

**THE ROBERT ROGERS AND ELIZABETH GRASVENOR TRUST**

**Charity Number 264889**

**TRUSTEE'S ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS**

**Year ended 30 June 2019**

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## **The Trustee's Annual Report for the year to 30 June 2019**

The Robert Rogers and Elizabeth Grasvenor Trust is registered with the Charity Commission (No. 264889) and constituted by a Scheme of the Chancery Court dated 1845. The Scheme covers the Will Trust of Robert Rogers dated 11 September 1601 and the Will Trust of Elizabeth Grasvenor dated 30 November 1555.

The Charity's registered address is 7 St Helen's Place London EC3A 6AB. The Charity trustee is The Leathersellers' Company acting through its Court of Assistants. The members of the Court are listed on page 2.

The object of the charity is to provide benefactions to registered Charities for the relief of the poor and The Robert Rogers Educational Foundation in equal parts.

Income is provided from permanent endowments, held in the form of investment properties and Property Unit Trust units, investments in The Equities Investment Fund for Charities ("Charifund") and from cash deposits. Details of the investments are shown on page 7.

During the year the Charity made payments to the beneficiaries totalling £75,255.

When setting the objectives and planning the work of the charity for the year, the trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

### **Statement of trustee's responsibilities**

The trustee is responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations and the provisions of the Charity's trust deed. The trustee is 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.

In accordance with Section 133 of the Charities Act 2011, as the Trust's gross income does not exceed £250,000, the trustee has elected to prepare a receipts and payments account and a statement of assets and liabilities as its annual statement of accounts.

Approved by the Trustee on 6 November 2019 and signed on its behalf by:



**C C Barrow**

## THE ROBERT ROGERS AND ELIZABETH GRASVENOR TRUST

### Members of the Court of Assistants of the Leathersellers' Company for the year ended 30 June 2019

A A Barrow	Master	To 18 July 2018
M J Bradly Russell FCA	Master	From 18 July 2018
M J Bradly Russell FCA	Second Warden	To 18 July 2018
C C Barrow	Second Warden	From 18 July 2018
J A M Muirhead OBE DL	Third Warden	To 18 July 2018
G A B Lister	Third Warden	From 18 July 2018
T N B Lister FCA	Fourth Warden	To 18 July 2018
C T G Williams	Fourth Warden	From 18 July 2018

#### Assistants:

M R Binyon OBE  
C P Barrow  
N R Pullman  
M L B Emley  
M P E Pellereau BSc FRICS  
M W Pebody BA  
Dr A Watson CBE  
His Honour A C L Thornton QC  
I A Russell MBE  
P B Newton BSc  
A B Strong  
M D J Dove BA FCA AKC  
G G Bacon  
R N Tusting MA Cantab  
M G Williams  
P G Williams  
D H Barrow  
Mrs C J Lennon  
W J C Lang  
R J Chard  
Dr T J C Fooks FRCGP  
H G Williams  
J A M Muirhead OBE DL

Appointed 6 March 2019

#### CHANGES AFTER YEAR END:

The Third and Fourth Wardens retire from the Court annually. On 17 July 2019 M T Berman and W R J Cock were elected Third and Fourth Wardens respectively. P B Newton retired on 17 July 2019. With these exceptions and as noted above all the people listed were members of the Court of Assistants on 6 November 2019.

On 17 July 2019 C C Barrow was elected Master and J A M Muirhead was elected Second Warden.

## **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEE OF THE ROBERT ROGERS AND ELIZABETH GRASVENOR TRUST**

### **Opinion**

We have audited the account and statement of The Robert Rogers and Elizabeth Grasvenor Trust (the 'charity') for the year ended 30 June 2019 which comprise the receipts and payments account, the statement of assets and liabilities and the notes to the account and statement, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and the receipts and payments basis.

In our opinion, the account and statement:

- ◆ properly present the receipts and payments of the charity for the year ended 30 June 2019 and its assets and liabilities as at the end of that year;
- ◆ adequately distinguish any material special trust or other fund of the charity other than an unrestricted fund; 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 account and statement section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the account and statement 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**

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- ◆ the Trustee's use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the account and statement is not appropriate; or
- ◆ the Trustee has not disclosed in the account and statement any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the charity's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the account and statement are authorised for issue.

## **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEE OF THE ROBERT ROGERS AND ELIZABETH GRASVENOR TRUST (continued)**

### **Other information**

The Trustee is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the account and statement and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the account and statement does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the account and statement, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the account and statement 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 in the account and statement or 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.

