

RAINY DAY TRUST
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

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The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2019.

The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: 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)(effective January 2015).

Reference and Administration Information

The Rainy Day Trust was founded in 1843, and is registered with the Charity Commission as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation under charity number 1170878. The Charity's trustees and particulars professional advisers are included within this trustees report. The Charity became a CIO on 21 December 2016.

The financial statements for the CIO represent the combined assets, liabilities and funds of the two legal entities as though they have always been part of the same organisation.

The trustees consider this approach to be consistent with the requirements of the SORP and it provides a clear comparative of the financial statements and financial position with previous reporting periods.

The treatment is appropriate because the CIO was formed expressly to take over the work of the charity. The two entities have the same name and address and are party to the same organisation. There is no significant change to the beneficiaries, purposes or control of the organisation.

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Charitable Objectives

The object of the CIO is, for the public benefit, to relieve and assist persons in need who are, or have been engaged in, hardware / DIY, housewares, brushware, pottery, glass, builders merchants, ironmongery, garden supply, and all allied trades, and their dependants, in particular, but not exclusively, by providing advice, support and financial assistance.

Vision and Mission Statements

Our work has always been driven by a desire to provide support and information to people from our industry. To achieve this, the Trust has adopted the Vision and Mission statements as set out below:

Vision Statement

"The RDT is working towards a time when all those who have worked in the home improvement and enhancement industry have the funds they need to live."

Mission Statement

"The Rainy Day Trust will work both alone and in partnership with other organizations, either commercial or charitable, to provide financial and other assistance that will improve the quality of life of those individuals and families from the industries that it supports, who have fallen on hard times."

To support these statements, we also developed a series of charity values that help underpin the work:

Transparency and openness

We will build open and transparent relationships to help us deliver better services to those that need our help.

Fairness and Equality

We will treat everyone with respect and understanding.

Energy in pursuing our goals

We will not rest until we have done all we can to provide the help that an applicant needs.

Inclusivity

We listen to everyone's view, giving equal weight to their opinion. We collaborate with partners to ensure that we include as many views as possible on our services.

Compassion and empathy

We will never be judgemental of others, we will listen, learn and understand the needs of those we are seeking to help.

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Public benefit

The trustees confirm that they have referred to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit, and on the prevention and relief of poverty when reviewing the Trust's performance against its set objectives, and planning future activity. In all of the Trust's activities, both current and planned, the Board of Trustees is confident that the "public benefit requirement" is met.

For all applications to the Trust, the assessment of the application takes into account the household income and expenditure. A savings limit has been set, and in the main all applicants are on a very low income or pension. The Trust does not give preferential treatment to any demographic group, and accepts applications purely on an objective set of eligibility criteria.

The Trustees have taken the view that where we are able to make a material difference, particularly with priority debt, where eviction or imprisonment may be prevented, we will consider clearing an applicant's debt.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Chairman's Report

At the beginning of 2019 we set out to broaden our reach in two primary areas: reaching apprentices in deprived areas, and engaging with HR managers across the country to make them aware of how we could work alongside them to support their work by helping their staff.

Both areas of focus took a while to get going, but when they did, the results proved that our focus was right. By talking directly to college's training apprentices, in the trades working in the home improvement industry, we were able to have an immediate impact on young people who couldn't afford to buy the power tools that they needed.

Being a younger audience, more savvy with social media, word soon spread and we were inundated with applications, so much so that we had to temporarily suspend the programme pending the arrival of more dedicated funds.

For the HR manager's piece of work, we developed a strong marketing message and went back to basics in communication terms. We are taking the time to arrange face-to-face meetings to explain the work and where we have done so, the results have been immediate; more people seeking help, and as a result a happier workforce for our business partners.

During the year, we also moved offices to a larger premises in Stoke Prior, near Bromsgrove. We have maintained our links to the West Midlands where so many of our beneficiaries live. The new larger offices have given us the space that we so desperately needed to expand into, greater flexibility in terms of storage and growth and our own meeting room.

This simple move out of the centre of Birmingham has resulted in a saving of over £11,000 a year in administration support costs.

Peter Stone
Chairman

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Chief Executive Officer's Report

Our biggest challenge in 2019 was the double impact of Brexit. The ongoing delays and uncertainty have led to more applications for help, pushing up the amount that we spend delivering our services, and a reduction in donations as both firms and individuals reduce what they themselves spend or give to charity.

