Registered Charity No 1111163

THE ARTHUR SOUSTER CHARITABLE TRUST

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED

30 June 2021

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Charity Registration number:	1111163
Principal office:	Oakleigh House
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	Thrapston
	Northampton
	NN14 4LJ
Trustees:	D H Bletsoe MA, DipArb, MRICS, FAAV, MCIArb
	C T Bletsoe FRICS, FAAV
	The Very Revd Michael Bunker
	Mrs C A Brawn MSC (Oxon), PGCE, FRSA
	Mrs C E Croser
Bankers:	Barclays Bank Plc
	Wellingborough Road
	Northampton
	NN1 4YD
Solicitors:	Vincent Sykes & Higham
	Montague House
	Chancery Lane
	Thrapston
	Northamptonshire
	NN14 4LN
Independent Financial Advisors:	Telford Mann
	Ironstone Place
	Kettering
	NN14 1FN
Independent Examiner:	Fortus East Limited
	4 Office Village
	Forder Way
	Cygnet Park, Hampton
	Peterborough
	PE7 8GX

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

The trustees present their report together with the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2021.

Objectives and activities

The Arthur Souster Charitable Trust ("the Trust") is established for charitable purposes and is governed by a Trust Deed dated 9 July 2004. In accordance with its Trust Deed, the Trust's principal objective is to hold funds and income thereon for the benefit of charitable institutions or purposes, at the Trustees' discretion. During the year no capital assets were appointed to the Trust.

The Trustees' role is to hold the Trust funds upon trust and to apply the capital and income thereon for the benefit of charitable institutions and purposes.

During the year the Trust continued to make donations to youth projects of a religious nature. The Trustees believe these activities meet the stated aims of the Trust and Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

Public Benefit

In accordance with its Trust Deed and the Donor's letter of wishes, the Trust provides public benefit by making grants to organisations and individuals particularly in the field of providing financial assistance and support to young people.

Trustees

The Trustees of the Board are set out on page 1. Further Trustees can only be appointed by the current Trustees for the time being.

Investment powers

In accordance with the Trust Deed, the Trustees are empowered to invest the monies of the Trust at their absolute discretion.

Financial review

The Trustees have maintained the charity's policy in applying funds for the benefit of charitable institutions in accordance with its objectives.

The income for the year amounted to £36,598 and expenses to £128,279 resulting in a net deficit of £91,681.

Assets

The assets are held in pursuance of the charity's objectives. The net assets of restricted funds amounted to $\pounds 1,556,098$

Reserves policy

All of the funds of the Charity are restricted and therefore there are no 'free' reserves. However, the Trustees have the power to pay management and administration expenses though do not consider it necessary to allocate reserves for future expenditure of this nature as it is unlikely to reach a level to affect the Charity's resources and activities.

Grant policy

Applications for grants are sent to the Trustees for approval. Grants are made to registered charities, other charitable organisations and individuals.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

Funding

The Trustees are satisfied that the Charity's assets are available and adequate to fulfil its obligations.

Risk assessment

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the Charity is exposed. They have invested in a low risk and diversified portfolio.

Trustees' responsibilities for the financial statements

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year.

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 the Charity to ensure that the accounts comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES

Mr DH Bletsoe Chairman of Trustees

Date

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE ARTHUR SOUSTER CHARITABLE TRUST

We report on the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2021, which are set out on pages 5 to 8 of the Financial Report.

This report is made solely to the Trustees in accordance with Section 43 (3) (a) of the Charities Act 2011. Our work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Trustees those matters which we are required to state to them in an independent examiner's 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 Trustees for our work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and examiner

As described on page 3 the Charity's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirements of Section 144 (2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) do not apply and that an independent examination is needed.

It is our responsibility to:

- 1. examine the accounts under S145 of the 2011 Act.
- 2. follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commissioner under S145 (5) b of the 2011 act.
- 3. state whether particular matters have come to our attention under S156 of the 2011 act.

