# The Rothschild Archive Limited

A charitable company limited by guarantee

Report and financial statements

For the year ended 31 March 2020



Charity registration number: 1075340 Company registration number: 3702208 (England & Wales)

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# **Charity details**

**DIRECTORS AND TRUSTEES:** Baron Eric de Rothschild (Chairman)

Julien de Beaumarchais

Anthony Chapman (resigned December 2020)

John Grimond

Kate Rothschild

Baroness Ariane de Rothschild

Professor Emma Rothschild

Lionel de Rothschild

David Todd

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# Report of the Directors

The Directors, who are also the trustees of The Rothschild Archive Limited ("the charity"), present their Directors' report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2020, which have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on pages 17-18 and comply with the charity's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Charities Act 2011, Companies Act 2006 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 Republic of Ireland. The information on page 3 forms part of this report.

## **Governing Documents**

The charity is a company limited by guarantee governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 27 January 1999.

# **Objects and Strategy**

The charity's objects are to advance education for the public benefit by the acquisition, preservation and maintenance of the books, letters, manuscripts, other papers, chattels or artefacts which are or were previously in the ownership of the Rothschild family or the Rothschild family businesses for study by such scholars and other purposes as the charity considers appropriate. In particular, the charity will seek to encourage and develop increased access to these materials by the academic community and to make them more widely available by publication, exhibition and electronic distribution.

The Directors regularly review the charity's objects and activities to ensure they continue to reflect these aims. As part of these reviews, the Directors have considered the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

The charity has granted a licence in respect of the archive to N M Rothschild & Sons Limited. Under the licence, N M Rothschild & Sons Limited maintains and administers the archive at its sole expense in furtherance of the charity's objectives and under the overall direction of the Directors of the charity. In return, N M Rothschild & Sons Limited enjoys certain rights to exploit the archive for the purposes of its business.

#### Structure, governance and management

The Directors (who are also the trustees for the purposes of charity law) of the charity who held office during the year, and to the date of this report, were as follows:

Baron Eric de Rothschild (Chairman)
Julien de Beaumarchais
Anthony Chapman (resigned December 2020)
John Grimond
Kate Rothschild
Baroness Ariane de Rothschild
Professor Emma Rothschild
Lionel de Rothschild
David Todd

The number of Directors shall not be fewer than three and shall not exceed eleven. At all times a majority of the Directors shall be members of the Rothschild family. New Directors may be appointed by current Directors to fill a casual vacancy or as additional trustees. Such appointments shall be confirmed by the members by ordinary resolution. The board may appoint one of their number to be Chairman. The quorum for Directors' meetings is one third of the board of Directors and attendance may be by conference phone call. The Directors have established an investment sub-

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committee and an academic sub-committee. The Directors may delegate any of their powers to a committee consisting of one or more Directors. The board of Directors meets regularly as required.

The Directors have been supported throughout the year by the Secretary to the charity, and by the staff of the Archive.

The Directors consider that the board of Directors comprise the key management personnel of the charity in charge of directing, controlling and managing the charity on a day-to-day basis. All Directors give of their time freely and no Director received remuneration in the year. Details of directors' expenses and related party transactions are disclosed in notes 5 and 13 to the accounts.

New members of the board are provided with the published guidance for trustees issued by the Charity Commission and directed to the resources available on the organisation's website. Previous publications and accounts of the Archive are also made available. New members additionally meet with the Secretary, in advance of their first board meeting, so that they can familiarise themselves with the work of the Archive.

## Achievements and performance

Directors meet regularly to review the work carried out by the archivists in support of the educational objectives of the Trust.

A scheduled meeting went ahead remotely on the eve of a UK government-imposed lockdown, in response to the spread of COVID-19, as the staff of the Archive began to work from home.

Thanks to the strong support of the IT department of Rothschild & Co combined with the Archive's own Business Continuity plan, the archivists were able to continue their connection with researchers from around the world.

The Archive engages with a community much broader than the academic researchers who use the collections in person or remotely via the website. This year saw a particularly diverse range of collaborations coming to fruition in 2020 which highlight the richness of the collections and their relevance to a wide range of interests.

