Charity number: 1159965

THE WATSON FAMILY CHARITABLE TRUST

UNAUDITED

TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of the charitable incorporated organisation for the year 1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023.

Objectives and activities

Policies and objectives

The objectives of the charitable incorporated organisation ("CIO") are derived from the objects within its constitution. These are for the public benefit in the United Kingdom and elsewhere for such charities or such charitable purposes under the laws of England and Wales in each case as the Trustees may from time to time determine, including by providing grants, loans or other financial support.

The CIO achieves its objectives through making grants and donations to organisations and individuals for charitable purposes.

Strategies for achieving objectives

The CIO is not restricted to making payments out of income generated alone, and may make grants from its investment capital also. It is the current intention of the Trustees not to restrict themselves to making grants only out of income.

Grant-making policies

The CIO is not restricted on activities or geographical areas. The CIO is willing to receive external applications and may also make one-off grants to undertakings within its charitable objects. Applications should be made to the CIO's registered office. All applications that support the public benefit and in accordance with the CIO's stated object in the UK and abroad will be considered.

Main activities undertaken to further the charity's purposes for the public benefit

The CIO provides assistance by way of grants to a variety of individuals and organisations working both locally in the north east of England and overseas with a particular emphasis on supporting young people and helping them overcome disadvantage.

Achievements and performance

• Key performance indicators

The Trustees have regard only to financial performance of the CIO's investments including investment fluctuations. They note that the performance of investments for the year has declined with losses of £28,441.

The Charity's investment portfolio is managed by UBS on a full discretionary basis and UBS have advised that the year's loss was largely attributable to the performance of bonds and US equities.

Against this, with investment income of £8,889, investment management fees of £1,471, grants of £15,399 and governance and other costs of £2,718, the CIO incurred a deficit in the year of £10,699 before the investment loss, resulting in an overall reduction in funds of £39,140. This is detailed in the statement of financial activities and accompanying notes.

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

Achievements and performance (continued)

Review of activities

The CIO was established in 2015 with a donation of £1 million from Mr Ian Watson, a Trustee. The Board met two times during the period but also corresponded by email and spoke regularly to agree the payment of grants that are the subject of these financial statements. The grants were made to benefit local communities and for humanitarian purposes overseas. These totalled £15,399, and are detailed in note 5 to these financial statements.

• Investment policy and performance

The investment objective of the fund is to generate income and capital growth through active management of a diversified portfolio, with a moderate level of risk. Funds held on bank deposit provide absolute liquidity which is very low risk.

Financial review

Going concern

The CIO has cash and investment resources and no requirement for external funding. Almost all the CIO's expenditure is discretionary and only incurred if the CIO has sufficient resources to do so. Therefore, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the CIO has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future.

After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the CIO has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

Reserves policy

The Trustees do not currently intend to adopt a reserves policy as they may decide to expend capital in the short and medium term as they see fit. The CIO does not set itself grant targets as it does not wish to restrict itself in any way to make grants as the Trustees see fit in future periods.

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

Principal risks and uncertainties

The CIO is open to risks from poor investment performance and ineffective grant-making policies. They acknowledge that this might include any effect the coronavirus pandemic may have in the short term.

Poor investment performance is mitigated by retaining expert investment advisors who maintain a diversified investment portfolio, and who have full discretion to invest to maximise investment return.

Ineffective grant-making policies are mitigated by appointing experienced Trustees to the board who undertake proper due diligence in assessing applications.

Structure, governance and management

Methods of appointment or election of Trustees

The management of the CIO is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Constitution. There must be at least three Trustees and there is no maximum number of Trustees. With the exception of the first Trustees of the CIO (Mr Ian Watson, Mrs Claire Watson and Mr Mark Watson), Trustees are appointed for a three year term and may serve for three consecutive terms.

Trustees will be appointed by the current Board as the need arises, having regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for effective administration of the CIO.