Income generation during the year has been a major challenge and while we have had successes in some areas, and have tried to diversify our income streams, it has been tougher than ever before. The whole Third Sector is reporting similar trends, so we are not alone.

Our move to the new office in Stoke Prior has been a success for us with reduced administration costs, an increase in potential income as we rent out the spare space and the flexibility that we will need in the future. The move was brought in considerably under budget due in the main to the huge generosity of a number of our business partners.

Kitchencraft donated over £6,000 worth of office furniture, BHETA donated desks and storage, and Addis, Stax Trade Centres and Burg-Wachter were all instrumental in getting us up and running without having to spend money on the equipment that we needed. Without doubt, we are indebted to them for their help.

As far as helping people goes, we set our target at a 30% increase on 2018 and we reached that target in October with 2 months to go until year end. It has been incredibly busy and until Brexit is settled, we do not anticipate a change.

This is going to have obvious implications on our budget, and for 2020 we are developing a new corporate partnership package giving businesses more flexibility and choice in how they can support us. In addition, we are looking at new schemes that will be attractive to smaller businesses too; however without higher income we can't deliver the help that is so desperately needed.

Last year was a tough year, but one in which we made significant strides forward and we look forward to consolidating the changes implemented in 2020.

Bryan Clover
Chief Executive Officer

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Grant Making Report

Activity for the Year

Once again, grant-making remained at the core of our work in 2019. Once again last year, the number of people receiving an annual award drifted down slowly with no new applications. A significant proportion of the beneficiaries in receipt of this grant are in their 80s and 90s, so we still expect this position to be maintained during the next few years.

Application rates for one-off grants increased greatly throughout the year, driven by the uncertainty behind Brexit and in some cases, the delays in receiving funds for those affected by the roll out of Universal Credit. Applications by apprentices have remained strong and the provision of new laptops has been warmly welcomed by those in the builders' merchant sector in particular. Our pilot project to supply power tools proved to be so popular that we were forced to suspend it as demand far outstripped our capability to fund the work. In all, we helped 180 apprentices with power and other tools; a measure designed to help them kick start their careers in the builder's merchant and other supporting industries.

The Emergency Cold Weather payment programme initiated in February 2019 was well-received once again, with 57 awards of £50 made. Wherever possible, we made the payment direct to utility providers, ensuring that applicants could continue to heat their homes during periods of exceptionally cold weather.

Enhancing the Service

As has been the case for many years, we aim to tackle the underlying causes of poverty as well as meet immediate needs. The provision of a wrap-around support service is far more beneficial to applicants than just a sticking plaster approach. We want to help people take control of their lives and be able to go forward on their own two feet without the need to come back to us for further assistance. By offering a comprehensive set of programmes we hope to give individuals and families the capability to take back control of their lives. We will remain available to help when requested, dealing with both immediate needs and ongoing issues.

The Charity remains the first port of call for everyone involved in the industry, either currently or previously, when they become aware of someone who may need our charitable help and also for when they are looking for a beneficiary of any fundraising activities they may be involved with. The new HR Support Manager Programme started its roll out and where implemented, we saw an immediate effect with contact from individuals who previously had no idea that we existed. Our aim for 2020 is to grow this aspect of our work and enhance our partnership working.

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Grant Assessment

All applications for grants or financial assistance are considered and fully assessed by the sub contracted case-working team and are either passed to the CEO for a decision if within his delegated powers of authority or sent to the Case Committee in accordance with a detailed and objective set of guidelines. The Trust's aim is to be flexible in the way that it follows the eligibility criteria and it understands that applicants do not always work to a 'one size fits all' standard. Overlaying our procedures is the view that as a benevolence charity, our primary aim is to help people from our industry and we will always aim to help wherever we can. Where we are not able to help directly, it is our policy to identify alternative sources of assistance and refer the applicant on.

The Trust's Constitution defines our industry as individuals and their dependants, who have worked in the Hardware/DIY, Housewares, Pottery & Glass, Brushware, Builders Merchants, Garden Supply and allied trades. This is a very broad and evolving group and to guide our assessments, we use the product category listing from the British Home Enhancement Trade Association (BHETA) – if the company the applicant worked for manufactured, distributed or sold the products in that listing, it is highly likely that the individual would meet our occupational criterion. This gives us a fairly exhaustive, but not complete, list and we would aim to deal with other businesses or products sympathetically.