Plans to develop the Jewish Museum in Frankfurt, housed in a former Rothschild family property, involved a reinterpretation of Jewish history in the city. The Archive is the major lender of items to the Museum's permanent gallery.

#### https://www.juedischesmuseum.de/en/

The Archive contributed to a major initiative to celebrate and promote Jewish archives in Britain. Hidden Treasures includes contributions from the Archive on its website.

#### https://celebratingjewisharchives.org/the-archives/

The centenary of a daily City of London institution for setting the price of gold fell in September 2019. N M Rothschild & Sons was appointed the first chair of the market, and the meetings took place at its London offices until 2004. The archivists provided information and loaned digital assets to the London Bullion Market Association, which took the lead in organising commemorative events. Additionally the Archive loaned an item relating to the gold fixing to the Bank of England Museum for its 325th anniversary exhibition.

## http://www.lbma.org.uk/gold-price-centenary

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Coins relating to the Rothschild family's support of the British Government during the Napoleonic Wars were lent to The Royal Mint Museum for a temporary exhibition, Currency Undercover.

The archivists also lent support to the Evelina London's commemoration of its 150th anniversary, by making items available for a film about the hospital's history and contributing to information boards at the hospital.

https://www.evelinalondon.nhs.uk/about-us/who-we-are/history/our-history.aspx

A new member of staff joined the Archive team to help support the development of digital strategies.

#### **Future plans**

The impact of COVID-19 on research has been considerable. It was not possible to receive visitors to the reading room in London from March 2020, but there was little demand. The archivists are preparing a programme of work that can be responsive to unknown circumstances in the months ahead.

#### **Fundraising**

The Trustees take seriously their responsibilities under the Charities (Protection and Social Investment) Act 2016 in respect of fundraising activities. The Archive is supported by a number of businesses and foundations controlled by members of the Rothschild family. It does not carry out any fundraising activity in order to raise funds from the general public. The Archive does not work directly with commercial sponsors or engage professional fundraisers. The Trustees are not aware of any complaints made in respect of fundraising during the year.

Further information on the Archive's collections and activities can be found on the website: https://www.rothschildarchive.org/

## Review of financial position and reserves policy

During the year, the Archive received income of £1,503,623 (2019: £1,507,859) of which £1,422,432 (2019: £1,368,275) related to donated services and, £30,335 (2019: £93,925) related to additions to the Archive. The income was applied to furthering the objects of the charity.

The net assets of the charity decreased by £115,930 during the year to £22,786,219 (2019: £22,902,149), largely due to valuation losses on the investment portfolio.

The unrestricted funds at 31 March 2020 of £78,052 will be retained to finance the charity's policy of charitable support. The restricted funds at 31 March 2020 will be retained to build a reserve against future need in relation to the long-term welfare of the collections in the Archive.

The Directors consider that no target is necessary for free reserves. Running costs are secured from N M Rothschild & Sons and the free reserve funds are adequate to support the small number of transactions each year.

#### Investment policy

The Directors intend that the real value of the charity's funds be maintained and enhanced over the long term by investment in a suitable portfolio. The Directors have appointed Rothschild Wealth Management (UK) Limited as discretionary investment managers.

The principal objective of the investment strategy is capital preservation with a focus on safety, consistent with a tolerance for low risk of capital loss and low volatility of return.

# **Grant policy**

A limited number of Rothschild Archive Bursaries are available for researchers in full-time education who are pursuing research projects that will involve substantial use of The Rothschild Archive. The bursaries are designed to provide practical assistance with travel, accommodation or incidental costs associated with such work, rather than covering the full cost of research. The maximum sum usually granted to a successful applicant is £3,000. The Bursary and Education Committee reviews each application.

#### Guarantors

At 31 March 2020, there were nine members of the charity, being the nine trustees listed on page 3. The liability of each of the members of the charity in the event of a winding-up is limited by guarantee to £1.

