(Dated 15th September 1962)

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT and FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2023

Dated 15th September 1962 - Registered Charity No. 221593

Reference and administrative information

Trustees

Alison Alger
Stuart Fairclough
Simon Kirby
Vanda J Lambton – retired March 9th 2023
Hugo D Pring – retired March 9th 2023
Samuel A M Rayner
Samantha Scott (Chair)
Laura J Southern
Ian K Baldwin – appointed November 24th 2022
Frances Stokes – appointed November 24th 2022
Gareth McKeever – appointed November 24th 2022

Officers

Celia Forsyth – Trust Secretary
Helen Carter – Director
Craig Pennington – Finance Manager (replaced by Keri Brown September 2023)

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Trustees' Annual Report (for the year ended 31st March 2023)

The Trustees present their annual report and audited financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2023. Reference and administrative information set out on page 2 forms part of this report.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charity's Trust Deed, the Charities Act 2011 as amended by the Charities Act 2022 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 the Republic of Ireland.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE & MANAGEMENT

Overview

The Board of Trustees met three times during the year.

The Investment Committee of Trustees – comprising Stuart Fairclough (Chair), Hugo Pring (retired March 2023), Sam Rayner and Simon Kirby. Gareth McKeever joined the committee in March 2023 – met three times during the year to monitor investment performance and discuss strategy. The meetings were attended virtually by representatives of the Trust's Investment Managers.

The Small Grants Committee met three times during the year to consider funding requests of £3,500 or less. The committee comprised three members at the start of the year: Laura Southern (Chair), Vanda Lambton (retired March 2023) and Alison Alger. Fran Stokes and Ian Baldwin joined the committee from March 2023.

During the year Trustees reviewed the upper limit for requests, particularly considering the sustained higher levels of inflation throughout the period. Trustees agreed to raise the upper limit to £4,500 in July's meeting with immediate effect.

Samantha Scott and Alison Alger represented the interests of The Frieda Scott Charitable Trust (FSCT) on a Personnel Committee comprising Trustees from two other Trusts with whom the Trust shares personnel and office resources. This committee met three times during the year. From February 2022, Alison Alger Chaired this Committee.

The joint Finance & Risk Committee is comprised of Trustees from the FSCT and Francis C Scott Charitable Trust in recognition of the shared personnel and office resource which manage this on a day-to-day basis. The FSCT is represented on this committee by Sam Rayner. The committee meets jointly in the year to review internal controls, risk management and other elements of oversight relevant to both Trusts. The FSCT representative also meets the Trust's Auditors twice during the year to plan for the Audit and to review findings and recommendations.

During the year, Stuart Fairclough and Hugo Pring were The FSCT's nominated representatives on the Brewery Arts Centre Endowment Trust (BACET) which was founded in 1997 with a significant grant of FSCT endowed funds. Hugo Pring will retain his role on BACET after his retirement from the FSCT.

As allowed by the Trust Deed (15.9.62), the Trust is a self-perpetuating body with Trustees alone being responsible for the appointment and retirement of Trustees. Three new trustees were appointed during the year, Ian K Baldwin, Fran Strokes and Gareth McKeever. Vanda Lambton and Hugo Pring retired after 10 years on the Board. All at the Trust expressed their thanks for Vanda's and Hugo's long standing and enthusiastic contribution.

The Chair of Trustees is responsible for the induction and, with the assistance of the Director, the training of new Trustees. An induction package is prepared for any new Trustee and includes the following: Copy of the Trust Deed, Grant Distribution framework, Investment Policy, Organisational Chart, Risk Register, most recent Annual Review of Grants Paid, Minutes from the last three Trustee meetings, most recent Accounts, Application Form and Guidelines. New Trustees are also referred to the Trust's website (www.friedascott.org.uk) and relevant guidance for Trustees published by the Charity Commission.

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The Trust does not employ any staff directly; however, it does use the services of two part-time and one full time employees of another Trust (the Francis C Scott Charitable Trust). The Director's role in relation to the Trust is to line manage the Trust Secretary and provide advice and information to Trustees in relation to the Trust's strategy, Charity Commission guidelines and developments in the grant-making field and the voluntary/community sector.

The total number of staff working for the Frieda Scott Charitable Trust, calculated on a full-time equivalent basis, was 0.79 during the year.

Trustees' responsibilities

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

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which gives a true and fair view of the situation of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP 2019 (FRS102).
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material 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 proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 as amended by the Charities Act 2022, 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.

The Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

OBJECTIVES & ACTIVITIES

Constitution & History

The Trust was established by Deed of Trust dated 15.9.62 with the widest powers to distribute for charitable purposes. The Trust was registered as the Second Matson Ground Trust and was endowed with assets and property by Francis C Scott and his wife Frieda Scott. Between 1963 and 1976, further cash and investments were settled upon the Trust by the Francis C Scott Charitable Trust, by Francis C Scott himself and by his daughter Dr Joan Trevelyan.

