Charity Number: 261194

Porter Foundation

Trustees' Annual Report and Financial Statements

For the year ended 5 April 2023

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Charity Information

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Report of the Trustees for the year ended 5 April 2023

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of Porter Foundation (the Foundation) for the year ended 5 April 2023. The Trustees confirm that the Annual Report and financial statements of the Foundation comply with the current statutory requirements, the requirements of the Foundation's governing document and the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP), 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).

Reference and administrative information

The Porter Foundation is registered as a charity with the Charity Commission, registration number 261194. Details of the Trustees and professional advisors are shown on page 1.

The figures presented are as at 31 March 2023, which is within 7 days of the year end, being the date the listed investment valuations are made up to.

Structure, governance and management

The Foundation was constituted under a deed of settlement dated 1 April 1970.

The current Trustees were appointed either under the deed of settlement or by later deed of appointment. The settlor, Dame Shirley Porter, has power to appoint new Trustees.

The current Trustees are responsible for the induction of any new Trustees which involves awareness of their responsibilities as Trustees, the governing document, administrative procedures and the history of the Foundation. A new Trustee would receive a welcome pack which includes copies of the previous year's annual report and accounts, a brief history of the Foundation and a copy of the governing document. The pack will also include a copy of the Charity Commission guidance "The Essential Trustee: What you need to know" and "Charities and Public Benefit."

The administration function is outsourced, and the Charity has no employees.

Consideration and authorisation of charitable donations and other operational matters are the responsibility of the Trustees. The Trustees meet regularly to consider applications for funding.

The Trustees have systems in place to identify any conflicts of interest that may occur. When a conflict of interest arises, the relevant Trustee or Trustees agree to withdraw from any discussion and decision.

Risk management

The Trustees have reviewed the areas of potential risk for the Foundation and have concluded that there are sufficient controls in place to mitigate those risks. The Trustees review risk management on a regular basis and where appropriate take advice from their advisors.

Objectives and activities for the benefit of the public

The Trustees have unrestricted powers to apply the Foundation's funds towards the charitable objects set out in the deed of settlement dated 1 April 1970.

The deed of settlement states that the Foundation's funds may be used for any charitable body or for any charitable purpose, with the proviso that no part of the funds may be applied for a purpose that is not legally charitable under English law.

The Foundation supports projects in the fields of education, the environment, culture, and health and welfare, which encourage excellence and enhance the quality of people's lives.

The Trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Foundation's aims and objectives and in planning for the future and in setting the grant making policy for the year.

Report of the Trustees for the year ended 5 April 2023

Objectives and activities for the benefit of the public (continued)

The Foundation makes grants only to registered charitable organisations in the United Kingdom and abroad, or to organisations in the United Kingdom or abroad with charitable objects and which are exempt from the requirement for charitable registration. No grants are made to individuals. The Foundation's main areas of activity are in the United Kingdom.

Achievements and performance in delivering public benefit

In the year the Trustees paid over or made commitments to charitable donations and grants payable totalling £300,432 (2022: £26,301), as detailed in note 3 to the accounts.

The Foundation funds projects which meet the general objectives of providing a public benefit by conducting research into environmental issues, improving community relations within Israel, providing care for the elderly and granting access to the arts.

Fundraising

Section 162a of the Charities Act 2011 requires charities to make a statement regarding fundraising activities. The legislation defines fundraising as "soliciting or otherwise procuring money or other property for charitable purposes". The charity does not actively raise funds from the public either directly or via use of an agent, according no such amounts are presented in the financial statements for the year under review.

Given the nature of the funding of the charity the Trustees consider that it remains appropriate not to be voluntarily bound to be regulated by the Fundraising Regulator.

The charity has received no complaints in relation to fundraising activity for the year under review.

Financial review

The Foundation recognised income of interest and dividends receivable in the year of £122,349 (2022: £11,029). The Foundation incurred expenditure of £336,783 (2022: £81,088) on charitable activities, excluding foreign exchange gains of £201,204 (2022: £64,024) on the retranslation of dollar denominated investments and cash deposits.

At 5 April 2023 the Foundation held £865,080 (2022: £787,023) in unrestricted funds and £3,865,148 (2022: £4,617,608) in the endowment fund.

Investment policy and performance

The Foundation's powers of investment are wide, with the Trustees able to invest in such stocks, shares, funds, securities and other property as the Trustees in their absolute discretion deem fit. The Foundation's funds are held in a mix of cash deposits and a long-term investment.

Reserves policy

The Trustees' policy is to prudently retain sufficient reserves to cover any long-term grant commitments. The Foundation provides for the payment of grants which are binding commitments, and which are to be funded out of reserves.