There are no age restrictions for those who the Trust helps; however, it is worth noting that for those in receipt of annual awards, about 3/4 are over 65 years old. All beneficiaries have worked for a qualifying company for at least 1 year. This length of service requirement was reduced from 3 years in March 2017. An example of those who could be helped would be those who are unable to work due to an illness or disability, have been made redundant, or who are retired on a small pension. People who are still working could also qualify for assistance if they are living on a low income. The Trust has a savings limit linked to the upper DWP capital limit. Rather than having to keep recording a change each time the DWP rules changes, we do not refer to the limit itself. Personal possessions, belongings and the person's home are normally ignored when assessing capital.

In income terms, the Trust would aim to provide financial assistance to those applicants who are in receipt of means-tested benefits, such as Income Support, Job Seekers Allowance, Pension Credit, Employment Support Allowance and Housing Benefit. The roll-out of Universal Credit continues to be a major cause of concern not only for the recipients, but also for the charity sector as a whole. The delays in receiving funds, leave people struggling to pay even the most basic of bills.

We feel that when we consider expenditure, it is important to consider each applicant's circumstances fully and not make generalisations. For example, the provision of public transport in London is much better than that in a more rural location, and so a car might be considered essential in the countryside. Moreover, an early intervention in a case that is just outside our financial criteria could prevent a problem becoming worse.

Volunteer Home Visits

Every 12-18 months the majority of beneficiaries are visited by a volunteer who provides a direct link to the Trust and also allows us an insight into the beneficiary's on-going needs and how they have changed over time. For some, this visit is their only contact with the world beyond their family. The annual visit is invaluable in that it is the only face-to-face contact with the applicant that we have, and is a rare opportunity to see how else we might be able to help.

Many applicants find the process of applying for charitable assistance difficult and don't like to ask for more than they need. By using a volunteer, we can encourage them to identify other forms of assistance that they may need and achieve a better quality of life. Toolbank, one of our industry partners, has continued to offer members of staff to provide this service to the Charity free of charge, and we are immensely grateful to them for this help. During 2019 a total of 18 home visits were carried out. (2018: 22). This figure is reducing slowly in line with the reduction in the number of people receiving an annual award as we would expect. Recruiting volunteers to give us full national coverage continues to be a challenge, although we hope that the new corporate support package will go some way to correct this.

The Trustees wish to express their sincere gratitude for the work carried out by our volunteers.

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Supporting Programmes

The Charity believes that by enhancing our grants programme with other areas of help, we can help applicants tackle the underlying causes of poverty, not just the immediate impact of need. Our range of services are designed to help achieve this. These include:

Fuel Poverty – the introduction of a corrosion inhibitor into any water-based heating system that aims to reduce heating bills by 10-15%. We also pay for the services of a suitably qualified plumber to install the inhibitor and service the boiler and heating system annually. This is backed by a heating debt programme, aimed at clearing arrears in gas and electricity to reduce fuel poverty. We will also pay for deliveries of heating oil or logs where relevant.

Legal Express – a free one-hour telephone based legal advice service giving beneficiaries the opportunity to see legal advice at no cost.

Telephone Counselling – five x 30-minute telephone based counselling sessions for those with minor mental health issues that struggle with face-to-face support services. Our aim is to tackle stress and anxiety allowing individuals to lead a better life.

Apprenticeship Support – financial support for apprentices across the country, delivered through established suppliers whereby the Charity provides either direct financial support or the provision of safety equipment, toolkits and other related items.

Housing Advice – a wide-ranging support programme on housing rights and advice provided by our charity partner Shelter.

E-Learning – a range of e-Learning packages designed to help individuals re-train, or improve their employability.

Debt Advice – a free debt advice and solutions programme delivered on our behalf by the Debt Advice Foundation. This service is free to both the end user and the Trust.

Welfare Benefits Checker – the provision of an on-line welfare benefits calculator, free at point of use, to identify the welfare benefits to which an individual may be entitled. The calculator is provided by Entitledto, the leading welfare benefits provider in the UK.