Soon after Frieda Scott passed away in 1973, the Trust gained Charity Commission approval to change its name to the Frieda Scott Charitable Trust in recognition of her many years of support for charities addressing the most pressing needs and arts in Westmorland. Successive generations of Trustees have honoured this legacy with a focus on funding a wide number of local community initiatives and charities supporting disadvantaged and vulnerable people.

Reflecting its legacy, the Trust's geographical focus has always been the former county of Westmorland, with the area covered by South Lakeland District being added to the beneficial area following the changes to the county

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boundaries implemented in 1974. In March 2023, the area underwent a process of local government reorganisation, which joined together the previous districts of Eden and South Lakeland with Barrow in Furness. Trustees considered several options to retain the Trust's footprint whilst ensuring clarity of the beneficial area from which eligible organisations could apply, and agreed in July 2022 that the Trust would expand the beneficial area to include all of the new area of Westmorland (previously the Districts of Eden and South Lakeland). The Trust's office is based in Kendal which served as the headquarters for the Scott family business (Provincial

Insurance Company pic) for 76 years, the source of the endowed funds.

Grant making policy

The Trust is a long-standing supporter of local community groups and Trustees continue to welcome applications from organisations working on the ground to meet the most urgent needs in their area. Particular consideration is given to projects supporting the most disadvantaged and vulnerable in our society and which address the most pressing needs.

During a strategic review in December 2020, Trustees reaffirmed this policy and confirmed the following priority areas of support:

- Older people (particularly the vulnerable and isolated)
- People with disabilities, mental health needs and/or learning disabilities
- Children and young people (particularly the most disadvantaged)
- Family support work
- Victims/survivors of domestic/sexual abuse
- Substance misuse
- · Prevention and rehabilitation of offenders
- Carers
- Village halls and community centres
- Improving access to services for rural communities
- Voluntary sector infrastructure and support
- Arts and sports projects where the primary objective is community benefit or the support of vulnerable groups
- Young people's uniformed groups

Trustees will not usually support applications involving: retrospective funding, statutory bodies (including health and education), places of worship, the promotion of religion, individuals, expeditions, animal charities, wildlife/heritage/environmental causes, museums, art galleries or national charities unless they have active local branches.

Details of the grant commitments made during FY2022/23 are listed in note 18 (p23-24).

Grant requests of up to £4,500 are considered separately, with a sub-committee of Trustees providing scrutiny and decision making, which is subsequently ratified by the Board. To provide a more equitable distribution of funds available, given the high number of villages in the beneficial area, refurbishments to village halls and communal play areas are restricted to an upper request limit of £4,500. All other priorities are in line with the main grants programme.

Activities

The Trustees are aware that any activity aimed at achieving the above policy must be proportionate to the annual distributable income of the Trust. More specifically:

- a) The Trust Secretary initially reviews all eligible applications for funding (made using the Trust's Application Form) and relevant financial information before corresponding with applicants to answer any questions and then submitting them to Trustees for their consideration.
- b) Where it is deemed necessary and appropriate, the Trust-Secretary will arrange for one or more Trustees to visit applicants' projects to better understand the nature of their work/services.

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- c) The Trust Secretary encourages appropriate organisations to apply to the Trust by:
 - Attending funding fairs and funding advice workshops held at locations in the Trust's beneficial area.
 - Liaising with local advice bodies such as Cumbria CVS.
 - Encouraging enquiries and directing applicants to the Trust's website.

Funder plus programme

In July Trustees created a new offer for local eligible organisations. Step Change is a focused organisational development programme which provides a consultant to the organisation to guide and support them through a period of development or to address a particular challenge. Trustees created an upper grant limit of £4,000 and agreed applications to the programme would be considered by the full board at Trustee meetings. Trustees agreed the first Step Change programme in the year, with Penrith Pumas being the recipient.

ACHIEVEMENTS & PERFORMANCE

Review of the Year

The Trust's investment portfolio is managed on a total return basis. The Trust received total investment income of £186,308 (2021/22: £174,657) during the year.

By March 2022, most Covid restrictions in the UK had been lifted. During the year life was returning to normal. Individuals, families and communities were beginning to understand the longer-term effects of the pandemic and the restrictions in place to control it. Charities continued to see an increase in demand, in particular for mental health support.

Requests received during the year returned to almost pre-Covid levels, and 36 grants were awarded, totalling £261,448 (2021/22; £381,880).

Funds awarded were also at more normal levels. A small number of grants awarded in the year include commitments to be paid in future years.