# Internal controls and the mitigation of major risks

The Directors have identified and reviewed the major risks of the charity which are the safeguarding of assets held and market risks relating to the holding of investments. Internal controls to mitigate these risks, including an annual review, have been established. The Directors confirm that the controls implemented are appropriate to the size of the charity and the nature of its operation.

# Statement of Directors' responsibilities

The Directors (who are also the trustees for the purposes of charity law) are responsible for preparing the report of the Directors and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom accounting standards.

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial period which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, the Directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP (FRS102);
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK 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 charitable company will continue in business.

The Directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

## Statement as to disclosure of information to auditor

The Directors who were in office at the date of approval of these financial statements have confirmed, as far as they are aware, that there is no relevant audit information of which the auditor is unaware. Each of the Directors has confirmed that they have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as Directors in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that it has been communicated to the auditor.

#### **Auditor**

Pursuant to Section 487 of the Companies Act 2006, the auditor will be deemed to be reappointed and Saffery Champness LLP will therefore continue in office.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

By Order of the Board

Melanie Aspey, Secretary

New Court, St Swithin's Lane, London EC4N 8AL

Mitspey 28 February 2021

# Independent auditor's report to the members of The Rothschild Archive Limited

## **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of Rothschild Archive Limited for the year ended 31 March 2020 which comprise the statement of financial activities, balance sheet, statement of cash flows 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 charitable company's state of affairs as at 31
  March 2020 and of its incoming resources and application of resources,
  including its income and expenditure, 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 Companies Act 2006.

## 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 charitable company 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

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 Directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the Directors have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the charitable company'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 financial statements are authorised for issue.

## Other information

The Directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the 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.

# Independent auditors' report to the members of The Rothschild Archive Limited (continued)

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 in the financial statements 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.

# Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the Report of the Directors for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Report of the Directors has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

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

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Report of the Directors.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the Directors were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and to take advantage of the small companies exemption in preparing the Report of the Directors.

# Independent auditors' report to the members of The Rothschild Archive Limited (continued)

## Responsibilities of directors

As explained more fully in the Statement of Directors' responsibilities set out on page 7, the Directors (who are also trustees of the charitable company for the purposes of charity law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they 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 Directors are responsible for assessing the charitable company'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 Directors either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative to do so.

# Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditors under the Companies Act 2006 and report in accordance with 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.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: <a href="https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities">www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities</a>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

# Independent auditors' report to the members of The Rothschild Archive Limited (continued)

# Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members and the Directors, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members 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 charitable company, the charitable company's members and directors as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Claire Wills (Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of Saffery Champness LLP

**Chartered Accountants** 

71 Queen Victoria Street

London

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Statutory Auditors

Date: 04.03.2021

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

# Statement of financial activities

For the year ended 31 March 2020

	Note	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2020	Total 2019
						(Note 14)
		£	£	£	£	£
Income and endowments from:						
Donations	2(a)	~	1,422,432	30,335	1,452,767	1,462,200
Investments	2(b)	37	47,957	-	47,994	47,536
		37	1,470,389	30,335	1,500,761	1,509,736
Expenditure:		-		<del></del>	<u></u>	
Raising funds	3	-	32,931	• -	32,931	30,779
Charitable activities	4	9,180	1,422,432	-	1,431,612	1,381,470
	•	9,180	1,455,363	-	1,464,543	1,412,249
		(9,143)	15,026	30,335	36,218	97,487
Net (losses)/gains on investments	7	-	(155,010)	-	(155,010)	262,149
FX (losses)/gains		-	2,862	-	2,862	(1,877)
Net income/(expenditure) and Net movement in funds	-	(9,143)	(137,122)	30,335	(115,930)	357,759
Total funds brought forward		87,195	4,664,226	18,150,728	22,902,149	22,544,390
Total funds carried forward	10	78,052	4,527,104	18,181,063	22,786,219	22,902,149

All income arises from continuing activities of the Charity. The Charity had no recognised gains or losses other than those dealt with in the statement of financial activities.