Tenovus Cancer Care Partnership – the provision of a wide range of help and advice to those affected by cancer.

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Supporters and Partners

We have been privileged to receive support from a wide variety of sources, including businesses in the industries that we are allied to. The Trustees would like to offer their thanks to the following Trusts, who have made donations or provided help to the Trust during 2019:

Trusts and Foundations

The following trusts and foundations supported our work during 2019, and we wish to express our sincere gratitude to them for their support.

CB & HH Taylor Trust - £500
Dexam Trust - £1,000
D C R Allen Charitable Trust - £2,000
Donald Forrester Trust - £5,000
Dumbreck Charity - £1,000
Francis Winham Foundation - £4,000
Norman Family Charitable Trust - £1,000
Shanly Foundation - £2,000
Sobell Foundation - £10,000
WED Charitable Trust - £500
Worshipful Company of Plumbers - £500
Worshipful Company of Builders Merchants - £3,000

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial Position

The Trust finished the 2019 financial year with a significant operating deficit of £324,358 including the costs of purchasing the new office. Disappointingly, during the year a number of regular supporters decided to adopt either a local focus, or removed the platforms that we use to fundraise at short notice. Brexit has been a significant influence on the fundraising environment with a detrimental effect at all levels.

Efforts to identify other income sources partially redressed the balance, but did not replace all of the lost income. We would like to thank AkzoNobel publicly for their incredible support during the year which made a huge difference. After the purchase of the office and the operating deficit, our reserves finished the year at £1,453,767.

Annual Award and sundry grants for 2019 increased by a significant 37.6% to £302,450 (2018: £219,799) as a direct result of the Board's decision to help more people as well as organic growth as well as the surge in apprentice applications experienced during June to August 2019. During the year the Trustees continued the policy of making annual and one-off grants, assisted beneficiaries towards the cost of television licences as well as making awards for holiday grants, telephone costs and the new fuel poverty grant.

During the year we made a total of 62 annual awards and 507 one-off gifts; the latter more than double 2018. Our youngest beneficiary was a 17-year-old apprentice, and the oldest 99. The bulk of our applications are now received from people of working age, continuing the trend that started in 2016.

Fundraising performance

Once again, the fundraising environment was very tough during the year across most of our income generation activities. The partner and subscription income grew slightly to £47,276 in 2019 (2018: £41,060) while income from donations and events has decreased to £126,760 (2018: £147,896).

NBG's generosity at their annual Exhibition went a long way to bolstering a tough year and we wish to acknowledge their generosity. The general trading uncertainty forced a number of companies to cease their partnership support altogether or focus on charities local to them. Usually a strong source of income, awards dinners through the year all proved to be influenced by Brexit and income dropped across the board by between 20 and 25%.

However, the Christmas Appeal was strong with us hitting our target of £3,000 to support the Christmas Hamper programme. In 2020, we will refocus on areas that were successful, to ensure that we use our energy and resources effectively.

The Trust continued to run a number of events throughout the year including clay pigeon shoots, a go-karting challenge and a golf day. We wish to express our thanks once again to MDA Associates for their hard work in delivering these events on our behalf. The Rally this year was organised by Pavestone, with the proceeds split equally between RDT, Teenage Cancer Trust and Variety. The event was a success once again with £40,910 raised for each charity, due entirely to the hard work and dedication of Aaron Frogley and his team at Pavestone.

The Trustees wish to thank everyone who helped, organised or has taken part in the Rally for their generosity to the Rainy Day Trust.

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Reserves Policy

The Trust operates a reserves policy with a total return approach and a medium attitude to risk. At the end of the year, the Board of Trustees decided to consolidate our reserves, merging Rainy001 and Rainy002, the latter being the funds brought across during the merger with the Potteries and Glass Benevolent Trust Fund (c£250,000).

The Trustees take the view that a certain level of free reserves must be retained to ensure that we are able to maintain our payments to those beneficiaries that receive ongoing regular payments.

Investments Policy

As at 31 December 2019 the Trust held investments and cash at bank with a market value of £1,453,767; a decrease of £165,055 on the same position at the end of 2018, reflecting the office purchase and a tough operating year. Even so, the Investments continue to generate a significant proportion of our annual income:

We now have a major asset in our office space which has also helped with the diversification of our asset base should the stock market suffer a major fall. By renting out the spare office space, we hope to generate a new income stream.

