Trustees

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Trustees' Report for year ended 31 December 2018

Trustees

The trustees are named on page 1 and have served throughout the year. Appointment of trustees is governed by the Trust Deed of the charity. The board of trustees is authorised to appoint new trustees to fill vacancies arising through resignation or death of an existing trustee.

Investment powers

The Trust Deed authorises the trustees to make and hold investments using the general funds of the charity. The assets are held for investment to provide income for the furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Constitution, objects and policies

The Charitable Trust is constituted by Trust Deed dated 14 April 2000, and its objects are for the benefits of such exclusively charitable objects and purposes in any part of the world as the Trustees may in their discretion think fit, for general charitable purposes, overseas aid/famine relief arts/culture/heritage/science/animals and environment.

The trustees have complied with the duty under the Charities Act to have due regard to guidance published by the Charity Commission including public benefit guidance.

The trustees delegate the day to day responsibility for the administration of the foundation to N. Merriman

Development, activities and achievements

The trustees are pleased to report on another year of stable performance of the charity. Investment income amounted to £108,398. Grants of £94,479 were made during the year.

Financial review

The statement of financial activities on page 4 provides further details of income and expenditure.

The costs of generating funds was increased to £190 from £150 in the previous year.

The charity has no formal policy for holding reserves.

The balance sheet shows the overall reserves position as at 31 December 2018 with accumulated resources amounting to £2,637,267 compared with £2,916,604 in the previous year.

Approval

This report was approved by the trustees on 2 January 2020 and signed on their behalf by:

N. Merriman Chairperson

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Merriman Charitable Foundation.

I report on the accounts of the Merriman Charitable Foundation for the year ended 31 December 2018 which are set out on pages 4 to 8.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed. The charity is preparing accrued accounts and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of ICAEW.

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and the seeking of explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair" view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
 - (a) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - (b) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met: or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

S. A. Jeffries Chartered Accountant K. A. Jeffries & Company 18 Melbourne Grove London SE22 8RA

Date: 9 January 2020

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR TO 31 DECEMBER 2018

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2018	Total Funds 2017
lu a a una	Notes	£	£	£	£
Income					
Voluntary income donations		-	-	-	-
Interest		76	-	76	144
Investment dividends		108,322	-	108,322	115,584
Total income		108,398	-	108,398	115,728
Expenditure					
Cost of generating funds: Investment management	t				
fees.		189	-	189	150
Expenditure on charitable activities:					
Grants paid	2	94,479	-	94,479	80,902
Other expenditure	4	732	-	732	930
Total expenditure		95,400	-	95,400	81,982
Net income and net movements in funds before gains and losses on investments		12,998	-	12,998	33,746
Other recognised gains					
Net gains on investments Gains/(loss) on revaluation	1.4	65,738	-	65,738	88,473
of investments	1.4	(358,073)	-	(358,073)	26,406
Net movement in funds		(279,337)	-	(279,337)	148,625
Total funds brought forward		2,916,604	-	2,916,604	2,767,979
Total funds carried forward		2,637,267	-	2,637,267	2,916,604

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2018

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2018	Total Funds 2017
	Note	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Investments	5	2,390,705	-	2,390,705	2,633,179
Current assets					
Cash at bank and in hand	6	248,674	-	248,674	284,865
Total current assets		248,674		248,674	284,865
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	7	(2,112)	-	(2,112)	(1,440)
Net current assets		246,562	-	246,562	283,425
Total assets less current liabilities		2,637,267	-	2,637,267	2,916,604
Funds of the Charity					
Unrestricted funds		2,637,267	-	2,637,267	2,916,604
Total funds		2,637,267	-	2,637,267	2,916,604

The notes on pages 6 to 8 form an integral part of these accounts.

Approved by the Trustees on 2 January 2020 and signed on their behalf by: -

N Merriman Chairperson

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR TO 31 DECEMBER 2018

1 Accounting Policies

1.1 Basis of preparation of accounts and assessment of going concern

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to these accounts. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS102.

The Trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

1.2 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

1.3 Income and expenditure

All income and expenditure have been recorded on an accruals basis.

1.4. Fixed asset investments

Investments are a form of basic financial instrument and are initially recognised at their transaction value and subsequently measured at their fair value as at the balance sheet date using the closing quoted market price. The Statement of Financial Activities includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluation and disposals throughout the year.

The charity does not acquire put options, derivatives or other complex financial instruments.

The main form of financial risk faced by the charity is that of volatility in equity markets and investment markets due to wider economic conditions, the attitude of investors to investment risk, and changes in sentiment concerning equities and within particular sectors or sub sectors.

1.5 Realised gains and losses

All gains and losses are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities as they arise. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between sales proceeds and their opening carrying value or their purchase value if acquired subsequent to the first day of the financial year. Unrealised gains and losses are calculated as the difference between the fair value at the year end and their carrying value. Realised and unrealised investment gains and losses are combined in the Statement of Financial Activities.

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2 Expenditure on charitable activities

	2018 £	2017 £
Grants made	94,479	80,902
During the year the following grants	were made:	£
Bede House Born free Foundation Commonwealth Girls Education Children on the Edge DEKI Fauna and Flora International Goldsmiths college InterAct Malaika Kids Nino Harvery-Jones One to One Childrens Fund Safe Families for children Salmon Youth Centre St. Christophers Hospice St. Andrews Club Swinefen Telemedicine The Funding Network THET		2,000 2,000 1,000 5,000 2,500 12,500 5,000 1,000 5,000 2,829 10,000 2,500 2,000 6,000 2,000 2,000 2,000 21,650 2,500
Trinity Zimbabwe a National Emergency		5,000 2,000
		94,479

3 Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax as all its income is charitable and is applied for charitable purposes.

4	Other expenditure	2018 £	2017 £
	Independent examiner's fee:		
	2018 accounts	672	720
	Previous years' underprovision	-	150
	Bank charges	60	60
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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR TO 31 DECEMBER 2018

5 Fixed asset investments

		£
Listed investments		
Market value at 1 January 2018		2,633,179
Additions		318,079
Disposals		(252,375)
Revaluation		(358,178)
Market value at 31 December 201	8	2,340,705
Unlisted investments		
Additions in 2018		50,000
	2018	2017
	2016 £	2017 £
Investments at market value:	L	L
Listed investments	2,340,705	2,636,902
Unlisted investments	50,000	2,030,302
Offilisted investments	2,390,705	2,636,902
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All fixed asset investments are he	ld in the UK.	
Cash at bank and in hand		
	2018	2017
	£	£
CAF Bank	75,263	115,116
Brewin Dolphin Income	6,378	2,665
Brewin Dolphin Deposit	167,033	167,084
	248,674	284,865
Creditors falling due under one	year	
	2018	2017
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	2018 £	2017 £	
Accruals	2,112 2,112	1,440 1,440	

8 Trustees remuneration and expenses

No remuneration and expenses directly or indirectly out of funds of the Charity were paid or payable for the year to any Trustees or to any person or persons known to be connected with any of them.

9 Related party transactions

There have been no transactions with related parties in the year.