Company Number: 3031537

Charity Number: 1044904

# McGILL UNIVERSITY TRUST

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(A company limited by guarantee)

# REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MAY 2020

Trustees: J.J. Nelson (Chairman)

L. Blondeau C. Cook

V.P.M. Dahdaleh

M. Ridley M. Weinstein

J.J. Nelson Secretary:

Administrator: Chapel & York International Limited

& Registered Office: 12, The Courtyard

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Charity Number: 1044904

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#### TRUSTEES' REPORT

The Trustees present their report, together with the financial statements of the charity, for the year ended 31st May 2020 which are also prepared to meet the requirements for a directors' report and accounts for Companies Act purposes.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association, and 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 1 January 2015).

#### DIRECTORS AND TRUSTEES

The directors of the charitable company (the charity) are its trustees for the purpose of charity law.

The trustees and officers serving during the year and since the year end were:

J.J. Nelson (Chairman)
L. Blondeau
C. Cook
V.P.M. Dahdaleh
M. Ridley
M. Weinstein

#### OBJECTIVES, ACTIVITY and ACHIEVEMENTS

McGill University Trust was established as a charity to support the general welfare of McGill University and to encourage UK students to attend the University, through both a scholarship and bursary scheme and funding for McGill's UK student recruitment. Donations are raised from alumni and friends of McGill based in the UK and the rest of Europe.

There was a satisfactory increase in the amount of donation monies received during this last financial year, following the good progress made the previous year. The Spring 2020 McGill 24 fund raising also went well.

Direct Charitable Expenditure is accounted for when funds have been transferred by the Trust to McGill. In 2019-20 the increase in Direct Charitable Expenditure related to the transfer of the larger amount of donation monies received in 2018-19 for the McGill University Development Fund. The transfer for the McGill University Trust Awards was only slightly higher than the previous year.

The Trust supported, through its endowment fund, scholarships awarded to two new UK recipients under the McGill University Trust Awards scholarship and bursary scheme.

McGill reinstated its UK Student Recruitment programme in autumn 2019 with a series of school visits, meetings and gatherings, but the Spring 2020 programme was disrupted by the Covid-19 outbreak. However, virtual meetings took place, so a lot was still achieved. Subject to prevailing local conditions, visits to the UK will resume for 2020-21. UK undergraduate enrolment continued to rise in 2019 with more applicants, offers of admissions and registrations occurring, to maintain their upward trend over the last five years. So good progress is being made by McGill to meet its objective to boost undergraduate participation at McGill by students from the UK, which is a testimony to the worth of this UK Student Recruitment programme.

The Trust's Endowment fund managed by McGill had a more challenging year due to the turmoil in financial markets brought on by the Covid-19 outbreak. In Canadian dollar terms, the value of the fund was down about 4% and there was a small fall in annual income earned.

# STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

McGill University Trust is incorporated as a company limited by guarantee and governed by its memorandum and articles of association. The Board of Trustees undertakes the management of the Trust, one of whom, the Administrator, has the primary day to day responsibility for its administration. Trustees are appointed by the Board of Trustees after a selection process which takes into account personal knowledge of McGill and Canada. McGill's Student Enrolment and Student Aid Office administers the McGill University Trust Awards scheme.

This was the initial year for the Trust to be administered, at McGill's expense, by an outside organization, Chapel & York International Limited. The changeover went smoothly and service levels were well maintained.

#### PUBLIC BENEFIT STATEMENT

The Trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission, in exercising their powers or duties.

Approved by the Trustees on Jeleuber | 2020 and signed on their behalf by:

Trustee: J.J. Nelson

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MAY 2020

		2020	2019
	Notes	£	£
INCOME	2	224,384	188,726
DIRECT CHARITABLE			
EXPENDITURE	3	- <u>183,406</u> 40,978	<u>-153,885</u> 34,841
			34,041
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	4		
EXPENSES	4	-7,904	-5,032
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IN ENDOWMENT FUND	5	-5,117	5,324
EXCHANGE GAIN		3,914	3,324
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THE YEAR		31,871	38,457
ACCUMULATED FUND			
BROUGHT FORWARD		324,633	286,176
ACCUMULATED FUND			
CARRIED FORWARD		356,504	324,633

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 7 and 8 form part of these accounts.

# BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st MAY 2020

	Note	2020 £	2019 f
CURRENT ASSETS		~	~
Endowment Fund	5	126,909	132,026
Income Tax recoverable		977	11,475
Cash at bank		229,618	182,132
		357,504	325,633
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Creditors falling due within one year		1,000	1,000
TOTAL ASSETS LESS			
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CURRENT LIABILITIES		356,504	324,633
ACCUMULATED FUND		356,504	324,633

For the year ended 31st May 2020 the Trust was entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006. The members have not required the Trust to obtain an audit under Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The notes on pages 7 and 8 form part of these financial statements.

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibility for:

1) ensuring that the Trust keeps accounting records and the prepares accounts which comply with the requirements of the Companies Act; and

2) preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Trust as at the end of the financial year in accordance with the provisions applicable to small companies subject to the small companies regime and in accordance with FRS102 SORP.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

These accounts were approved by the Board of Trustees on Jelauber / 2020 and rustee: J.J. Nelson

The notes on pages 7 and 8 form part of these accounts.

# NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MAY 2020

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and with the Charities Act 2011.

#### Endowment Fund

Investments held in the Endowment Fund are shown at market value on the Balance Sheet date. Appreciation or depreciation in the value in the year is taken to the Statement of Financial Activities.

# Foreign Currencies

Donations and other transactions in foreign currencies are translated at average rates. Assets and liabilities are translated at the rate on the Balance Sheet date. Exchange gains and losses are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities.

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2. INCOME		2020	2019
		£	£
Donations for:			
McGill University		203,283	174,093
McGill University Trust Awards		3,725	2,978
		207,008	177,071
Gift Aid receivable		17,168	11,475
Investment income		208	180
		224,384	188,726
3. DIRECT CHARITABLE	EXPENDITU	RE	
		2020	2019
		£	£
McGill University Development Fund		179,681	150,185
McGill University Trust Awards		3,725	3,700
		183,406	153,885

# NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31" MAY 2020

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4. ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	~ 1,10		
Transnational Giving charges	5,923	3,240	
Accountancy	1,000	1,000	
Bank charges	981	512	
General expenses	01 291 <u>1-</u> 50	280	
	7,904	5,032	

#### 5. ENDOWMENT FUND

Included in the Statement of Financial Activities are the following amounts relating to the Endowment Fund.

	2020	2019	
		non cate of £	
Balance at start of year	132,026	126,702	
Income earned	5,294	5,269	
Distributions- scholarships and bursaries	-2,364	-2,172	
Received from McGill University Trust	3,693	889	
Investment (depreciation)/appreciation	-12,210	134	
Exchange gain	_470	1,204	
XT25 25TX	126,909	132,026	

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The Trustees, McGill University Trust C/o The Hon J.J. Nelson Forest Lodge Nr. Wincanton Somerset BA9 8LL

7th October 2020

Dear Sirs,

McGill University Trust: Accounts for the Year Ended 31st May 2020

I confirm that, without carrying out an audit, these accounts have been prepared from the books and records of the Trust and that they are in accordance therewith.

Yours faithfully,

John Timmis

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