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' 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 which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable incorporated organisation and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, 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 of the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards (FRS 102) have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements and;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable incorporated organisation will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charitable incorporated organisation's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable incorporated organisation and 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 charitable incorporated organisation and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

THE WATSON FAMILY CHARITABLE TRUST
RUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023
Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees on 19 January 2024 and signed on their behalf by:
Mr Ian Watson
Chairman

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of The Watson Family Charitable Trust ('the charitable incorporated organisation')

I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charitable incorporated organisation for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the Trustees of the charitable incorporated organisation you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charitable incorporated organisation's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent Examiner's Statement

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charitable incorporated organisation has prepared the accounts in accordance with 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) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has been withdrawn.

I understand that this has been done in order for the accounts to provide a true and fair view in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- 1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charitable incorporated organisation as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
- 2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- 3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

This report is made solely to the charitable incorporated organisation's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charitable incorporated organisation's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's Report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charitable incorporated organisation and the charitable incorporated organisation's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

Deborah Graham FCA

19 January 2024

Ryecroft Glenton

Chartered Accountants
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Newcastle upon Tyne, NE2 1QP

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £	Total funds 2022 £
Income from:				
Donations and legacies	2	7	7	13
Investments	3	8,882	8,882	7,157
Total income		8,889	8,889	7,170
Expenditure on:			_	
Investment management	4	1,471	1,471	1,615
Charitable activities:				
Grants paid in the year		15,399	15,399	40,718
Governance costs		2,640	2,640	2,496
Other		78	78	714
Total expenditure		19,588	19,588	45,543
Net expenditure before net (losses)/gains on investments		(10,699)	(10,699)	(38,373)
Net (losses)/gains on investments		(28,441)	(28,441)	12,932
Net (100000)/ gains on investments		(20,441)	(20,771)	72,302
Net movement in funds		(39,140)	(39,140)	(25,441)
Reconciliation of funds:				_
Total funds brought forward		548,034	548,034	573,475
Net movement in funds		(39,140)	(39,140)	(25,441)
Total funds carried forward		508,894	508,894	548,034

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

The notes on pages 9 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2023

	Note		2023 £		2022 £
Fixed assets	11010		~		~
Investments	10		502,506		523,557
		_	502,506	_	523,557
Current assets					
Cash at bank and in hand		9,392		30,034	
	_	9,392	_	30,034	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11	(3,004)		(5,557)	
Net current assets			6,388		24,477
Total assets less current liabilities		_	508,894	_	548,034
Total net assets		- =	508,894	=	548,034
Charity funds					
Unrestricted funds	12		508,894		548,034
Total funds		_	508,894	_	548,034
		-		-	

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees on 19 January 2024 and signed on their behalf by:

Mr Ian Watson

Chairman

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

1. Accounting policies

1.1 General Information

The Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) is registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales, number 1159965.

The CIO is a grant-making charity.

1.2 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) - 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 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

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 Charities SORP (FRS 102) published on 16 July 2014 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

The Watson Family Charitable Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

1.3 Going concern

The CIO has cash and investment resources and no requirement for external funding. Almost all the CIO's expenditure is discretionary and only incurred if the CIO has sufficient resources to do so. Therefore, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the CIO has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. They continue to believe the going concern basis of accounting to be appropriate in preparing these financial statements.

1.4 Income

All income is recognised once the charitable incorporated organisation has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

1. Accounting policies (continued)

1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure on raising funds includes all expenditure incurred by the charitable incorporated organisation to raise funds for its charitable purposes and includes costs of all fundraising activities events and non-charitable trading.

Expenditure on charitable activities is incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the charitable incorporated organisation's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

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

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

1.6 Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charitable incorporated organisation; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the institution with whom the funds are deposited.

1.7 Investments

Fixed asset investments are a form of financial instrument and are initially recognised at their transaction cost and subsequently measured at fair value at the Balance Sheet date, unless the value cannot be measured reliably in which case it is measured at cost less impairment. Investment gains and losses, whether realised or unrealised, are combined and presented as 'Gains/(Losses) on investments' in the Statement of Financial Activities.

