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The Evan Cornish Foundation
Financial statements
For the year ended 5 April 2009



Charity no 1112703

General information

Charity number:	1112703
Registered office:	Provincial House Solly Street SHEFFIELD S1 4BA
Trustees:	Mrs Ethel E Cornish Mrs Barbara Ward Ms Mary H Cornish Ms Sally A Cornish Ms Rachel E Cornish
Bankers:	Triodos Bank NV Brunel House 11 The Promenade BRISTOL BS8 3NN
Investment manager:	Rathbones Investment Management Limited Port of Liverpool Building Pier Head LIVERPOOL L3 1NW
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Trustees' report

Background

The Evan Cornish Foundation was created by the widow and four daughters of the late Evan Cornish, a successful businessman, who passed away in 2002. The Trustees have decided to utilise funds from the inheritance from his estate, in his name, for the benefit of charitable good causes, hence putting something back in to the local and wider community.

Structure, governance and management

The Charity is constituted under a Declaration of Trust dated 27 June 2005 and is registered with The Charity Commission, number 1112703 with effect from 12 January 2006.

The five Trustees were all appointed upon creation of the Charity and are responsible for the day to day management of the organisation. No other person acted as a Trustee at any time during the year. The Trustees formally meet at least five times a year and all decisions are made by the Trustees on a majority basis. The Trustees, by majority, have the power to appoint or remove Trustees.

The Trustees are supported by two part-time members of staff who assist in the day to day administration of the organisation.

The Trustees have undertaken an assessment of the major risks which the Charity potentially faces and have identified and put in place systems to safeguard against the likelihood of these risks occurring and/or mitigate any adverse effects.

To date no formal policy or procedure has been adopted for the induction and training of the Trustees. However the Trustees have attended training courses run by the Association of Charitable Foundations covering issues such as their roles and responsibilities, and intend to continue attending such courses on a regular basis.

Objectives and activities

The objects of the Charity, as contained in the Declaration of Trust, are to hold its Trust Funds and its income upon trust to apply them for all charitable purposes as are recognised under the laws of England and Wales.

The current strategy is to invest the Trust Funds wisely and securely to provide substantial annual income which, after organisational costs, will be used to provide grants to charitable good causes.

The main objectives for this year were to continue to develop its organisational structures and for grants to be made or pledged from annual investment income for a diversity of charitable causes.

The Trustees are of the opinion that their objectives of developing organisational structures and for appropriate investment of Trust Funds have been met.

Achievements and performance

In relation to the Charity's primary activity of grant making to charitable causes, a total of 85 (2008: 12) donations ranging from £1,000 to £200,000 and totalling £844,267 (2008: £120,000) were pledged during the year. Overall this year's activity represents, by far, our busiest year to date.

Last year's appointment of a Charity Administrator and this year an Admin Assistant, has allowed us to establish and further develop our grant making systems which has proved to be a beneficial contribution to our increased grant making activities.

Trustees' report

Risk Management

The Trustees have reviewed the risks to which the Charity is exposed and the principal risk areas are deemed to be:

- Financial exposure in the Charity's investment portfolio
- Financial exposure to failure of the Charity's bank
- Fraudulent grant applications and grant funding being incorrectly directed
- Reputational risk attaching to any adverse publicity.

The Trustees have agreed approaches to mitigate each of these risks, which are reviewed on a regular basis.

Financial review

The financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 5 April 2009 are attached to this report. Income from investments amounted to £311,142 (2008: £330,524). Adverse conditions in equity and other financial markets, experienced last year, have continued and resulted, in addition to lower investment income, in further losses arising on investment valuations as at 5 April 2009 of £1,418,485 (2008: losses £582,647). Grants committed amounted to £844,267 (2008: £120,000). Various costs of managing the organisation amounted to £66,662 (2008: £84,018). The resultant excess resources expended over incoming resources amounted to £2,018,272 (2008: £358,691).

The Charity's reserves are all unrestricted and as at 5 April 2009 amounted to £5,281,440 (2008: £7,299,712).

