THE ATHERTON TRUST

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER 515220

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5TH APRIL 2026

WR PARTNERS

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

BELMONT HOUSE, SHREWSBURY BUSINESS PARK, SHREWSBURY

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TRUSTEES REPORT

The Trustees present their annual report and receipts and payments account for the year ended 5th April 2026.

Structure, Governance & Management

a) Constitution

The Atherton Trust was Constituted by a Trust Deed dated 28 September 1984 and updated 18 December 2013, 29 May 2015 and January 2018.The Charity's registered number is 515220.

b) Method of appointment of Trustees

Trustees are appointed by the existing Trustees at the Annual Meeting normally in May each year. Trustees can be co-opted at any time during the year.

Charitable Objectives

The charities objectives were updated in January 2018 to reflect current social circumstances and community needs.

Charitable Objectives to January 2018

The objectives of the charity are to give financial support for the benefit of those resident in the parishes of Pontesbury and Hanwood and the village areas of Annscroft and Hook-a-Gate for the following purposes; the making of a grant to a deserving case from loss of parent, husband or child, sickness or accident and to assist children of energy in improving their chance of earning a livelihood; to those incapacitated through affliction of mind or body and the dependents of such; to institutions who give or agree to give when required succour and services to people unfortunate enough to require aid by loss of sight, limb or health by accident or inevitable causes; to aid persons who through no fault of their own are unable to meet urgent obligations.

Charitable Objectives post January 2018

The objects of the charity are to provide grants in the parishes of Pontesbury and Hanwood and the village areas of Annscroft and Hook-a-Gate to:

1. relieve financial hardship for persons living in the area of benefit who are in need;
2. relieve sickness for persons;
3. promote, for the benefit of the inhabitants, the provision of facilities for recreation or other leisure time occupation of individuals who have need of such facilities by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disablement, financial hardship or social and economic circumstances with the object of improving their conditions of life; and
4. provide support for young and disadvantaged people to develop skills, capabilities to enable them to participate in society as mature and responsible individuals.

Review of activities and achievements

The Trustees receive applications for grants from organisations and individuals. During the year, grants totalling £2,516 were awarded to organisations and those to individuals totalled £96. In reviewing the grant applications for the year, the Trustees have considered the Charity Commission's revised guidance on public benefit and awarded grants accordingly.

The charity is self funding and relies on income from its investments.

Investment policy
The Trustees are advised by a professional fund manager.

Reserves policy
All the funds are unrestricted. The Trustees would normally pay Grants equivalent to their investment income.
Free reserves at the year end were £203,839 (2025: £184,642).

Trustees
The Trustees of the charity are:

B Challinor (Chairman)
Mrs H Pearson
J Pope
P. Price
P Adams
P. Talbot
M. Jervis (Resigned 13 November 2025)
Mrs E Jervis

The Charity is a Registered Charity under Number 515220 and the Registered Office is Belmont House, Shrewsbury Business Park, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY2 6LG

On Behalf of the Trustees

B Challinor
Chairman



Date

2/10/26

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE ATHERTON TRUST

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 5th April 2026, which are set out on pages 4 to 7.

Responsibilities and basis of the report

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the audit requirement of the Charities Act 2011 (The Act).

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 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 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.

Tim Lunt

Tim Lunt BA (Hons) FCCA MTPI
WR Partners
Chartered Accountants
Shrewsbury

Date: 19/10/2026

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5TH APRIL 2026

	Page	Year Ended 05/04/2026		Year Ended 05/04/2025	
		£	£	£	£
Receipts					
Dividends Received	6		980		1,413
Interest			36		101
Sale of investments	6		38,153		83,456
Total Receipts			39,169		84,970
Payments					
Management & Administration - Professional Fees					
WR Partners		948		870	
Brewin Dolphin Portfolio Management		1,893		1,238	
Bank charges		65		67	
Purchase of investments	6	23,902		78,588	
Grants	7	2,612		8,961	
Insurance		290		246	
			29,710		89,970
Excess Payments/Receipts			9,459		(5,000)
Cash balance brought forward			1,573		6,573
Cash balance carried forward	5		11,032		1,573

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

AS AT 5TH APRIL 2026

	Page	05/04/2026	05/04/2025
Monetary Assets			
Cash at Building Society			
CAF Bank		8,339	1,251
Brewin Dolphin Deposit account		2,693	322
	4	11,032	1,573
Other Monetary Assets			
Quoted Investments per schedule at market value	6	192,807	183,069
		192,807	183,069
Total Assets		203,839	184,642

All Trust Funds are unrestricted.

These accounts were approved by the Trustees

B Challinor
Chairman

Date 2/10/26

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INVESTMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5TH APRIL 2026

		Additions	(Sales)	Profit/ (Loss on Sale)	Cost 05.04.26	Net Dividend	Market Value 05.04.26
16,080	Legal & General Global Inflation Linked				9,776		10,469
1,432	Liontrust Fund par special		(6,635)	442		153	
2,296	Evenlode Investment Fund Income				7,986		9,377
789	Polar Capital Technology Tst		(2,738)	1,046			
4,235	The Renewables Infrastructure	1,239			6,656	439	3,842
3,135	HICLInfrastructure PLC		(3,574)	(1,819)			
4,106	T M Redwheel Funds				4,764		8,175
26,417	Maitland Instl Select Managers Bond		(2,615)	42	26,978		28,595
3,740	Franklin Templeton Funds Clearbridge		(5,375)	685			
4,701	Maitland Inst SVC North American		(9,403)	2,668	8,115		11,050
1,290	Artemis Investment Fd US Smaller Co's	2,252			6,054		8,800
6,054	Schroder Global Cities Real Estate				5,588		6,538
105	Dodge & Cox Worldwide Funds				4,977		6,728
1,428	BH Macro Ord		(5,746)	(416)			
1,155	Pacific Assets Trust Ord				4,353	57	4,204
167	Comgest Growth PLC Europe		(2,067)	(178)			
1,786	Man International Japan				3,984		6,783
100	Vanguard Funds				6,653	92	9,406
2,140	WS Gresham House Equity Funds				3,858		3,645
302	GDG Global UCIT's US Equity				5,427		5,551
460	Finsbury Growth & Income Trust				3,885	93	3,312
720	Ishares V World Energy Sector				3,982		5,328
237	Fidelity Investment Funds Asia Fund				3,917		5,165
9,876	M&G Investment Funds Emerging Mkts				9,733		11,468
9,746	MI Select Managers Alt ACC				10,546		13,004
76	Man Funds Global Investment Grade ops				9,736		10,838
2,177	Blackrock European Dynamic Fund	6,667			6,667		6,913
16	SSGA SPDR ETFS Europe	8,249			8,249	20	7,934
83	Ishares Physical Metals- Gold	5,495			5,495	126	5,682
		23,902	(38,153)	2,470	167,379	980	192,807

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GRANTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5TH APRIL 2026

	£
Organisations	
Pontesbury CE Primary School	1,766
Hanwood CE Primary School	250
Longden CE Primary School	500
	2,516
Individual	
Jack Scott - Music Heroes Guitar Lessons	96
	96
Total Grants	2,612