Grants to Charitable Organisations	FY2022/23	FY2021/22	FY 2020/21	FY 2019/20	FY2018/19
Number of applications considered	45	37	34	48	47
Total value of funds requested	£350,903	£408,448	£293,137	£451,502	£342,956
Number of grants awarded	36 ·	35	29	38	39
Value of ordinary grants awarded	£261,448	£381,880*	£264,702 [}]	£242,637	£224,326
Extraordinary grant	-	-	-	-	-
Percentage of applications awarded grants	80%	95%	85%	79%	83%
Average grant size (excluding extraordinary grants)	£7,262	£10,910	£9,127	£6,385	£5,900

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*£45,000 of this figure was distributed on behalf of the Goodacre Benevolent Fund. Total funds awarded from Frieda Scott Charitable Trust funds were £336,880.

Public Benefit

The Trustees have given consideration to and confirm that the Trust's policy, activities and beneficial outcomes described in this Report ensure that the Trust meets both the spirit and the letter of the Public Benefit requirement as specified in Charity Commission guidance.

Risk Management

A Risk Assessment Report is tabled every year for consideration by Trustees that includes 30 items with corresponding comments as to how best to address, ameliorate and/or monitor the identified risks. The most significant risk identified by Trustees is a major downturn in the value of the Trust's investments which, if it were to continue over the longer term, would impact on its ability to provide grants to its priority areas of charitable work as outlined on pages 5 & 6.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The FSCT Deed allows Trustees absolute discretion over the investment of the Trust's capital and income and gives Trustees the power to distribute both income and capital as they think fit.

Investment Objective

FSCT Trustees aim to achieve both capital and income growth and at least to preserve the real value (as defined by RPI) of the Trust's assets over the long term to balance the needs of current and future beneficiaries.

Investment Strategy

FSCT Trustees have adopted a total return policy to achieve the investment objective and have retained Cazenove Capital as the Trust's Investment Advisors/ Fund Managers.

Distribution Strategy

In order to sustain current levels of giving over the long term, FSCT Trustees have decided to spend from income and capital growth on a total return basis representing an agreed % of the total value of the portfolio (calculated on a trailing 13 quarter average) on grant-making and operations in any one year. Trustees agreed in March 2022 to return to the 3.25% rate from the amended 2.25% which had been implemented during Covid to reflect the impact of the pandemic on the portfolio at that time and to ensure prudent management of the Trust's assets.

Investment Performance

Total return on the portfolio for the year was negative 3.3% (2021/22: 7.6%). This compares to an agreed benchmark, the ARC Sterling Steady Growth Charity Index down 4.1% (2021/22: 7.1%). Trustees reviewed this performance, as well as comparative returns over 3 and 5 years.

Reserves

As allowed by the Trust Deed, Trustees treat the capital of the Trust as expendable endowment, which is managed on a total return basis to generate funds for the charity's grant-making programme. In order to preserve the real value of the endowment, the Income Fund is accounted for as a percentage of the total Cazenove portfolio, rather than being invested in specific stocks, so that it is more appropriately diversified, and its value protected.

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The unspent income reserve, designated the Contingency Fund, provides flexibility for the FSCT Board in awarding significant grants or to supplement regular giving. This reserve is retained by COIF for in-house management. The balance on this fund at 31st March 2023 was £72,920 (2021/22: £46,296). COIF is the Charities Official Investment Fund, managed by CCLA.

As at 31st March 2023 there was a positive balance on unrestricted funds (free reserves) of £59,675 (2021/22: £8,799). This balance arises because of the inclusion in the financial statements of future grant commitments of £120,484 (2021/22: £237,844) over the next 2 years that are not due to be paid until after future investment returns are received. Forward commitments are made within a calculation that protects Trustees capacity to commit grants in future years within the distribution strategy. The Trustees are satisfied that this is a sensible approach in relation to annual investment income and that their investment strategy is sufficiently robust to obviate the need for a designated reserve fund.

PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

Trustees annually review the way in which the Trust is administered to ensure it is both efficient and cost effective in distributing its income, making effective use of sub committees to achieve this. Trustees intend to continue this process in the year ahead.

Trustees will invite and welcome applications for funding from those charities that, in their opinion, are able to demonstrate an ability to meet the needs of local communities, the vulnerable and the disadvantaged within the old County of Westmorland and the area covered by the South Lakeland District Council. The Trustees plans in relation to the Trust's investments and reserves are outlined above.

Going concern

The fund value of £10,560,704 at March 31st 2023 has continued to recover during 2023. Trustees are mindful that the income from the fund may fluctuate in future financial years. The level of distribution made available remains at Trustees' discretion, as does the use of capital to meet agreed distribution levels. Based on these assessments and given the measures that could be undertaken to mitigate any adverse conditions, the Trustees have concluded that they can continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the annual report and accounts.