The Trustees monitor the performance of these investments on a quarterly basis both absolutely and by means of comparison to the Retail Price Index, peer benchmarks and to relevant stock market indices.

The Trustees have given the investment managers discretion to manage the portfolio.

Future Plans

Phase one of our growth plan was to triple the number of people helped and we achieved that on target by the end of 2018. In 2019, we doubled that figure again, leading to an enormous 6-fold increase in assistance over a period of 4 years. In 2019 we initiated two pieces of work around an improved marketing programme; apprenticeship support and an HR Managers package.

The former proved to be so popular that it was suspended in August. The latter gained traction in the late autumn and will be the major focus of activity in 2020. The plan for apprentice tool provision is that no tools will be provided unless additional funding is sourced specifically to support this activity.

For HR Managers, we plan to visit as many companies across our industries as we can during the year, embed a new ambassadors programme with these partners and enhance the delivery of our services wherever possible, supporting HR leads and managers and in turn driving up income.

We have developed a new corporate partnership package that we hope will allow businesses to support us in different ways, giving them the flexibility to make donations of stock, funds or staff time.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing Document

The Charity, operating under its status as a CIO, has a constitution as its governing document (registration number 1170878).

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year were:

Mr P Stone
Mr J Norton
Ms C Holland

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Mr P Boyce (Appointed 7 August 2019)

Mr R Campbell-Drew

Mr S Clemson

Mr S Donaldson

Mr A Frogley

Ms F Garcia

Mr D Hibbert

Ms A Hicks

Mr J Moody

Mr J Poore

Mr A Williamson

Ms P Plant

(Resigned 16 January 2019)

Mr V Vara

(Resigned 2 July 2019)

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The Constitution permits up to 15 trustees. Routinely, trustees serve for a three-year term, but can be re-elected for a further three years.

All trustees sign a declaration of acceptance and agree to act within the Constitution of the Trust. On election, Trustees receive a detailed briefing of procedures and management and are also given an induction pack with full details about the Charity. They are given access to Trustee Training Courses organised by third parties.

Organisational Structure

The Honorary Officers together constitute a Finance and Executive Committee operating to a separate set of Terms of Reference to which the Board may, from time to time, delegate such of its functions as it thinks fit. The Finance and Executive Committee has continued to provide responsive advice and guidance to the CEO on taking the Charity's activities and programmes forward during what became a year of consolidation.

The Board of Trustees is supported in its work by a number of sub-committees:

- Finance & Executive Committee – to review and report to the Board on the management accounts and investments, and deal with all governance related issues as directed by the Board.
- Income Generation and Marketing Committee – to oversee the fundraising and events projects and to provide specialist advice on all marketing and communications activity.
- Grants Committee – to recommend ongoing policy relating to grant-making and review and make decisions on grant applications within the criteria set by the Constitution and the Board.

The Board holds four meetings a year under a comprehensive agenda covering finance, fundraising and welfare issues as well as discussions and decisions relating to future strategy. At the Board meetings, the trustees agree the on-going strategy for the Trust and review the activities since the previous meeting. The Marketing and Communications and Income Generation Committee and the Grants Committee each meet twice a year.

All trustees give their time freely. Trustees may claim travel and subsistence expenses should they choose to.

Management

For 2019, the Management of the Charity was vested in a Board of Trustees which was comprised of the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, the Honorary Secretary, the Honorary Treasurer and Members. The day-to-day running of the Charity is carried out by the Chief Executive Officer.

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Fundraising

Our approach to fundraising has always followed best practice and ensured that we never apply undue pressure on donors. Our main focus has always been on raising funds from the commercial sector rather than individuals. We can state clearly and categorically that:

- a. Our fundraising activity will always operate within the law as defined by the Charities (Protection and Social Investment) Act 2016 and the guidance as laid down in the Charity Commission's documents CC15b and CC20.
- b. That our independent fundraisers will only make applications to trusts and foundations and never to individuals. They will be monitored closely and all fundraising approaches must be signed off by the Chief Executive Officer before submission.
- c. All fundraising activity will conform to the standards as laid down by the Fundraising Regulator.
- d. Any complaints regarding fundraising will be dealt with fairly and openly and lessons learned will be applied immediately.
- e. Our fundraising activity will always protect the public, including vulnerable individuals, from intrusive or persistent fundraising approaches.

