



Trustees' Annual Report for the period							
Period start date			Period end date				
From	Day	Month	Year	To	Day	Month	Year
	01	July	2024		30	June	2025

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	
Postcode	NR7 7HN

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	Jenny Nelson	Treasurer		
3	Vanessa Spedding			
4	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.

Section D Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Grants totalling £55,851 were made to SGR.

SGR's key achievements over the reporting period:

- In collaboration with the New Weather Institute (NWI), SGR published two reports on the carbon footprint of football - '[Dirty Tackle](#)' (February 2025) and '[Playing With the Planet](#)' (May 2025), with further publications to come. Our research highlights the key role that the world's most popular sport plays in encouraging high carbon lifestyles, especially through sponsorship from oil and gas companies and airlines.
- SGR has also secured funding from NWI to research the carbon footprint of the winter sports sector. Several reports will be published later this year.
- Stuart Parkinson is working on a two-year project (until June 2026) funded by Marmot Charitable Trust and the MRT, researching examples and trends in greenwashing in military-industrial sectors.
- SGR has been awarded a grant of £20,000 by the Network for Social Change, for a new project challenging the military influence on universities and schools, planned to begin in September 2025.
- SGR's previous research on military carbon emissions continues to be very influential. Most notably, it was quoted in the State of Palestine's submission to the International Court of Justice climate hearing.
- Nico Edwards was appointed to SGR's Board of Directors in January 2025, replacing Simon Reed. Nico has published several recent articles on military and climate issues, and helping to organise the Global Week of Action for Peace and Climate Justice in September 2024.
- Stuart Parkinson analysed the major rises in UK military spending in both the Autumn and Spring budget statements, for the British branch of the Global Campaign on Military Spending.
- Phil Webber and Stuart Parkinson spoke at several events organised by the Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament.
- Andrew Simms spoke at numerous events about overconsumption and the harmful activities of the fossil fuel industry.
- SGR is a part of a new network of organisations called the [SUV Alliance](#), which was launched in March 2025 to campaign against the ever bigger, more dangerous and polluting Sports Utility Vehicles cluttering our streets.
- Jan Maskell has continued to contribute to a 5-year project (until early 2027), funded by the National Lottery, to develop a sustainable food system in North Lancashire.
- 85 people attended SGR's online [conference](#) in October 2024 on 'Defusing carbon bombs: how do we stop remaining dangerous fossil fuels from being burned?'
- SGR's website has continued to be a valuable resource for campaigners, academics, journalists and students, with around 115,000 page views in the year ending in February 2025.
- The 7th edition of SGR's annual [Responsible Science journal](#) was published in May 2025.

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 £32,752 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 £31,727

Section F Other optional information

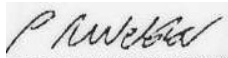

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Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

Full name(s)

PHILIP WEBBER VANESSA SPEDDING

Position (eg Secretary, Chair etc)

CHAIR SECRETARY

Date

3 November 2025



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Martin Ryle Trust

No (if any)

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 1st July 2024	To	Period end date 30th June 2025
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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 £
A1 Receipts					
Grants and donations		52,172	-	52,172	11,774
Income tax recovered		1,115	-	1,115	1,129
Other receipts	125	-	-	125	74
Legacy	-	34,634	-	34,634	15,000
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	125	87,920	-	88,045	27,977
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	125	87,920	-	88,045	27,977
A3 Payments					
Grants paid		55,851	-	55,851	30,966
Running costs	743	-	-	743	790
Administrator fees	600	-	-	600	600
Independent examiner fees	50	-	-	50	-
Event costs	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	1,393	55,851	-	57,244	32,356
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	1,393	55,851	-	57,244	32,356
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 1,269	32,069	-	30,800	- 4,379
A5 Transfers between funds	1,178	- 1,178	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	32,843	836	-	33,679	
Cash funds this year end	32,752	31,727	-	64,479	

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 £
B1 Cash funds		32,752	31,727	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	32,752	31,727	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK


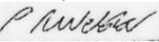
Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

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

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

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

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	VANESSA SPEDDING	29-Oct-25
	PHIL WEBBER	27-Oct-25



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

The Martin Ryle Trust

**On accounts for the year
ended**

30th. June 2025

**Charity no
(if any)**

3279486

Set out on pages

One and two.

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 30/06/2025.

**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:

21st. October 2025

Name:

Rev'd. Alan A. Clements

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

Fellow Association Charity Independent Examiners.

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