# Summary income and expenditure

# For the year ended 31 March 2020

	2020	2019
	£	£
Total income	1,470,426	1,415,811
Total expenditure	(1,464,543)	(1,412,249)
Realised and unrealised gains/(losses) on revaluation of investments	(155,010)	262,149
FX (losses)/gains	2,862	(1,877)
Surplus for the year	(146,265)	263,834

Total income comprises £1,470,389 for restricted funds and £37 for unrestricted funds. Expenditure comprises £1,455,363 for restricted funds and £9,180 for unrestricted funds. The revaluation of investments excludes the permanent endowment funds.

A detailed analysis of income and expenditure by source is provided in the Statement of financial activities.

The summary Income and Expenditure Account is derived from the Statement of financial activities which together with the notes to the financial statements on pages 17 to 27 provide full information on the movement during the year on all funds of the charity.

The notes on pages 17 to 27 form an integral part of these financial statements

# **Balance sheet**

## At 31 March 2020

	Note	2020	2019
		£	£
Fixed assets			
Heritage assets	6	18,846,482	18,816,147
Investments	7	3,585,674	3,725,297
		22,432,156	22,541,444
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents		376,923	383,565
		376,923	383,565
Liabilities			
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	8	7,860	7,860
Net current assets		369,063	375,705
Total assets less current liabilities		22,801,219	22,917,149
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year	8	15,000	15,000
Total net assets		22,786,219	22,902,149
Funds			
Endowments		7,443,444	7,413,109
Revaluation reserve		10,737,619	10,737,619
	11	18,181,063	18,150,728
Restricted	11	4,527,104	4,664,226
Unrestricted	11	78,052	87,195
Total charity funds		22,786,219	22,902,149

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The accounts on pages 13 to 27 were approved by the Board of Directors and were signed on its behalf by:

Lionel de Rothschild, Trustee

The notes on pages 17 to 27 form an integral part of these financial statements

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# Statement of cash flows

# For the year ended 31 March 2020

	Note	2020	2019
		£	£
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net income for the year		(115,930)	357,759
Adjustments for:			
Donated assets	2a	(30,335)	(93,925)
Investment income	2b	(47,994)	(47,536)
Investment management fees	3	32,931	30,779
Net gains/(losses) on investments	7	155,010	(262,149)
Decrease/(increase) in debtors		-	6,982
(Decrease)/increase in creditors	8	-	(9,480)
Net cash flows from operating activities	•	(6,318)	(17,570)
Cash flows from investing activities			
Dividends and interest from investments	2b	47,994	47,536
Investment management fees	3	(32,931)	(30,779)
Purchase of investments	7	(651,209)	(676,716)
Proceeds from sale of investments	. 7	702,599	880,446
Net movement in managed cash balance	7	(66,777)	54,936
Net cash flows from investing activities		(324)	275,423
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Change in cash and cash equivalents in reporting period		(6,642)	257,853
Cash and cash equivalents brought		(0,042)	257,033
forward		383,565	125,712
Cash and cash equivalents carried			
forward	9	376,923	383,565

The notes on pages 17 to 27 form an integral part of these financial statements

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# 1. Summary of significant accounting policies

#### Basis of preparation

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of certain fixed asset investments, and applicable accounting standards in the United Kingdom. The financial statements have been prepared in £ sterling and 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 (Charities SORP (FRS 102) second edition), the Companies Act 2006 and the Charities Act 2011.

The principal accounting policies set out below have been consistently applied in the presentation of the financial statements except where noted.

The Charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by Financial Reporting Standard 102 (FRS102).

At the time of preparing these accounts the Directors have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Directors continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

The archivists have been able to support researchers and general enquirers during various lockdown restrictions imposed since March 2020. The Director believes that the new working patterns will enable the Trustees to fulfil their charitable objects in the forthcoming year.

#### Income

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

#### Voluntary income

Donations are recognised when the charity has been notified in writing of both the amount and settlement date. In the event that a donation is subject to conditions that require a level of performance before the charity is entitled to the funds, the income is deferred and not recognised until either those conditions are fully met, or the fulfilment of those conditions is wholly within the control of the charity and it is probable that those conditions will be fulfilled in the reporting period.

#### Investment income

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the bank. Dividends are recognised once the dividend has been declared and notification has been received of the dividend due. This is normally upon notification by our investment advisor of the dividend yield of the investment portfolio.