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This report was approved by Trustees and signed on their behalf on 28rd November 2023.

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Samantha Scott Chair of Trustees

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Independent Auditors' report to the Trustees of The Frieda Scott Charitable Trust

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of The Frieda Scott Charitable Trust (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 March 2023 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet 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, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 March 2023, and of its incoming resources and application of resources, 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.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least 12 months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The Trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Trustees' annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

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Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In light of the knowledge and understanding of the charity and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the trustees' report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 require us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the financial statements is inconsistent in any material respect with the Trustees' report; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- · the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of Trustees

As explained more fully in the Trustees' responsibilities statement set out on page 4, the Trustees are responsible for the preparation of 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.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditor under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with regulations made under section 154 of that Act.

Our objectives 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 an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance 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 the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

In identifying and assessing risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud and noncompliance with laws and regulations, we considered the following:

- results of our enquiries of management about their own identification and assessment of the risks of irregularities;
- any matters we identified having obtained and reviewed the charity's documentation of their policies and procedures relating to:
 - identifying, evaluating and complying with laws and regulations and whether they are aware of any instances of non-compliance;
 - detecting and responding to risks of fraud and whether they have any knowledge of any actual, suspected or alleged fraud;
 - o the internal controls established to mitigate risks of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations.

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 the matters discussed among the audit team regarding how and where fraud might occur in the financial statements and any potential indicators of fraud.

As a result of these procedures, we considered the opportunities and incentives that may exist within the organisation for fraud and identified the greatest potential for fraud to be in relation to management override which, in common with all audits under ISAs (UK), we are required to perform specific procedures to respond to this risk.

We also obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory framework that the charity operates in, focusing on provisions of those laws and regulations that had a direct effect on the determination of material amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The key laws and regulations we considered in this context included the Charities Act and Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008.

As a result of performing the above, in response to the risks identified, we did not identify any key audit matters related to the potential risk of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations. In addition to the above, our procedures to respond to risks identified the following:

- reviewing the financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with provisions of relevant laws and regulations described as having a direct effect on the financial statements;
- enquiring of management concerning actual and potential litigation claims;
- performing analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships that may indicate risks
 of material misstatement due to fraud;
- · reading minutes of meetings of those charged with governance; and
- in addressing the risk of fraud through management override of controls, testing the appropriateness of journal
 entries and other adjustments; assessing whether the judgements made in making accounting estimates are
 indicative of a potential bias; and evaluating the rationale of any significant transactions that are unusual or
 outside the normal course of the charity's work.

We also communicated relevant identified laws and regulations and potential fraud risks to all engagement team, members and remained alert to any indications of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations throughout the audit.

There are inherent limitations in our audit procedures described above. The more removed that laws and regulations are from financial transactions, the less likely it is that we would become aware of non-compliance. Auditing standards also limit the audit procedures required to identify non-compliance with laws and regulations to enquiry of the trustees and other management and the inspection of regulatory and legal correspondence, if any. Material misstatements that arise due to fraud can be harder to detect than those that arise from error as they may involve deliberate concealment or collusion.

A further description of our responsibilities is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

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Use of audit report

This report is made solely to the charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. 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 auditor'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 charity and the charity's Trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Dodd & Co Audit Limited, Statutory Auditor

Date 1.17.23

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Statement of financial activities For the year ended 31 March 2023

	Notes	Expendable endowment £	General unrestricted £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Income					
Investment income	2		186,308	186,308	174,657
Transfer	3	(182,487)	182,487		
Total income		(182,487)	368,795	186,308	174,657
Expenditure					
Costs of raising funds	14		9		S
Investment management costs	4	(45,397)	(14)	(45,411)	(46,873)
Expenditure on chantable activities					
Grant making	E440		(055.046)	(OFF 040)	(070 000)
Grants committed	5/18	-	(255,948)	(255,948)	(376,880)
Grant related support/governance costs	5		(43,886)	(43,886)	(40,667)
Total expenditure			(299,834)	(299,834)	(417,547)
Net (expenditure)/income before gains/(losses) on investments		(227,884)	68,947	(158,937)	(289,763)
Net gains/(losses) on investments	12	(501,884)	(869)	(502,753)	675,819
Net movement in funds		(729,768)	68,078	(661,690)	386,056
Reconciliation of funds Total funds brought forward		11,275,634	64,517	11,340,151	10,954,095
Total funds carried forward	17	10,545,866	132,595	10,678,461	11,340,151

The notes on pages 15 to 24 form part of these financial statements. The trust has no recognised gains and losses other than those stated above. All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

Balance sheet As at 31 March 2023

Fixed assets Investments	Notes	Expendable endowment £ 10,556,989	General unrestricted £	Total 2023 £ 10,560,704	Total 2022 £ 11,301,092
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Current assets Debtors	13	_	6,795	6,795	2,682
Cash	14	_	253,344	253,344	299,042
		-	260,139	260,139	301,724
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	15	(11,123)	(115,963)	(127,086)	(212,690)
Net current (liabilities)/assets	,	(11,123)	144,176	133,053	89,034
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year	16		(15,296)	(15,296)	(49,975)
Total net assets/(liabilities)	į	10,545,866	132,595	10,678,461	11,340,151
Total charity funds	17	10,545,866	132,595	10,678,461	11,340,151

Approved by the Trustees on November 22rd 2023 and signed on their behalf by:

S Scott Trustee

The notes on pages 15 to 24 form part of these financial statements.