The level of free reserves at 5 April 2023 amounted to £865,080 (2022: £787,023). Free reserves comprise the assets of the charity which have not been ring-fenced in the endowment fund. The endowment fund is however expendable and has been designated by the Trustees as an endowment fund, it is not a permanent endowment and may be undesignated by the Trustees.

Report of the Trustees for the year ended 5 April 2023

Future plans

The Trustees intend to continue making grants to charitable institutions particularly those operating in the fields of education, the environment, culture, health and welfare.

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 period which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Foundation and of the financial activities of the Foundation 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;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Foundation will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Foundation's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Foundation and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the Foundation's governing document. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Foundation and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees on 29/1 2024.

Mr B Padgett - Trustee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Porter Foundation

I report on the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 5 April 2023 which are set out on pages 6 to 15.

This report is made solely to the Charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My independent examination work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Charity'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 Charity and the Charity's Trustees as a body, for my independent examination work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

Respective Responsibilities of the Trustees and Examiner

The Charity's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. The Charity's Trustees consider that an audit is not required for the year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

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

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

Alan Sidebottom

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Statement of Financial Activities (including Income and Expenditure Account) for the year ended 5 April 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
Income from:			
Investment income	2	122,349	11,029
Total income		122,349	11,029
Expenditure on:			
Investment management fees		109,917	94,942
Charitable activities	3	336,783	81,088
Foreign currency exchange (gains)/losses		(201,204)	(64,024)
Total expenditure		245,496	112,006
Net (expenditure) before other recognised gains		(123,147)	(100,977)
Net gains/(losses) on investments		(551,256)	14,269
Net movement in funds		(674,403)	(86,708)
Fund balances brought forward		5,404,631	5,491,339
Fund balances carried forward	9, 10	4,730,228	5,404,631

The notes on pages 8 to 15 form part of these financial statements.

All activities for the current and previous financial year relate to continuing operations.

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

All income and expenditure in this and the previous financial year relates to unrestricted funds.

Balance Sheet as at 5 April 2023

	Note 2023 2023	22			
		£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Investments	6		3,868,798		3,011,236
Current assets					
Debtors	7	309,097		315,208	
Cash at bank and in hand		561,884		2,089,951	
		870,981		2,405,159	
Creditors					
Amounts falling due within one year	8	(9,551)		(11,764)	
Net current assets			861,430		2,393,395
Net assets			4,730,228		5,404,631
Unrestricted funds:					
Capital funds					
Endowment funds	9,10		3,865,148		4,617,608
Income funds					
General unrestricted funds	9,10		865,080		787,023
Total funds	9,10		4,730,228		5,404,631

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 2014 and signed on their behalf by:

Mr B Padgett - Trustee

The notes on pages 8 to 15 form part of these financial statements.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 5 April 2023

Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies adopted, judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

1.1 Basis if preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis 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 (FRS102) (Charities SORP (FRS102)) and the Charities Act 2011.

The Porter Foundation is an unincorporated trust. Its principal place of business is 63 Grosvenor Street, London, W1K 3JG.

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

The financial statements are prepared in sterling which is the functional currency of the Charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £1.

The Porter Foundation meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

1.2 Going concern

The Trustees have prepared financial projections, taking into consideration the current economic climate and its potential impact on the sources of income and planned expenditure. They have a reasonable expectation that adequate financial resources are available to enable the Charity to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future, and have adequate contingency plans in the event that income streams are reduced. Thus, the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Income

Income is recognised in full in the Statement of Financial Activities ("SoFA") in the year in which it is receivable.

1.4 Income from investments

Dividend and interest income from investment funds is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the Charity; this is normally upon notification of dividends and interest paid or payable by the Fund Manager.

Interest income from cash deposits and listed investments is recognised in the accounts gross, when receivable.

1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure (excluding grants) is included in the SoFA on an accruals basis.

Charitable activities include support expenditure associated with the administration and issuing of grants.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 5 April 2023 (continued)

1.6 Grants

Grants payable are commitments (including payments) made to third parties in the furtherance of the charitable objectives of the Charity. Single or multi-year grants are accounted for as grants payable when either the recipient has a reasonable expectation that they will receive a grant and the Trustees have agreed to pay the grant without condition, or the recipient has a reasonable expectation that they will receive a grant and any condition attaching to the grant is outside the control of the Charity.

1.7 Fixed asset investments

Investments are a form of basic financial instrument.

