# Agatha Christie Trust for Children Unaudited Financial Statements 5 April 2019

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# **Financial Statements**

# Year ended 5 April 2019

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#### **Trustees' Annual Report**

#### Year ended 5 April 2019

The trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 5 April 2019.

#### Reference and administrative details

Registered charity name Agatha Christie Trust for Children

Charity registration number 260295

Principal office Roselands

The Avenue Bucklebury Berks RG7 7NJ

The trustees Alexandra Agatha Clementson

James Prichard

Christopher Duncan Hart

Independent examiner Mrs S L Watts FCCA DChA

Thomas Westcott 5 West Street Okehampton Devon EX20 1HQ

#### Structure, governance and management

The Agatha Christie Trust for Children is governed by a Trust Deed dated 1 December 1969 and is registered under the Charities Act 2011; Charity Registration Number 260295.

Under the terms of the Trust Deed, the power of appointing new Trustees is vested in the existing Trustees.

The Trustees consult regularly on the making of grants.

#### Risk Management

The Trustees have assessed the major risks the Charity faces and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate its exposure to them.

#### Objectives and activities

General grant giving with a preference for persons under the age of 21 years.

#### Trustees' Annual Report (continued)

#### Year ended 5 April 2019

#### Achievements and performance

The main purpose of the Charity is to apply the income for the benefit of such charitable bodies or such other charitable purposes as the Trustees shall decide.

The Charity's income consists predominantly of investment income, which is distributed to charitable organisations in accordance with the Trust Deed at the discretion of the Trustees, after meeting administration and governance costs.

#### Financial review

During the year the incoming resources totalled £51,658 (2018: £71,379).

The Charity awarded grants of £50,000 in the year.

#### **Investment Policy**

There are no restrictions on the Charity's power to invest. The Trustees have appointed Coutts investment managers to act on an advisory management basis.

The overall policy is to adopt a medium risk investment strategy based on producing a balance of income and capital growth over the medium term.

At the year end the Charity's investment portfolio was valued at £131,358 (2018; £131,523).

#### **Public Benefit**

In planning our activities for the year we kept in mind the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit.

#### **Reserves Policy**

The Trustees have considered the requirement for free reserves, being those funds which remain un-invested and uncommitted and are satisfied that the level at present is adequate for the future operation of the Trust. The Trustees have considered the requirement for free reserves, being those funds which remain un-invested and uncommitted and are satisfied that the level at present is adequate for the future operation of the Trust.

The trustees' annual report was approved on 14.11.10 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:

Alexandra Agatha Clementson Trustee

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Trustee 1

James Prichard

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# Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Agatha Christie Trust for Children

#### Year ended 5 April 2019

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Agatha Christie Trust for Children ('the charity') for the year ended 5 April 2019.

#### Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Charity's Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts, you consider that an audit is not required under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to:

- examine accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioner under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

#### 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:

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- 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 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.

Mrs S L Watts FCCA DChA Independent Examiner

Thomas Westcott 5 West Street Okehampton Devon EX20 1HQ

# **Statement of Financial Activities**

# Year ended 5 April 2019

		<b>2019</b> Unrestricted		2018
	Note	funds	Total funds £	Total funds £
Income and endowments				
Donations and legacies	4	50,000	50,000	70,000
Investment income	5	1,658	1,658	1,379
Total income		51,658	51,658	71,379
Expenditure Expenditure on raising funds:				<del></del>
Investment management costs	6	1,680	1,680	1,674
Expenditure on charitable activities	7,8	53,284	53,284	76,064
Total expenditure		54,964	54,964	77,738
Net gains on investments	11	778	778	2,574
Net expenditure and net movement in funds		(2,528)	(2,528)	(3,785)
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		47,289	47,289	51,074
Total funds carried forward		44,761	44,761	47,289

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

#### **Statement of Financial Position**

#### 5 April 2019

Fixed assets	Note	2019 £	2018 £
Investments	15	131,358	131,523
Current assets Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	16	1,140 3,688 4,828	1,140 7,287 8,427
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	17	91,425	92,661
Net current liabilities		(86,597)	(84,234)
Total assets less current liabilities		44,761	47,289
Funds of the charity			
Unrestricted funds		44,761	47,289
Total charity funds	18	44,761	47,289

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#### **Notes to the Financial Statements**

#### Year ended 5 April 2019

#### 1. General information

The charity is a public benefit entity and a registered charity in England and Wales and is unincorporated. The address of the principal office is Roselands, The Avenue, Bucklebury, Berks, RG7 7NJ.

#### 2. Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the 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) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Charities Act 2011.

#### 3. Accounting policies

#### **Taxation**

Under section 505 ICTA 1988 the charity is exempt from certain taxes. Full account is taken of tax credits attaching to gifts and qualifying donations.

#### Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities and investment properties measured at fair value through income or expenditure.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

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#### Going concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

#### **Disclosure exemptions**

The charity has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS 102 form the requirement to produce a cash flow statement because it is a small charity.

#### Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

#### Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

#### Year ended 5 April 2019

#### 3. Accounting policies (continued)

#### **Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees to further any of the charity's purposes.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular future project or commitment.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure declared by the donor or through the terms of an appeal, and fall into one of two sub-classes: restricted income funds or endowment funds.

#### Incoming resources

All income is included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity, it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- voluntary income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities during the year in which it is received, together with any income tax reclaimable thereon.
- income from investments is included in the year in which it is receivable.

#### Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events, non-charitable trading activities, and the sale of donated goods.
- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.
- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

#### Investments

Fixed asset investments, including investment properties, are included in the accounts at market value as at the balance sheet date. Realised and unrealised gains/losses are credited/debited to the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which they arise.

#### Financial instruments

A financial asset or a financial liability is recognised only when the charity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

#### Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

#### Year ended 5 April 2019

#### 3. Accounting policies (continued)

#### Financial instruments (continued)

Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at the amount receivable or payable including any related transaction costs.

Current assets and current liabilities are subsequently measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be paid or received and not discounted.

Debt instruments are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

Where investments in shares are publicly traded or their fair value can otherwise be measured reliably, the investment is subsequently measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognised in income and expenditure. All other such investments are subsequently measured at cost less impairment.

Financial assets that are measured at cost or amortised cost are reviewed for objective evidence of impairment at the end of each reporting date. If there is objective evidence of impairment, an impairment loss is recognised under the appropriate heading in the statement of financial activities in which the initial gain was recognised.

For all equity instruments regardless of significance, and other financial assets that are individually significant, these are assessed individually for impairment. Other financial assets are either assessed individually or grouped on the basis of similar credit risk characteristics.

Any reversals of impairment are recognised immediately, to the extent that the reversal does not result in a carrying amount of the financial asset that exceeds what the carrying amount would have been had the impairment not previously been recognised.

#### 4. Donations and legacies

	Donations	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2019 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2018 £
	Colwinston Trust	50,000	50,000	70,000	70,000
5.	Investment income				
	Income from listed investments	Unrestricted Funds £ 1,658	Total Funds 2019 £ 1,658	Unrestricted Funds £ 1,379	Total Funds 2018 £ 1,379

# Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

# Year ended 5 April 2019

6.	Investment mana	agement costs				
			Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2019 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2018 £
	Portfolio manager	ment	1,680	1,680	1,674	1,674
7.	Expenditure on o	charitable activ	rities by fund type			
			Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2019 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2018 £
	Charitable activity Support costs		50,000 4,964	50,000 4,964	70,000 6,064	70,000 6,064
			54,964	54,964	76,064	76,064
8.	Expenditure on o	charitable activ	vities by activity typ	e		
			Grant fundin of activitie £		Total funds 2019 £	Total fund 2018 £
	Charitable activity Governance costs		50,00	0 – – 4,964	50,000 4,964	70,000 6,064
			50,00	0 4,964	54,964	76,064
9.	Analysis of supp	ort costs				
	Governance costs	Support costs - Legal fees £	Support costs – Supp Accountancy fees £ 1,188		agement T fees 2 £	Total Total 2019 2018 £ £ 1,964 7,738
10.	Analysis of gran	ts				
					2019 £	2018 £
	Grants to institut Bloodwise	tions			50,000	70,000
					50,000	70,000
	Total grants				50,000	70,000

# Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

#### Year ended 5 April 2019

#### 11. Net gains on investments

12.	Gains/(losses) on listed investments  Independent examination fees	Unrestricted Funds £ 778	Total Funds 2019 £ 778	Unrestricted Funds £ 2,574	Total Funds 2018 £ 2,574
	Fees payable to the independent examin	er for		2019 £	2018 £
	Independent examination of the financia			1,188	1,284

#### 13. Staff costs

The average head count of employees during the year was Nil (2018: Nil).

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2018: Nil).

## 14. Trustee remuneration and expenses

No remuneration has been paid to the Trustees in either the current or preceding period. The charity has not met any individual expenses incurred by Trustees for services provided to the charity.

#### 15. Investments

Cost or valuation	Listed investments
At 6 April 2018	131,523
Additions	127,117
Disposals	(128,060)
Other movements	2,778
At 5 April 2019	131,358
Impairment At 6 April 2018 and 5 April 2019 Carrying amount	
At 5 April 2019	131,358
Åt 5 April 2018	131,358
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All investments shown above are held at valuation.

#### Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

#### Year ended 5 April 2019

#### 15. Investments (continued)

#### Financial assets held at fair value

Investments are stated at market value. Realised and unrealised gains and losses are dealt with within the Statement of Financial Activities. Investment income is receivable gross and is credited to income on an accruals basis.

#### 16. Debtors

		2019 £	2018 £
	Other debtors	1,140	1,140
17.	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		
		2019	2018
		£	£
	Bank loans and overdrafts	89,001	89,001
	Other creditors	2,424	2,424
		91,425	91,425

#### 18. Analysis of charitable funds

#### **Unrestricted funds**

	At			Gains and	
	6 April 2018	Income	Expenditure	losses	5 April 2019
	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	47,289	51,658	(54,964)	778	44,761

#### 19. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted	Total Funds	Total Funds
	Funds	2019	2018
	£	£	£
Investments	131,358	131,358	131,523
Current assets	4,828	4,828	8,427
Creditors less than 1 year	(91,425)	(91,425)	(92,661)
Net assets	44,761	44,761	47,289

# Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

#### Year ended 5 April 2019

#### 20. Financial instruments

A financial asset or a financial liability is recognised only when the entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at the amount receivable or payable including any related transaction costs, unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where it is recognised at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument. Current assets and current liabilities are subsequently measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be paid or received and not discounted. Debt instruments are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

#### 21. Related parties

Christopher Hart is a partner in Wollens, Solicitors who provide services to the Trust, The fees for these services are shown in note 3.

Mathew Prichard, the father of James Prichard and Alexandra Clementson, serves as a Trustee of The Colwinston Charitable Trust.