Notes to financial statements For the year ended 31 March 2023

1 Accounting policies

a) Basis of accounting

The Frieda Scott Charitable Trust is a Trust created by a Deed of Trust dated 15 September 1962. The nature of its activities is disclosed in the Trustees' report. The registered office is Stricklandgate House, 92 Stricklandgate, Kendal, Cumbria, LA9 4PU.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, with the exception of investments, which are included on a market value basis. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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 (FRS102) and the Charities Act 2011 as amended by the Charities Act 2022.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following 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 (FRS102) rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

b) Preparation of financial statements on a going concern basis

The Trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the trust's ability to continue as a going concern. Trustees are mindful that the income from the fund may fluctuate in the next financial year. The level of distribution made remains at Trustee's discretion, as does the use of capital to meet agreed distribution levels. Based on these assessments and given the measures that could be undertaken to mitigate the adverse conditions, the Trustees have concluded that they can continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the annual report and accounts.

c) Investment income

Investment income is accounted for in the period in which the Trust is entitled to receipt.

d) Expenditure

Expenditure is included on an accruals basis, and includes attributable VAT which cannot be recovered.

Costs of raising funds comprise those costs directly attributable to managing the investment portfolio and raising investment income.

Grants payable are charged in the year when the offer is conveyed to the recipient except in cases where material offers are conditional, such grants being recognised as expenditure when the conditions attaching are fulfilled. Material grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end are noted as a commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

The provision for a multi-year grant is recognised at its present value where settlement is due over more than one year from the date of the award, there are no unfulfilled conditions under the control of the Trust that would permit the Trust to avoid making the future payment(s), settlement is probable and the effect of discounting is material.

The discount rate used is the average rate of deposit interest in the year in which the grant award is made.

Notes to financial statements (continued)

1 Accounting policies

d) Expenditure (cont)

This discount rate is regarded by the Trustees as providing the most current available estimate of the opportunity cost of money reflecting the time value of money to the Trust.

Costs of charitable activities include grants committed and an apportionment of governance and support costs as shown in notes 5 and 6.

Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources, e.g. allocating property costs by staff use, staff costs by the time spent and other costs by their usage.

Governance costs comprise all costs involving the public accountability of the Trust and its compliance with regulation and good practice. These include costs related to audit and legal fees together with an apportionment of overhead and support costs.

e) Fixed asset investments

Investments are a form of basic financial instruments and are, with the exception of the small shareholding referred to in note 12, initially recognised at their transaction value and subsequently measured at 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 Trust does not acquire put options, derivatives or other complex financial instruments.

f) 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 Trust and which have not been designated for other purposes.

The endowment of the charity is expendable endowment. The Trust deed allows this fund to be spent as income or retained as capital at the Trustees' discretion. Income arising on the expendable endowment is unrestricted. Any capital gains or losses arising on the disposal of fund assets form part of the fund. Investment management charges and legal advice relating to the fund are charged against the fund.

2 Investment Income

	2023	2022
General unrestricted	£	£
Stocks and shares	182,305	174,576
Interest receivable	4,003	81
	186,308	174,657

3 Transfers from expendable endowment to income

A transfer of £182,487 was made in the year (2022: £139,528). The total amount of unrestricted income available for spending in the year was £368,795 (2022: £314,185).

4 Investment management costs

Expendable endowment	2023 £	2022 £
Investment management fee	45,397	46,834
General unrestricted		
Investment management fee	14	39
	45,411	46,873

Total fees charged for the year (including in underlying funds) were £141,452 (2022: £153,152). The Total Expense Ratio for 2023 was 1.3% (2022: 1.4%).