Financial Statements

Law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the charity's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing financial statements giving a true and fair view, the Trustees should follow best practice and:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the charity and which enable them to ascertain the financial position of the charity and which enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008.

The Board have appointed a Chief Executive Officer for carrying out the strategic planning, operational delivery of services and administration and general work of the Trust, together with duties of a routine nature delegated by the Honorary Secretary. The Charity is based at its Head Office at 8 The Courtyard, Harris Business Park, Hanbury Road, Stoke Prior, B6 0 4DJ.

The Trust has developed systems of internal control which are designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance against material mis-statement or loss. They include:

- Regular consideration by the Trustees of financial results, variance from budgets, non-financial performance of indicators and benchmarking reviews;
- Delegation of authority and segregation of duties where practically possible;
- Identification and management of risks.

Related parties

The Trust has a 100% shareholding in RMTBS Limited, a company incorporated in the UK. RMTBS Limited undertakes the organisation of some of the Trust's fundraising activities.

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Risk management

The Trustees have established a robust risk management policy and believe that they have identified the major risks to the Charity. The major risks are: financial sustainability; meeting the evolving needs of our beneficiary group, and growing the Trust's charitable activities in a planned and managed way.

The Trustees apply a risk management process to assess business risks and implement risk management strategies. This involves identifying the types of risks the charity faces, prioritising them in terms of potential impact and likelihood of occurrence and identifying means of mitigating those risks. Safeguards are established at all points in the control of our financial activities, and reputational risk is managed by ensuring that strict sign-off protocols are adhered to.

The Charity is committed to:

- Actively managing risk in a way that does not hinder our charitable work.
- Encouraging an open and honest dialogue with all stakeholder groups to foster learning and shared experience.
- Embedding the control system in the Charity's operations so that it becomes part of the culture of the Charity.
- Developing systems to respond quickly to evolving risks from factors within the Charity and to changes in the external environment.
- Including the procedures for reporting failings immediately to appropriate levels of management and the Trustees together with details of corrective action being undertaken.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number
1170878

Registered Company number
CE009464

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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applies to charities in England and Wales, the Charities Act 2011, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently

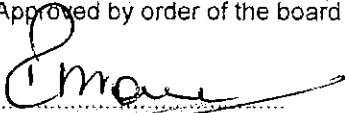
Observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP

Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent

Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is appropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on and are signed on their behalf by:


P Stone - Trustee

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF RAINY DAY TRUST

We have audited the financial statements of Rainy Day Trust for the year ended 31 December 2019 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Statement of Financial Position and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard 102.

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under section 154 of that Act. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and its trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and auditors

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees Responsibilities, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements which give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our responsibilities are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue a Report of the Independent Auditors that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but it is not a guarantee that an audit conducted with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material, if, individually or in aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our Report of the Independent Auditors.

Scope of the audit of the accounts

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the accounts sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the accounts are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the charitable company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the trustees; and the overall presentation of the accounts. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Annual Report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited accounts and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

TO THE MEMBERS OF RAINY DAY TRUST

Opinion on accounts.

In our opinion the accounts:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 December 2019 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Charities Act 2011 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the Report is inconsistent in any material respect with the accounts; or
- the accounts are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Other matter

Conclusions relating to going concern

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

The trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not applicable or

The trustees have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the charity's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Mr Mark Warman (Senior Statutory Auditor)
Cognitor Accountancy Limited
Chartered Certified Accountants
Statutory Auditor

Eligible to act as an auditor in terms of section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006")

RAINY DAY TRUST

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Total 2018 £
Income from:			
Donations and legacies	3	142,570	111,120
Charitable activities	5	84,287	110,291
Investments	4	45,201	51,429
Total income		<u>272,058</u>	<u>272,840</u>
Expenditure on:			
Raising funds	6	61,563	40,162
		<u>61,563</u>	<u>40,162</u>
Charitable activities	7	534,824	388,287
Total resources expended		<u>596,387</u>	<u>428,449</u>
Net gains on investments	11	(159,274)	131,119
Net movement in funds		<u>(165,055)</u>	<u>(286,728)</u>
Fund balances at 1 January 2019		<u>1,618,822</u>	<u>1,905,550</u>
Fund balances at 31 December 2019		<u><u>1,453,767</u></u>	<u><u>1,618,822</u></u>