## Donated services and gifts in kind

Donated professional services and gifts in kind are recognised as income when the charity has entitlement, any conditions associated with the donated item have been met, the receipt of economic benefit from the use by the charity of the item is probable and that economic benefit can be measured reliably.

On receipt, donated professional services and gifts in kind are recognised on the basis of the value of the gift to the charity which is the amount the charity would have been willing to pay to obtain services or facilities of equivalent economic benefit on the open market; a corresponding amount is then recognised in expenditure in the period of receipt.

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## Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

## **Expenditure**

Expenditure (including VAT) is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. The charity is not able to reclaim VAT incurred on its expenditure.

Charitable expenditure comprises direct expenses incurred on the defined charitable purposes of the charity. Grants are recognised in full in the statement of financial activities in the year in which the award is made.

#### Heritage assets

Heritage assets are recognised in the balance sheet at a valuation determined by the Directors. Professional valuations of the archive occur on a periodic basis and the Directors review the carrying value in the intervening periods. No depreciation has been provided as the assets are carried at valuation. Any gifts of archive assets are treated as heritage assets and included at valuation.

#### Investments

Investments are a form of basic financial instrument and are initially recognised at their transaction value and subsequently measured at their fair value as at the balance sheet date using the market value. The statement of financial activities includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluation and disposals throughout the year.

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

#### **Fund accounting**

The unrestricted funds comprise those monies which may be used towards meeting the charitable objects of the charity at the discretion of the Directors.

The restricted funds comprise those monies subject to donor imposed conditions.

The endowment fund comprises those inalienable heritage assets and funds that have been donated to the charity subject to the restriction that they must be held as capital and used towards meeting the charitable objects of the charity.

#### Liabilities

Liabilities are recognised when the entity has an obligation to transfer economic benefits as a result of past transactions or events.

#### **Financial instruments**

The charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

#### Significant judgements

The Directors consider that the most significant judgement area in the application of the accounting policies is the valuation of heritage assets which is set out in note 6.

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# 2. Income and endowments

# a. Donations

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£
Income and endowments from:				
Donated gifts and services	-	1,422,432	30,335	1,452,767
	•	1,422,432	30,335	1,452,767
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2019
	£	£	£	£
Income and endowments from:				
Donated gifts and service	-	1,368,275	93,925	1,462,200
	-	1,368,275	93,925	1,462,200
he donated gifts and services were applied to the	ne activities of	the charity	as follows:	
			2020	2019
			£	£
Running costs of the charity at valuation	<u> </u>		1,422,432	1,368,275
Tangible fixed asset additions at valuation			30,335	93,925
			1,452,767	1,462,200
o. Investment income				
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	2020	2019	
	£	£	
isted investments:		<u> </u>	
UK fixed interest income	7,995	4,630	
UK dividend income	18,659	14,712	
Overseas equities	21,303	14,229	
Inlisted investments:			
UK dividend income	-	13,965	
Bank interest	37	-	
	47,994	47,536	

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# 3. Raising funds

	Unrestricted funds			Total 2020
	£	£	£	£
Investment management fees	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	32,931	-	32,931
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2019
	£	£	£	£
Investment management fees	-	30,779	-	30,779

# 4. Charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2020
•	£	£	£	£
Bursaries awarded to individuals	-	-	-	-
Audit and accountancy	9,180	-	-	9,180
Donated services	-	1,422,432	•	1,422,432
	9,180	1,422,432	-	1,431,612
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2019
	£	£	£	£
Bursaries awarded to individuals	4,015	-	- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	4,015
Audit and accountancy	9,180		-	9,180
Donated services	-	1,368,275	-	1,368,275
	13,195	1,368,275	-	1,381,470

Donated services include an estimate of the value of services, offices, archive storage and staff time received.