Notes to financial statements (continued)

5	Grants committed The value of grants to institutions committed in the year.	ear, including		2023 £	2022 £
	cancelled grants, comprises:				
	Grants Committed			261,448	381,880
	Returned/withdrawn: 2 grants (2021: 1)			(5,500)	(5,000)
	Details of the recipients are shown in note 18.			255,948	376,880
	Support costs (note 6)			33,749	29,194
	Governance costs (note 6)			10,137	11,473
				43,886	40,667
•				299,834	417,547
		20	22	202	22
		£	£	£	£
	Reconciliation of grants payable: Commitments at beginning of year		237,844		85,673
	Commitments made in the year Grants cancelled in the year	261,448 (5,500)		381,880 (5,000)	
	Grants committed in the year		255,948		376,880
	Grants paid during the year		(373,308)		(224,709)
	Net Commitments at 31 March		120,484		237,844
	Commitments at 31 March are payable as follows:				
	Within one year (note 15)		105,188		187,869
	After more than one year (note 16)		15,296		49,975
			120,484		237,844

Notes to financial statements (continued)

6 Allocation of support costs and governance costs

The breakdown of support costs and how these were allocated between Governance and Charitable Activities is shown in the table below:

Cost Type	Total Allocated £	Support Costs	Governance £	Basis of Apportionment
Staff costs	30,199	25,669	4,530	Staff time
Office rental and costs	7,341	6,607	734	Staff time
Sundry costs	1,733	1,473	260	Usage
	39,273	33,749	5,524	
Governance costs				
		2023	2022	
		£	£	
Staff costs		4,530	4,191	
Office rental and costs		734	519	
Publications & subscriptions		-	1,101	
Auditors' remuneration		4,200	4,857	
Trustees' meetings		157	200	
Trustee travel expenses		58	-	
Staff training		198	550	
Sundry costs		260	55	
		10,137	11,473	

7 Comparatives for allocation of support costs and governance costs

The breakdown of support costs and how these were allocated between Governance and Charitable Activities is shown in the table below:

Cost Type	Total Allocated £	Support Costs £	Governance £	Basis of Apportionment
Staff costs	27,938	23,747	4,191	Staff time
Office rental and costs	5,189	4,670	519	Staff time
Professional fees	282	282	-	Usage
Sundry expenses	550	495	55	Usage
	33,959	29,194	4,765	:

8 Net income/(expenditure) and net movement in funds before gains/(losses) on investments

Net income/(expenditure) and net movement in funds before gains/(losses) on investments is stated after charging:

dita dia ging.	2023	2022
	£	£ ·
Auditors' remuneration	4,200	4,857

9 Staff costs

The charity does not directly employ any staff. Instead it uses the part-time services of 3 employees of another charity operating from the same address. The costs re-charged by the other charity are:

*		2023	2022
		£	£
Salaries		26,031	20,413
Social security costs		1,606	5,140
Pension costs	•	2,562	2,385
		30,199	27,938

Notes to financial statements (continued)

10 Trustees' remuneration and related party transactions
1 Trustee (2022: 0) received expenses in the year of £58 (2022: £nil). Trustees neither received nor waived any emoluments during the year (2021: £nil).

During the year a grant of £15,000 was awarded to Bendrigg Trust, a charity in which a close family member of S Rayner is a Trustee.

11 Comparatives for Statement of Financial Activities and Balance Sheet figures

Statement of Financial Activities				
	Expendable	Restricted	General	Total
	endowment	Fund	unrestricted	2022
	£	£	£	£
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Income				
Investment income	<u> </u>	_	174,657	174,657
Transfer	(139,528)	_	139,528	=
Total income	(139,528)	-	314,185	174,657
Expenditure				
Costs of raising funds				
Investment management costs	(46,834)	-	(39)	(46,873)
Expenditure on charitable activities				
Grant making				
, ,		(4E:000)	(224 000)	(276 000)
Grants committed	-	(45,000)	(331,880)	(376,880)
Grant related support/governance costs			(40,667)	(40,667)
Total expenditure		(45,000)	(372,547)	(417,547)
Net expenditure before losses on investments	(186,362)	.(45,000)	(58,401)	(289,763)
Net gains on investments	675,253	-	566	675,819
	400.004	(45.000)	(57.005)	200 050
Net movement in funds	488,891	(45,000)	(57,835)	386,056
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward	10,786,743	45,000	122,352	10,954,095
Total funds carried forward	11,275,634		64,517	11,340,151
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Notes to financial statements (continued)