Listed investments are stated at market value at the balance sheet date. The listed investment portfolio is held to generate returns and gains for the Charity and accordingly is designated as fair value through profit and loss ("FVTPL"). Under this designation the portfolio is revalued at each period end to its fair value, as determined by reference to quoted market prices and values determined by independent fund managers, with any gains or losses going through the SoFA.

Unlisted investments are initially measured at cost and are assessed for impairment at the end of each reporting period. These shares generate a good regular return by way of dividend and their yield generating ability has remained constant over the past years. There has been no indication of impairment of the unlisted securities at the year end.

1.8 Financial instruments

The Charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments. The Charity only has financial assets and liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments in accordance with section 11 of FRS 102. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and are subsequently measured at their settlement value.

The Charity does not acquire put options, derivatives or other complex financial instruments.

1.9 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity held for working capital.

1.10 Creditors, loans and provisions

Creditors, loans and provisions are recognised where the Charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors, loans and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

Financial liabilities are derecognised when, and only when, obligations are discharged, cancelled or they expire.

Amounts recognised as provisions are best estimates of the consideration required to settle the present obligation at the reporting end date, taking into account the risks and uncertainties surrounding the obligation.

1.11 Foreign currency translation

Transactions denominated in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate ruling at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. All differences are taken to the SoFA.

1.12 Taxation

Porter Foundation is a registered Charity and as such is a Charity within the meaning of Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010. Accordingly, the Charity is potentially entitled to tax exemption under part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 in respect of income and gains arising.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 5 April 2023 (continued)

1.13 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the Charity's accounting policies, the Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates. The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised, if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

The Trustees have judged that there are no estimates or judgements that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amount of assets and liabilities.

1.14 Endowment fund

The endowment fund is attributable to the original amount settled on the Foundation, subsequent settlements on the Foundation and accumulated capital gains and losses thereon. Under the terms of the deed of settlement, the endowment is expendable at the discretion of the Trustees on expenditure which meets the charitable objectives of the Foundation.

1.15 Unrestricted fund

The unrestricted fund is attributable to the net income generated on the endowment fund. The unrestricted fund is expendable at the discretion of the Trustees on expenditure which meets the charitable objects of the Foundation.

2. Income

Investment income	2023 £	2022 £
Bank interest receivable – UK	63,846	43
Bank interest receivable - Overseas	25,766	4,142
Dividends received – UK	16,309	204
Dividends received – Overseas	16,428	6,640
	122,349	11,029

In the year ended 5 April 2023 and the year ended 5 April 2022, all investment income related to unrestricted funds.

3. Charitable activities

	2023 £	2022
		£
Support costs (note 3.1)	36,351	54,787
Grants payable (note 3.2)	300,432	26,301
	336,783	81,088

In the year ended 5 April 2023 and the year ended 5 April 2022, all costs of charitable activities related to unrestricted funds.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 5 April 2023

3.1 Allocation of support costs and overheads

Year ended 5 April 2023	Governance costs £	Charitable activities £	2023 Total £	Basis of allocation
	-		_	
Accountancy fees	11,770	-	11,770	Direct
Administrative fees	-	19,847	19,847	Direct
Professional fees	-	464	464	Direct
Other costs	3	4,270	4,270	Direct
	11,770	24,581	36,351	

Year ended 5 April 2022	Governance costs £	Charitable activities £	2022 Total £	Basis of allocation
Accountancy fees	5,154	_	5,154	Direct
Administrative fees	7	47,446	47,446	Direct
Other costs	2	2,187	2,187	Direct
	5,154	49,633	54,787	

Included within accountancy fees above are the Examiner's accountancy services fee of £8,608 (2022 - £4,295) and Independent Examination fee of £1,200 (2022 - £nil). Figures above include VAT.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 5 April 2023

3.2 Grants payable

	2023	2022
	£	£
Grants to institutions comprise:		
The Rifles	5,000	2
Israel Friends of Beit Hatfutsot Association	32,962	-
Royal Opera House Coven Garden Foundation	30,000	-
Molesey Boat Club	13,000	
Holon Theatre Music & Dance	29,686	-
The Rotary Club	5,000	-
Yehoraz Foundation	16,512	-
The Olympic Committee of Israel	32,971	
Beit Hagefen	42,897	
The Israeli Opera Tel Aviv	46,752	-
The Cameri Theatre of Tel Aviv	32,442	÷
Norwood Ravenswood	-	10,000
Friends of Daniel for Rowing	-	10,044
On-Contemporary Circus Creation	<u>~</u>	5,044
Other donations individually less than £5,000 each	13,210	1,213
Total grants	300,432	26,301
Balance committed at the start of the year	-	(+
Grants committed	300,432	26,301
Grants paid in the year	(300,432)	(26,301)
Balance committed at the end of the year	-	-

All the above donations were made to charitable institutions.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 5 April 2023

4 Trustees

None of the Trustees received any remuneration or any other benefits from the Foundation during the year or in the previous year.

