiefly through support of the organisational development, and education and advocacy activities, of Scientists for Global Responsibility (SGR) (SGR General Purpose Fund).

**Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)**

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

The Trust envisages that further applications for funding will be made to meet its general objects and specifically it will support organisations such as SGR and the Nuclear Information Service which are committed to the Trust's aims. The Trust actively supports the charitable work of Scientists for Global Responsibility (SGR), a membership organisation promoting responsible science and technology. Examples of this type of work are research, education and advocacy centred around the military and other major corporate influences on science, design and technology in education and universities, information for young people on ethical career choices, providing briefings about security and disarmament, climate change and energy, science and technology policy, emerging technologies and conferences and other educational events and publications covering these areas of work.

**Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year**

Grants totalling £30966 were made to SGR.

SGR's key achievements over the reporting period:

- Our work on military carbon emissions continued to have widespread influence in the UK and internationally. Our findings were quoted repeatedly in a report by the House of Commons Defence Committee, with some of our technical recommendations on emissions reporting and target-setting being echoed by the committee. Our work critiquing the concept of 'green militarism' also gained a lot of interest.
- We worked with the Conflict & Environment Observatory to jointly submit technical evidence to an Environmental Audit Committee inquiry on climate security.
- We published evidence on the historic scale of the bombing campaign by the Israeli military on Gaza – and highlighted the role of AI in increasing the speed and scale of destruction.
- Our rebranded 'Fair Lifestyle Targets' helped scientists and others to exemplify 1.5°C-compatible living – and gained a great deal of interest via social media.
- We produced two new teaching resources aimed at schools on ethical and scientific issues related to nuclear weapons. These were launched to coincide with the new Hollywood movie 'Oppenheimer' to maximise interest.
- We gave talks on topics including fossil fuel sponsorship in sport, climate and security, and the military influence on universities, at a variety of conferences, festivals, webinars and podcasts.
- As part of a project on sustainable food, we delivered 'Carbon Conversation' workshops and gave advice on curriculum-based education activities.
- Through our annual conference and presentations at numerous events – both in the UK and internationally – we provided valuable information on issues including the climate crisis, nuclear risks, the militarisation of science and technology, emerging technologies, and environmental behaviour change.
- Our website gained a record number of visitors. It received 94,000 page-views during the reporting period, with two journal articles – one on the need for urgent climate action and the other on risks to the Zaporizhzhia nuclear power plant due to the Ukraine war – gaining a particularly large readership.

**Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves**

The Trust has a policy of keeping reserves to a minimum, but to retain sufficient to cover recurring administrative expenses such as the independent examination of the accounts and operating costs. Funds are available in the General Unrestricted Fund to cover these. The Trustees have agreed that it is prudent to retain enough to cover the equivalent of 3 years costs, as it is difficult to raise funds for these purposes, but they are essential to ensure that the Trust can continue its work and comply with statutory obligations. This is estimated to be £4,000. At the end of this financial year the Trust set aside £5000 in this fund to cover future admin costs.

**Details of any funds materially in deficit**

N/a

**Further financial review details (Optional information)**

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Fund movements in the year

The **Unrestricted Funds** ended the year at £32,843  
Part of this has been designated by the trustees to be available for grant making purposes. The balance will be used for MRT administration expenses.

**Restricted funds** - The SGR General Purposes Fund ended the year with a balance of £836

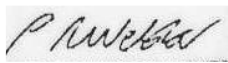

**Section F Other optional information**

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**Section G Declaration**

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

**Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees**

<b>Signature(s)</b>		
<b>Full name(s)</b>	PHILIP WEBBER	VANESSA SPEDDING
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair etc)</b>	CHAIR	SECRETARY

**Date** 11 NOVEMBER 2024



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Martin Ryle Trust

No (if any)

## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 1st July 2023	To	Period end date 30th June 2024
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### Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Grants and donations		11,774	-	11,774	15,734
Income tax recovered		1,129	-	1,129	1,431
Other receipts	74	-	-	74	76
Legacy	-	15,000	-	15,000	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>27,903</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>27,977</b>	<b>17,241</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>27,903</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>27,977</b>	<b>17,241</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Grants paid		30,966	-	30,966	23,453
Running costs	790	-	-	790	742
Administrator fees	600	-	-	600	600
Independent examiner fees	-	-	-	-	-
Event costs	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>1,390</b>	<b>30,966</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>32,357</b>	<b>24,795</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>1,390</b>	<b>30,966</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>32,357</b>	<b>24,795</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>- 1,316</b>	<b>- 3,063</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 4,380</b>	<b>- 7,554</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>998</b>	<b>- 998</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>33,161</b>	<b>4,898</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>38,059</b>	<b>45,613</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>32,843</b>	<b>836</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>33,679</b>	<b>38,059</b>

## Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>		32,843	836	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>32,843</b>	<b>836</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK


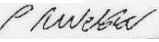
Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	VANESSA SPEDDING	11-Nov-24
	PHILIP WEBBER	11-Nov-24



**Section A**

**Independent Examiner's Report**

**Report to the trustees/  
members of**

Charity Name  
The Martin Ryle Trust

**On accounts for the year  
ended**

30<sup>th</sup>. June 2024

**Charity no  
(if any)**

3279486

**Set out on pages**

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*(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)*

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 30/06/2024. DD / MM / YYYY.

**Responsibilities and  
basis of report**

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 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 Act.

**Independent  
examiner's statement**

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

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

**Signed:**

*Alan A Clements*

**Date:**

6<sup>th</sup>. November 2024

**Name:**

Rev'd. Alan A. Clements

**Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body  
(if any):**

Fellow Association Charity Independent Examiners.

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