	Balance Sheet				
	Dalatice Street	Expendable	Restricted	General	Total
		endowment	Fund	unrestricted	2022
	Fixed assets	£	£	£	£
	Investments	11,287,049		14,043	11,301,092
	Current assets				
	Debtors		Service constitution	2,682	2,682
	Cash		45,000 45,000	254,042 256,724	299,042 301,724
	Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	(11,415)	(45,000)	(156,275)	(212,690)
	Net current (liabilities)/assets	(11,415)		100,449	89,034
	Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year			(49,975)	(49,975
	Total net assets/(liabilities)	11,275,634		64,517	11,340,15
	Total charity funds	11,275,634		64,517	11,340,15
	Ţ.€				
2	Investments			2023	2022
				£	£
	Market value at beginning of year			11,200,725	10,747,53
	Acquisitions at cost			2,782,488	2,281,92
	Disposal proceeds			(3,088,856)	(2,504,559
	Net profit/(loss) on revaluation			(502,753)	675,819
	Market value at end of year			10,391,604	11,200,72
	Uninvested cash and settlements pending			169,100	100,36
					11,301,09
	=x:			2023	2022
				£	£
	Expendable Endowment Income Invested Fund			10,556,989 3,715	11,287,04 14,04
				10,560,704	11,301,09
	As agreed by Trustees, the investment portfolios valuations are now accounted for on a percentage				
	(2022: Endowment 99.92%, Income Invested Fun The Income Invested Fund was fully drawn down	d: 0.08%).		ile ilivested Fulla	0 76.
	The income invested Fond was fally drawn down	at 51 March 2020	.	2023	2022
				£	£
	UK equities		*	1,350,877	1,468,29
	o i coduitioo			5,610,592	6,170,73
	International equities				
				573,403	
	International equities			573,403 1,052,902	956,27
	International equities Multi asset funds				956,27 604,92
	International equities Multi asset funds Bonds			1,052,902 722,356 1,084,570	956,27 604,92 852,64 1,041,62
	International equities Multi asset funds Bonds Property			1,052,902 722,356	956,27 604,92 852,64 1,041,62
	International equities Multi asset funds Bonds Property Other alternatives			1,052,902 722,356 1,084,570	956,27 604,92 852,64 1,041,62 206,60

Notes to financial statements (continued)

12	Investments (continued)		
	Material investments are:	2023 £	2022 £
	Findlay Park American Fund	1,077,782	1,082,354
	Trojan Investments Fund	562,788	945,655

The Trustees consider individual investment holdings in excess of 5% of the portfolio value to be material.

The Trust's investments include a small holding of equities £8,602 (2021; £10,615) in Appleting Limited which is valued by reference to a value advised by the company.

All other investments are carried at their fair value. Investment in equities and fixed interest securities are all traded in quoted public markets, primarily the London Stock Exchange. Holdings in common investment funds, unit trusts and open-ended investment companies are at bid price. The basis of fair value for quoted investments is equivalent to the market value, using the bid price. Asset sales and purchases are recognised at the date of trade at cost (that is their transaction value).

The significance of financial instruments to the ongoing financial sustainability of the Trust is considered in the financial review and investment policy and performance sections of the Annual Report.

13	Debtors	2023 £	2022 £
	General unrestricted	T.	7.
	Accrued income	6,795	2,682
		6,795	2,682
14	Cash		
		2023	2022
		£	£'
	General unrestricted	00.000	440 542
	Handelsbanken	86,920	142,513 75 ,741
	COIF	143,241 23,183	35,788
	Fund manager	23,103	33,760
	Restricted fund		
	COIF		45,000
		253,344	299,042
46	Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year		
13	Creditors. Amounts failing due within one year	2023	2022
		£	£
	Expendable endowment	~	~
	Accruals	11,123	11,415
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	Restricted fund		
	Grants payable (note 5)	-	45,000
	General unrestricted		
	Grants payable (note 5)	105,188	142,869
	Accruals	4,200	4,210
	Other creditors	6,575	9,196
		115,963	156,275
		127,086	212,690
16	Creditors: Amounts falling due after	2022	0000
	more than one year	2023	2022
	General unrestricted	, E	£
	Grants payable (note 5)	15,296	49,975
	armine balance (1976 p)	=	10,010

Notes to financial statements (continued)

Analysis of fund movements	Balance at	Incoming	Resources	Transfers	Loss on	Balance at
	31st March 2022	resources	expended	Transfers	Investments	31st March 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Expendable endowment			5			
Held as investments	11,275,634		(45,397)	(182,487)	(501,884)	10,545,866
General unrestricted fund						
Designated funds						
Income invested fund	9,422	-	(14)	(8,539)	(869)	
Contingency reserve	46,296		-	26,624		72;920
_	55,718	-	(14)	18,085	(869)	72,920
Free reserves Income reserves	8,799	368,795	(299,834)	(18,085)		59,67
	64,517	368,795	(299,848)		(869)	132,59
	11,340,151	368,795	(345,245)	(182,487)	(502,753)	10,678,46
	Balance at 31st March 2021	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	Gain on Investments	Balance at 31st March 2022
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Expendable endowment						
Held as investments	10,786,743	-	(46,834)	(139,528)	675,253	11,275,634
Restricted Fund	45,000	-	(45,000)	-	-	
General unrestricted fund				*		
Designated funds	440,000		(00)		[500]	D 10
Designated funds Income invested fund	116,239	-	(39)	(107,344)	566	
Designated funds	80,606			(34,310)		46,29
Designated funds Income invested fund Contingency reserve			(39)		566 566	46,29
Designated funds Income invested fund	80,606	314,185		(34,310)		46,29 55,71
Designated funds Income invested fund Contingency reserve Free reserves	80,606 196,845	314,185 314,185	(39)	(34,310) (141,654)		9,422 46,296 55,716 8,799

In order to sustain levels of giving over the longer term, FSCT Trustees can decide to spend up to 3.25% of the total value of the portfolio (calculated on a trailing 12 quarter average) on grant-making and operations in any one year. Trustees have the discretion to then invest any income received beyond this requirement.