Basis of independent examiner's report

Our examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and a comparison of the accounts, presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking 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 we do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with our examination, no matter has come to our attention which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the Act; and

- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act have not been met; or to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

C A Liston FCCA FMAAT For and on behalf of Fortus 4 Office Village Forder Way Peterborough PE7 8GX

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF PREPARATION

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and following the recommendations in the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting by Charities (the SORP) issued in 2015. They have been prepared under the historical cost convention except that investments are valued at market value (see below).

INCOME RESOURCES

Investment income

Investment income is recognised when received.

RESOURCES EXPENDED

Expenditure, which is charged on an accruals basis, is allocated between:

- expenditure incurred directly to generate income (generating funds);
- expenditure incurred directly on the fulfilment of the charity's objectives (direct charitable);
- expenditure incurred in the management and administration of the charity.

GRANTS PAYABLE

Grants payable are accounted for as they fall due.

FUND ACCOUNTING

Restricted funds are to be used for specified purposes laid down by the donor. Expenditure for those purposes is charged to the fund.

INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

Investment properties are included in the balance sheet at their fair value and are not depreciated.

INVESTMENTS

Traded securities are valued at the mid-point quotation in the Stock Exchange Daily List.

Net gains and losses arising on revaluations and disposals during the year are included in the statement of financial activities.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

For the year ended 30 June 2021

	Note	Restricted funds 2021 £	Restricted funds 2020 £
Income			
Incoming resources			
Dividends and interest Bank interest		36,598	50,260 51
		36,598	50,311
Expenditure Resources expended			
Cost of generating funds: Investment management fees		9,679	9,852
Charitable expenditure: Grants/donations Management and administration	1 2	118,000 600	134,650 1,311
Total resources expended		128,279	145,813
Net resources for the year and surplus (deficit) of income to expenditure		(91,681)	(95,502)
Realised profits / (losses) on investments		177,178	(52,276)
Unrealised profits / (losses) on investments		22,858	15,270
Surplus / (deficit) for the year		108,355	(132,508)
Fund balance brought forward at 1 July 2020		1,447,743	1,580,251
Fund balance carried forward at 30 June 2021		1,556,098	1,447,743

The accompanying accounting policies and notes form an integral part of these financial statements

BALANCE SHEET AT 30 JUNE 2021

	Notes		2021		2020
			£		£
Fixed assets					
Investment property	3		201,354		201,354
Investments	4		1,316,339		1,207,456
Current assets					
Investment fund balances		38,687		38,661	
Cash at bank		318		872	
Prepayments					
		39,005		39,533	
Creditors: amounts falling due					
within one year		(600)		(600)	
Net current assets			38,405		38,933
Total assets less current liabilities		=	1,556,098	-	1,447,743
Funds		_	1 556 009	-	1 447 742
Restricted fund		=	1,556,098	=	1,447,743

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on ______

Mr D H Bletsoe Chairman of Trustees

Mrs C E Croser Trustee

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1 DIRECT CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE

The following charitable donations were made during the year:	2021 £	2020 £
Name of recipient		
The Souster Youth Trust	118,000	119,000
Candlemas Transport		650
St Nicholas, Islip		15,000
	118,000	134,650
MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENDITURE	2021	2020
	£	£
Legal fees		
Administration and accountancy fees		
Examiner's fee	600	600
Insurance		711
Bank charges		

No trustee, or person with a family or business connection with a Trustee in the year, received remuneration directly or indirectly from the Charity.

3 INVESTMENT PROPERTY

	Freehold	
	property	Totals
	£	£
VALUATION		
At 1 July 2020	201,354	201,354
At 30 June 2021	201,354	201,354
COMPRISING		
Cost	201,354	201,354
Revaluation	-	-
At 30 June 2021	201,354	201,354

4	FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS	£
	At 30 June 2021 at cost or valuation	1,254,307
	Market value	1,316,339