None of the Trustees received any reimbursement of expenses during the year or in the previous year.

5 Employees

The charity did not have any employees during the year or in the previous year.

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Year ended 5 April 2023	Unlisted equities £	Bonds £	Other investments £	2023 £
Brought forward valuation		6,037	3,005,199	3,011,236
Additions	(a)	21,691,391	2,271,076	23,962,467
Disposals	(#2	(20,756,158)	(2,068,257)	(22,824,415)
Realised and unrealised gains/(losses)	-	(656)	(469,475)	(470,131)
Foreign exchange gains/(losses)	•	6,237	183,404	189,641
Carried forward valuation	=	946,851	2,921,947	3,868,798
Historical cost	*	935,475	2,931,815	3,867,290

Year ended 5 April 2022	Unlisted equities £	Bonds £	Other investments £	2022 £
Brought forward valuation	4,046,008	53,578	1,002,259	5,101,845
Additions		5,561	3,161,246	3,166,807
Disposals	(4,046,008)	(57,108)	(1,295,950)	(5,399,066)
Realised and unrealised gains/(losses)	745	3,045	47,172	50,217
Foreign exchange gains/(losses)	-	961	90,472	91,433
Carried forward valuation	-	6,037	3,005,199	3,011,236
Historical cost		243	2,728,996	2,729,239

Investments held are analysed as follows:	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Bonds – unitised listed investment held at market value	246,851	6,037
Bonds - Multi class investments held at market value	700,000	-
Other Investments - Equities held at market value	2,353,422	1,983,890
Other Investments - Commodities held at market value	407,670	541,521
Other Investments – Multi class investments held at market value	160,855	479,788
	3,868,798	3,011,236

At the current and previous financial year end, all investments were held overseas.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 5 April 2023

7 Debtors

	2023 £	2022 £
Prepayments		6,111
Other debtors	309,097	309,097
	309,097	315,208

8 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Accruals	9,551	4,530
Other creditors		4,530 7,234
	9,551	11,764

9 Movement in funds

Year ended 5 April 2023	Balance at 6 April 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Other recognised gains/ (losses) £	Balance at 5 April 2023 £
Endowment fund	4,617,608	122 240	(201,204)	(551,256)	3,865,148
General unrestricted fund	787,023 5,404,631	122,349 122,349	(44,292) (245,496)	(551,256)	865,080 4,730,228

Year ended 5 April 2022	Balance at 6 April 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Other recognised gains/ (losses) £	Balance at 5 April 2022 £
Endowment fund General unrestricted fund	4,617,608 873,731	11,029	(112,006)	- 14,269	4,617,608 787,023
	5,491,339	11,029	(112,006)	14,269	5,404,631

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 5 April 2023

10 Analysis of net assets between funds

As at 5 April 2023	General unrestricted fund £	Endowment fund £	Total 2022 £
Fixed asset investments	-	3,868,798	3,868,798
Current assets	870,981	-	870,981
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(5,901)	(3,650)	(9,551)
	865,080	3,865,148	4,730,228

As at 5 April 2022	General unrestricted fund £	Endowment fund £	Total 2021 £
Fixed asset investments	-	3,011,236	3,011,236
Current assets	798,787	1,606,372	2,405,159
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(11,764)	-	(11,764)
	787,023	4,617,608	5,404,631

11 Related party transactions

The charity made payments on behalf of another charity, Porter Foundation Switzerland. This is a charity with some common trustees. In the year, there were no payments made on their behalf. As at 5 April 2023, amounts due back from Porter Foundation Switzerland totalled £309,097 (2022 - £309,097).

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Detailed Income and Expenditure Account for the Year Ended 5 April 2023

	2023		202	2022
	£	£	£	£
Income				
Dividends & Interest received		122,349		11,029
Expenditure				
Direct charitable expenditure:				
Charitable donations	300,432		26,301	
	300,432		26,301	
Other expenditure:				
Accountancy fees	11,770		5,154	
Consultancy fees	13,735		18,143	
Administration fees	6,111		29,303	
General expenses	241		95	
Bank charges	4,030		2,092	
Legal expenses	464		2	
Investment management fees	109,917		94,942	
Exchange (gains)/losses	(201,204)		(64,024)	
	(54,936)		85,705	
		(245,496)		(112,006)
Net deficit for the year		(123,147)		(100,977)