In line with this policy, a transfer of £9,408 from the Income Invested Fund (2022: £107,344) was made to support expenditure. An additional £182,487 was transferred from the Expendable Endowment Fund (2022: £139,528) to support expenditure.

In 2018 Trustees withdrew £105,869 from the Income Invested Fund in the year to establish a Contingency Reserve with the intention of providing flexibility for the Board in awarding significant grants or to supplement regular giving. With expenditure below income, a transfer of £27,493 was made during the year to the Contingency Reserve (2022: £34,310 from the contingency reserve). As at 31.3.23 the balance on the Contingency Reserve was £72,920 (2022: £46,296).

A further transfer was made following the revaluation of shares in Applerigg Ltd, transferring £869 from the contingency reserve fund to the Income invested fund to ensure that the closing balance of the Income invested fund was nil at year end.

Notes to financial statements (continued)

18	Grants	Commitments made in year ended	
		31 March 202	
		£	£
		-	
		0.50	
	Allithwaite Playing Field Committee	3,50	
	Alston Recreation Ground Committee	3,00	
	Alston Town Hall Charity	3,00	
	Ambleside Friends of Guilding	1,12	
	Appleby Eddibles	-	3,500
	Asby Village Hall		3,500
	Barrow Raiders Community Foundation		3,500
	Be Me Project	-	17,385
	Bendrigg Trust	15,00	
	Bouth Village Hall	, 3,50	
	Carer Support South Lakes	4.50	35,932
	Coniston and Crake Valley News	1,50	
	Coniston Institute	3,50	
	Crosthwaite and Lyth Recreation Field Trust	4,50	
	Cumbria Alcohol and Drug Advisory Service	-	35,000
	Cumbria Deaf Association	-	18,600
	Cumbria Family Support	40.00	11,132
	Evergreen Community Trust	10,00	
	Fairoak Housing	3,50	
	Feature Youth Club	2,50	
	Friends of Sandside Lodge		- (5,000)
	Friends of Shap School	-	1,145
	Friends of Warcop School	7,90	
	Gateway Church	22,50	
	Grange over Sands Food Share	3,50	
	Howgill Village Hall	(-	3,500
	Kent Estuary Youth Project	-	20,000
	Kendal Torchlight Procession	-	3,320
	Kirkby Lonsdale Community Cupboard	45.00	15,000
	Lighthouse Community Mental Health Hub	45,888	
	Lower Holker Bowling Club	2,000	
	Lower Holker Village Hall	2.50	3,500
	Lunesdale Hall	3,500	
	Mahagony Opera	7,713	
	Manna House	-	20,000
	Music Links	3,900	
	Occupation All	3,000	
	Our Place Youth Club	-	4,000
	Neighbourhood Project	3,336	
	Penrith and Eden Refugee Network	10,000	
	Penrith Pumas	4,000	
	Promoting Autonomy and Change Ltd - PAC LTd	10,890	
	Queen Katherine School Association	0.70	9,000
	Ragtag Arts	8,734	
	Reagill Village Hall	7.00	3,500
	South Cumbria Breastfeeding Support	7,000	
	South Cumbria Musical Festival		3,500
	Space2Create		10,000
	Springfield	7,370	
	Staiton Village Institute	4,000	
	Staveley Village Association	3,500	-

Notes to financial statements (continued)

18	Grants (continued)		
		Commitments made in year ended	Commitments made in year ended
		31 March 2023	31 March 2022
		£	£
	Stricklandgate House Trust	23,166	-
	The Birchall Trust		48,000
	The Bryce Institute	•	3,500
	The Samaritans - Lancaster & District	3,500	3,500
	Ulverston Amateur Operatic Society	1,000	-
	Ulverston Ford Park Community Group	9,426	
	Ulverston and District Disabled Club	1,000	-
	Warcop Parish Council		3,500
	Waste into Wellbeing	-	19,500
	Western Dales Bus	10,000	-
	Windermere Youth Project		4,000
	Sandgate School Family & Friends	•	3,500
	Youth Engagement Service	(5,500)	11,500
	Youth Presence	***	10,000
	1st Kendal Scouts	.a -	3,500
		255,948	376,880