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

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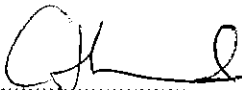
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2019

	Notes	2019 £	£	2018 £	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible fixed assets	12		62,830		62,830
Investment properties	13		352,313		-
Investments	14		940,467		1,517,096
			<u>1,355,610</u>		<u>1,579,926</u>
Current assets					
Trade and other receivables	15	21,152		15,584	
Cash at bank and in hand		98,415		52,757	
		<u>119,567</u>		<u>68,341</u>	
Current liabilities	16	21,410		29,445	
Net current assets			98,157		38,896
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>1,453,767</u>		<u>1,618,822</u>
Income funds					
Unrestricted funds			1,453,767		1,618,822
			<u>1,453,767</u>		<u>1,618,822</u>

The financial statements were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on and are signed on its behalf by:

.....
Mr P Stone
Trustee


Ms C Holland
Trustee

Company Registration No. CE009464

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

1 Accounting policies

Company information

Rainy Day Trust is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is 8 The Courtyard, Harris Business Park, Stoke Prior, Bromsgrove, B60 4DJ.

1.1 Accounting convention

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102"), "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102, the Companies Act 2006 and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice as it applies from 1 January 2015. The is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The accounts are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the company. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The accounts have been prepared on the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the accounts, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Charity will continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the accounts.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives unless the funds have been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the accounts.

1.4 Incoming resources

Income is recognised when the Charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

1.5 Resources expended

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure. It is probable that the transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of the resources.

Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end date are noted as commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are included at replacement cost. There are no uncapitalised fixed assets. The Board of Trustees consider their value to be stated at replacement cost with no impairment.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

1 Accounting policies

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year.

1.7 Investment properties

Investment property is stated at fair value. As the property was purchased during the financial year the fair value isn't considered to be materially different to its cost at 31 December 2019.

1.8 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.9 Employee benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

1.10 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

1.11 Consolidated financial statements

Consolidated financial statements have not been prepared as the exemption for small groups under the Charities Act 2011 and the Charities SORP (FRS 102) has been taken.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

The preparation of financial statements requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the company accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements, are disclosed within the individual accounting policies.

3 Donations and legacies

	2019 £	2018 £
Donations	95,293	70,060
Subscriptions	47,277	41,060
	<u>142,570</u>	<u>111,120</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

4 Investments

	Total 2019 £	Total 2018 £
Investment income	45,201	51,429
	<u>45,201</u>	<u>51,429</u>

5 Charitable activities

	2019 £	2018 £
Charitable events	84,287	110,291

6 Raising donations and legacies

	Total 2019 £	Total 2018 £
Fundraising and publicity		
Staff wages	27,435	20,599
Social security costs	2,208	1,622
Pension	2,255	1,951
Fundraising event costs	24,048	10,324
Giving transaction costs	-	198
Public relations	2,499	3,096
	<u>58,445</u>	<u>37,790</u>
Fundraising and publicity		
Investment management	3,118	2,372
	<u>61,563</u>	<u>40,162</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

7 Charitable activities

	2019 £	2018 £
Staff costs	66,289	50,226
Connect Assist	32,465	28,327
Marketing	34,396	12,758
Volunteer expenses and tablets	1,913	2,262
Welfare benefits checker	1,200	1,200
Postage and stationery	-	1,286
Grants payable	306,493	219,800
	<u>442,756</u>	<u>315,859</u>
Share of support costs (see note 8)	85,809	67,129
Share of governance costs (see note 8)	6,259	5,299
	<u>534,824</u>	<u>388,287</u>

8 Support costs

	Support costs £	Governance costs £	2019 £	2018 £
Trustees fees and expenses	1,325	-	1,325	6,453
Wages	33,317	-	33,317	25,016
Social security costs	2,690	-	2,690	1,976
Pensions	2,738	-	2,738	2,368
Insurance	1,384	-	1,384	1,135
CEO expenses	2,706	-	2,706	2,819
Secretarial expenses	21,273	-	21,273	21,999
Postage and stationery	3,937	-	3,937	3,331
Web / internet	3,849	-	3,849	1,847
Bank charges	107	-	107	186
Move costs	12,483	-	12,483	-
Audit fees		3,000	3,000	4,800
Accountancy		3,259	3,249	498
	<u>85,809</u>	<u>6,259</u>	<u>92,068</u>	<u>72,428</u>
Analysed between				
Charitable activities	<u>85,809</u>	<u>6,259</u>	<u>92,068</u>	<u>72,428</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