Amounts payable to the auditor were as follows:

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2020	Total 2019
	£	£	£	£	£
Audit fee (including VAT)	7,860	<del>-</del>		7,860	7,860
Audit fee - underprovision	1,320	-	-	1,320	1,320
	9,180	-	-	9,180	9,180

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#### 5. Staff costs and directors' remuneration

No staff are employed by the charity and day-to-day operations are carried out by employees of N M Rothschild & Sons Limited. The costs of those employees, who are not considered to be key management personnel, are included as donated income and in the donated services expense in the statement of financial activities.

No emoluments or expenses were paid to the Directors during the year in respect of their services to the charity other than that disclosed below (2019: Nil).

The internal re-charge for some travel and accommodation expenses incurred by one Trustee of £5,759 (2019: Nil) are connected to a sequence of meetings, including the Trust's, which the Trustee combined for the sake of economy. The apportioning of these is not specifically associated with each meeting.

## 6. Heritage assets

	2020	2019
Cost/valuation	£	£
At 1 April	18,816,147	18,722,222
Additions during the year	30,335	93,925
At 31 March	18,846,482	18,816,147

The charity holds an archive collection comprising books, letters, volumes, manuscripts, other papers, chattels and artefacts which are or were previously in the ownership of the Rothschild family or Rothschild family businesses (the "Archive"). The Archive collections occupy approximately 2,650 linear metres of shelving. A professional valuation of the Archive was performed by L & J Gull Fine Arts in December 2017 which was based on replacement value and ascribed an uplift in value of £2,559,268. All subsequent additions are included at cost or, in the case of items donated, at valuation. The Directors are of the opinion that the carrying value of the Archive as at 31 March 2019 is a valid approximation of fair value

Gold bars with a book value of £275,472 are also included in heritage assets. These gold bars are representative of those produced at the Royal Mint Refinery, a business operated by N M Rothschild & Sons Limited from 1852 to 1968. At 31 March 2020, the market value of the gold in these bars was £1,611,186 (2019: £1,260,959).

The charity seeks to encourage and develop increased access to the Archives by the academic community and to make them more widely available by publication, exhibition and electronic distribution. The charity rarely disposes of any of these assets. A detailed register of the assets held by the Archive is kept by the Charity.

The Archive is open to bona fide researchers by appointment only Monday to Friday (excluding public holidays). Archive material dated post 1945 is generally not available to researchers.

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Five year financial summary of transactions relating to heritage assets:

	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
	£	£	£	£	£
Donations at valuation	30,335	93,925	30,112	23,281	29,839
Total additions	30,335	93,925	30,112	23,281	29,839

There have been no disposals of heritage assets in any of the last five accounting periods and no impairment has been considered necessary.

## 7. Investments

	2020	2019
	£	£
At 1 April	3,725,297	3,721,814
Additions at cost	651,209	676,716
Sale proceeds from disposals	(702,599)	(880,446)
Realised and unrealised gains	(155,010)	262,149
Net cash movements	66,777	(54,936)
At 31 March	3,585,674	3,725,297
estments comprise:		
·	2020	2019
	£	£
isted investments:	£	£
Listed investments:  UK fixed interest securities	£ 581,366	
		759,411
UK fixed interest securities	581,366	759,411 427,594
UK fixed interest securities . UK equities and equity funds	581,366 377,514	759,411 427,594 1,989,883
UK fixed interest securities  UK equities and equity funds  Overseas equities and equity funds	581,366 377,514 1,989,043	759,411 427,594 1,989,883 373,631
UK fixed interest securities  UK equities and equity funds  Overseas equities and equity funds  Hedge funds	581,366 377,514 1,989,043 374,596	759,411 427,594 1,989,883 373,631 167,746
UK equities and equity funds  Overseas equities and equity funds  Hedge funds  Money market	581,366 377,514 1,989,043 374,596 181,038	759,411 427,594 1,989,883 373,631 167,746 7,032 3,725,297

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# 8. Creditors

	2020	2019
	£	£
Accruals	15,000	15,000
Other creditors	7,860	7,860
	22,860	22,860

# 9. Analysis of changes in net debt

	At 1 April 2019	Cash flows	Foreign exchange movements £	At 31 March 2020 £
	£	£		
Cash and cash equivalents	383,565	(9,504)	2,862	376,923
Total	383,565	(9,504)	2,862	376,923