1.8 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 charitable incorporated organisation and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Investment income, gains and losses are allocated to the appropriate fund.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

2. I	Income	from	donations	and	legacies
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Income from donations and legacies		
	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £
Donations		7
	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £
Donations		13
Investment income		
	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £
Income from local listed investments	8,704	8,704
Interest receivable	178	178
Total 2023	8,882	8,882
	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £
Income from local listed investments Interest receivable	7,156 1	7,156 1
Total 2022	7,157	7,157
	Donations Investment income Income from local listed investments Interest receivable Total 2023 Income from local listed investments Interest receivable	Unrestricted funds 2023

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

4. Investment management costs

		Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £
	Investment management fees	1,471	1,471
		Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £
	Investment management fees	1,615	1,615
5.	Grants to institutions		
		Grants to Institutions 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £
	Grants, Direct costs	15,399	15,399
		Grants to Institutions 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £
	Grants, Direct costs	40,718	40,718

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

5. Grants to institutions (continued)

The charitable incorporated organisation has made the following grants to institutions during the year:

	2023 £	2022 £
Name of institution		
Jessica's Sarcoma Awareness	219	-
Simonside Primary School	42	-
Recruitment Junction	-	4,000
Whickham School and Sports College	38	-
St George's Church Jesmond - for the community of Jesmond	7,350	10,758
Providence House Uganda	-	12,880
Love Burundi	-	9,000
Success 4 All	7,500	4,080
Tyneside Rotary Club	250	-
	15,399	40,718

6. Support costs

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £
Accountancy fees - governance	2,640	2,640
Sundry costs	78	78
Total 2023	2,718	2,718
Accountancy fees - governance	Unrestricted funds 2022 £ 2,496	Total funds 2022 £ 2,496
Sundry costs	78	78
Prior year accountancy under accrual	636	636
Total 2022	3,210	3,210

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

7. Analysis of charitable activities

	fund activ	rant ding ities 2023 £	Support costs 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £
	Charitable activities 15	,399	2,718	18,117
	Total 2023 15	,399	2,718	18,117
	fun activ	Grant oding vities 2022 £ ,718	Support costs 2022 £ 3,210	Total funds 2022 £ 43,928
8.	Independent examiner's remuneration			
			2023 £	2022 £
	Fees payable to the charitable incorporated organisation's independent examiner for the preparation and independent examination of the charit incorporated organisation's annual accounts, inclusive of VAT		2,640	2,496

9. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits (2022 - £NIL).

During the year, no Trustee expenses have been incurred (2022 - £NIL).

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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Tixed doset investments			
	Listed investments £	Cash held for re- investment £	Total £
Cost or valuation			
At 1 April 2022	520,154	3,403	523,557
Additions	-	7,390	7,390
Revaluations	(28,441)	-	(28,441)
At 31 March 2023	491,713	10,793	502,506
Net book value			
At 31 March 2023	491,713	10,793	502,506
At 31 March 2022	520,154	3,403	523,557
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year			
		2023 £	2022 £
Trade creditors		-	2,676
Accruals and deferred income		3,004	2,881
		3,004	5,557

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

12. Statement of funds

Statement of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 April 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 March 2023 £
Unrestricted funds					
General Funds	548,034	8,889	(19,588)	(28,441)	508,894
Statement of funds - prior	= r year				
·	•				Balance at
	Balance at			Gains/	31 March
	1 April 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	(Losses) £	2022 £
Unrestricted funds					
General Funds	573,475	7,170	(45,543)	12,932	548,034

13. Analysis of net assets between funds

Analysis of net assets between funds - current year

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £
Fixed asset investments	502,506	502,506
Current assets	9,392	9,392
Creditors due within one year	(3,004)	(3,004)
Total	508,894	508,894

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

13. Analysis of net assets between funds (continued)

Analysis of net assets between funds - prior year

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £
Fixed asset investments	523,557	523,557
Current assets	30,034	30,034
Creditors due within one year	(5,557)	(5,557)
Total	548,034	548,034

14. Related party transactions

There are no transactions with related parties that require disclosure.