9 Employees

The average monthly number of persons (including directors) employed by the company during the year was:

2019 Number	2018 Number
3	2

Their aggregate remuneration comprised:

	2019 £	2018 £
Wages and salaries	117,646	93,333
Social security costs	9,654	7,091
Pension costs	9,633	8,334
	<u>136,933</u>	<u>108,758</u>

10 Trustees remuneration and benefits

There was no trustees remuneration for the year ended 31 December 2019.

Trustees Expenses

Expenses of £1,325 (2018 £1,453) were reimbursed to one trustee during the year.

11 Net gains/(losses) on investments

	Total 2019 £	Total 2018 £
Realised gains on investments	151,654	55,917
Unrealised gains on investments	7,620	(187,036)
	<u>159,274</u>	<u>(131,119)</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

12 Tangible fixed assets

	Golf trophies £
Cost	
At 1 January 2019	62,830
At 31 December 2019	62,830
Carrying amount	
At 31 December 2019	62,830
At 31 December 2018	62,830

13 Investment property

	2019 £
Fair value	
At 1 January 2019	-
Additions through external acquisition	352,313
At 31 December 2019	352,313

Investment property was purchased during the year. It is not expected that the fair value of the property at 31 December 2019 is materially different to its cost price so the investment property will be carried forward at cost.

15 Debtors

	2019 £	2018 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Prepayments and accrued income	21,152	15,584

16 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2019 £	2018 £
Borrowings	-	17,679
Other taxation and social security	6,470	2,529
Trade payables	9,753	3,461
Accruals and deferred income	5,187	5,776
	21,410	29,445

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MANAGEMENT INFORMATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

	2019 £	2018 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	95,293	70,062
Subscriptions	47,277	41,060
	142,570	111,122
Charitable activities		
Charitable events	84,287	110,291
Investment income		
Investment Income	45,201	51,429
Total incoming resources	272,058	272,842
EXPENDITURE		
Raising donations and legacies		
Wages	27,435	20,599
Social security	2,208	1,622
Pensions	2,255	1,951
Fundraising event costs	24,048	10,324
Giving transaction costs	-	198
Public relations	2,499	3,096
	58,445	37,790
Investment management costs		
Portfolio management	3,118	2,372
Charitable activities		
Wages	56,894	42,718
Social security	4,755	3,493
Pensions	4,640	4,015
Connect Assist	32,465	28,329
Marketing	34,396	12,758
Volunteer expenses	1,913	2,262
Welfare benefits checker	1,200	1,200
Postage and stationery	-	1,286
Grants to individuals	306,493	219,800
	442,756	315,861
Support costs		
Management		
Trustees fees	-	5,000
Trustees expenses	1,325	1,453
Wages	33,317	25,016
Social security	2,690	1,976
Pensions	2,738	2,368
Insurance	1,384	1,135
Carried forward	41,454	36,948

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

	2019 £	2018 £
Support costs		
Brought forward	41,454	36,948
CEO expenses	2,706	2,819
Secretarial expenses	21,273	21,999
Postage and stationery	3,937	3,331
Web / internet	3,849	1,847
Bank charges	107	186
	<hr/> 73,326	<hr/> 67,130
Governance costs		
Auditors' remuneration	3,000	4,800
Legal fees	3,259	498
	<hr/> 6,259	<hr/> 5,298
Move costs		
Move costs	12,483	-
	<hr/>	<hr/>
Total resources expended	<hr/> 596,387	<hr/> 428,451
	<hr/>	<hr/>
Net expenditure before gains and losses	(324,329)	(155,609)
Realised recognised gains and losses		
Realised gains / (losses) on fixed asset investments	<hr/> 151,654	<hr/> 55,917
Net (expenditure) / income	<hr/> <hr/> (172,675)	<hr/> <hr/> (99,692)