### **Matters on which we are required to report by exception**

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Charities Act 2011 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- ◆ sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- ◆ the account and statement are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- ◆ we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

### **Responsibilities of Trustee**

As explained more fully in the Trustee's responsibilities statement, the Trustee is responsible for the preparation of the account and statement, and for such internal control as the Trustee determines is necessary to enable the preparation of an account and statement that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the account and statement, the Trustee is 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 Trustee either intends to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

### **Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the account and statement**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the account and statement 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 this account and statement.

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEE OF  
THE ROBERT ROGERS AND ELIZABETH GRASVENOR TRUST (continued)**

**Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the account and statement (continued)**

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the account and statement is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at [www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities](http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities). This description forms part of our auditor's report.

**Use of our report**

This report is made solely to the charity's Trustee, as a body, in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 and with regulations made under section 154 of that Act. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's Trustee 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 Trustee as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



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Buzzacott LLP is eligible to act as an auditor in terms of section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

# THE ROBERT ROGERS AND ELIZABETH GRASVENOR TRUST

## RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2019

	2019 £	2018 £
<b>Income Receipts</b>		
Rents Received	435	435
Investment Income	78,570	74,523
Bank Interest Received	116	53
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>79,121</b>	<b>75,011</b>
<b>Direct Charitable Expenditure</b>		
Payments to Beneficiaries		
The Leathersellers' Charitable Fund	36,617	-
The Leathersellers' Barnet Charity	-	34,670
The Robert Rogers Educational Foundation	38,638	36,617
	75,255	71,287
<b>Other Expenditure</b>		
Management and Administration		
Audit Fees	1,800	1,740
Other expenses	46	37
	1,846	1,777
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>77,101</b>	<b>73,064</b>
<b>Net Receipts for the Year</b>	<b>2,020</b>	<b>1,947</b>
Cash and Bank Balances at 30 June 2018	36,617	34,670
<b>Cash and Bank Balances at 30 June 2019</b>	<b>38,637</b>	<b>36,617</b>

*The notes on pages 8 form part of these accounts.*

# THE ROBERT ROGERS AND ELIZABETH GRASVENOR TRUST

## STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AT 30 JUNE 2019

	2019 £	2018 £
<b>Monetary Assets</b>		
Bank and Cash Balances		
Bank deposit accounts	37,750	35,736
Bank current account	887	881
<b>Total for General Purposes as above</b>	<u>38,637</u>	<u>36,617</u>

### Non-Monetary Assets


#### Permanent Endowments

##### Investment Assets

Land and Buildings (see Note 2)

	<u>Units</u>	<u>Cost</u> £	<u>Market value</u> £
Quoted Investments held by the trustee- Unit Trusts:			
M&G Charifund Units	89,817	1,131,650	1,426,752
Hermes Property Fund	26,915	<u>117,000</u>	<u>183,157</u>
		<u>1,248,650</u>	<u>1,609,909</u>

The account set out on page 6 for the year ended 30 June 2019 and the statement of assets and liabilities at that date set out above, together with the notes on page 8 were approved by the Trustee on 6 November 2019 and were signed on its behalf by:



**C C Barrow**

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## Notes to the Accounts for the year to 30 June 2019

### 1. Principal Accounting Policy - Basis of Accounting

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis and comply with the requirements of Section 133 of the Charities Act 2011.

### 2. Investment Assets

#### Land and Buildings

The investment assets are land endowed to the Trust under the Wills of Elizabeth Grasvenor (30 November 1555) and Robert Rogers (11 September 1601).

Land, situate at:

Great North Road, Barnet, Hertfordshire

### 3. Controlling Entity and Connected Charities

The Leathersellers' Company also acts as sole Trustee, or its members provide a majority of trustees, to other charities as below:

The National Leathersellers' College  
The Leathersellers' Company Charitable Fund  
The Leathersellers' Barnet Charity  
The Robert Rogers Educational Foundation  
Colfe's Educational Foundation  
Colfe's School

The Trust provides funds for other Trusts of which The Leathersellers' Company is sole trustee. Payments during the year were:

	2019	2018
Trust	£	£
The Leathersellers' Company Charitable Fund	36,617	-
The Leathersellers' Barnet Charity	-	34,670
The Robert Rogers Educational Foundation	<u>38,638</u>	<u>36,617</u>
Total	<u>75,255</u>	<u>71,287</u>

There were no other transactions with connected charities or The Leathersellers' Company during the year under review or the previous year.