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## 10. Funds

	At 1 April 2019	Income	Expenses	Revaluation of investments	At 31 March 2020
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted fund	87,195	37	(9,180)	-	78,052
Restricted funds:					
Scientists project	23,088	-	-	-	23,088
Archive	4,641,138	1,473,251	(1,455,363)	(155,010)	4,504,016
Endowment fund	18,150,728	30,335		-	18,181,063
	22,902,149	1,503,623	(1,464,543)	(155,010)	22,786,219
	At 1 April 2018	Income	Expenses	Revaluation of investments	At 31 March 2019
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted fund	100,390	-	(13,195)	-	87,195
Restricted funds:					
Scientists project	23,088	-	-	-	23,088
Archive	4,364,109	1,413,934	(1,399,054)	262,149	4,641,138
Endowment fund	18,056,803	93,925	-	-	18,150,728
	22,544,390	1,507,859	(1,412,249)	262,149	22,902,149

There is an agreement in place whereby all income from various parts of the Rothschild business and family is treated as restricted and is to be utilised in maintaining the Archive in the event of the Rothschild business withdrawing support.

The final tranche of funding for the Rothschild Scientists project will be applied when recruitment and supervision of an archivist to catalogue material at the Natural History Museum is possible.

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# 11. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds
	£	£	£	£
Heritage assets	-	665,419	18,181,063	18,846,482
Investments	-	3,585,674	-	3,585,674
Current assets	85,912	291,011	-	376,923
Liabilities	(7,860)	(15,000)	-	(22,860)
At 31 March 2020	78,052	4,527,104	18,181,063	22,786,219
	£	£	٤	£
Heritage assets	<del>-</del>	665,419	18,150,728	18,816,147
Investments	-	3,725,297	-	3,725,297
Current assets	95,055	288,510	-	383,565
Liabilities	(7,860)	(15,000)	-	(22,860)
At 31 March 2019	87,195	4,664,226	18,150,728	22,902,149

# 12. Liability of members

The charity is a company limited by guarantee and has no share capital. In the event of the charity being wound up, the liability of the members is limited to £1 each.

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# 13. Transactions with related parties

Related parties are defined in the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities and include trustees, families of trustees and entities with which trustees have a significant interest in or significant influence over. The tables below exclude donations from related parties.

Amounts receivable from related parties are as follows:

		2020	2019
	·	£	£
Rothschild & Co Bank International Limited	Cash and cash equivalents	376,923	383,565
		376,923	383,565
mounts recognised in the statement of	financial activities were as follow	s:	
		2020	2019
		£	£
Rothschild & Co Continuation Limited	Dividend income	-	13,965
Rothschild & Co Continuation Limited  Rothschild & Co Continuation Limited	Dividend income  Realised gains	-	13,965 85,120
		(32,859)	
Rothschild & Co Continuation Limited  Rothschild & Co Wealth Management (UK)	Realised gains	-	85,120

## **Exbury book**

The former CEO of Rothschild & Co allocated funds of £4,833 (2019: £Nil) for the purchase of copies of a book about Exbury Gardens, the books to be used as corporate gifts. The designer of the book submitted her account via the Archive, as she is already a regular supplier and the charge will be offset against acquisition of finished books.

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# 14. Statement of financial activities for the year ended 31 March 2019

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2019
	£	£	£	£
Income and endowments from:				
Donations	-	1,368,275	93,925	1,462,200
Investments	-	47,536	-	47,536
FX gains	-	(1,877)	-	(1,877)
		1,413,934	93,925	1,507,859
Expenditure:	<del></del> -			<del></del>
Raising funds		30,779	-	30,779
Charitable activities .	13,195	1,368,275	-	1,381,470
	13,195	1,399,054	-	1,412,249
Net (losses)/gains on investments	-	262,149	-	262,149
Net income/(expenditure)	(13,195)	277,029	93,925	357,759
Total funds brought forward	100,390	4,387,197	18,056,803	22,544,390
Total funds carried forward	87,195	4,664,226	18,150,728	22,902,149

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