The Trustees have considered their policy in relation to retained financial reserves. On an annual basis the Trustees will seek to undertake charitable activities in the form of making grants and other financial support up to a sum equating to the net annual income derived from its investments and hence will retain the present level of reserves in the foreseeable future. The Trustees do however retain flexibility to make larger grants out of reserves as long as this does not put the ongoing financial viability of the organisation at risk.

Investment policy and objectives

The Trustees appointed Rathbones Investment Managers to create and manage an investment portfolio in line with an agreed Policy Statement for the investment of funds. Initial funds of £5 million were placed with Rathbones for this purpose and the main investment objectives of the Policy Statement are as follows:

General

In managing the investments and making or varying the investments the Investment Managers must have regard to the following criteria, in the context of the Trustees' objectives and risk profile:

- The suitability of any class of investment to the Trust;
- The suitability of any particular investment as an investment of that kind;
- The need for diversification of the investments of the Trust so far as is appropriate to the circumstances of the Trust.

Current Investment Profile

To provide an income of not less than £187,500 per annum based on a portfolio value of £5 million, and to maintain the capital value of the investment fund at least in line with inflation.

Investment Philosophy and Risk Profile

- A balanced approach between income and capital should be adopted. The Trustees wish to maintain the capital value of the investment funds at least in line with inflation;
- The Trustees have accordingly requested the Investment Managers to adopt a medium risk investment strategy;
- The Investment Managers are not to recommend to the Trustees any underwriting or similar obligations.

Trustees' report

Investment policy and objectives (continued)

Income/Capital Requirements

The Trustees will normally look to distribute the annual income on charitable purposes and organisations, and any undistributed income will be retained on account for future use.

Marketability

The investments should generally be marketable and the Trustees would not, unless specific authorisation is given, wish to acquire investments in markets where marketability is limited.

Time Horizon

A long term investment strategy is adopted, minimum 5 years.

Geographical and Sector Allocation and Ethical/Other Constraints

- The Trustees prohibit investment in mining companies;
- The Trustees prohibit investment in companies which test on animals for the production of cosmetics;
- A 'best of class approach' is to be adopted to investment within the oil sector;
- Collective investments are permitted.

Grant Making Policy

The Trustees will consider applications, and also seek out causes, for financial support in relation to charitable good causes which need help. Causes specifically excluded are those relating to politics, religion and animals.

The Trustees meet regularly to consider grant applications and make awards based on their assessment of the merits of the application and the individual circumstances. The Trustees seek to give all applications due consideration and make their decisions on a majority vote basis. As part of this policy, the recipient of support is expected to provide appropriate levels of feedback on the use of any grant and the achievements deriving there from, for monitoring and evaluation purposes.

Plans for future periods

The Trustees main aims for the coming periods are:

- To monitor the investment program to try to provide maximum returns hence boosting available funds for grant making activities and recovery of our original capital base.
- To continue to develop and improve on operational administration systems to provide greater efficiency and allow the Trustees to spend more of their time on researching grant making activities.
- To continue to attend training events in order to develop their individual and collective skills for the benefit of the Charity.
- To become more involved in the researching and evaluation of grant making activities across a diverse range of charitable good causes.

Trustees' report

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Charity law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the Trustees have elected to prepare financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice). The financial statements are required by law to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the organisation and of the statement of financial activities 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 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 organisation will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the organisation and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 1993. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

In so far as each of the Trustees is aware:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the charity's auditors are unaware; and
- the Trustees have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditors are aware of that information.

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

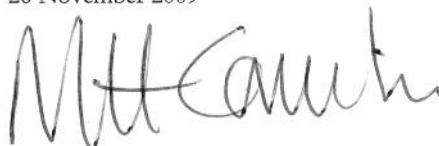
The trustees confirm that they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the charity's aims and objectives and in planning future activities.

ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES

Barbara Ward
Trustee
26 November 2009



Mary Cornish
Trustee
26 November 2009





Report of the independent auditor to the trustees of The Evan Cornish Foundation

We have audited the financial statements of The Evan Cornish Foundation for the year ended 5 April 2009 which comprise the principal accounting policies, the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet and notes 1 to 13. These financial statements have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein.

This report is made solely to the Charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Section 43 of the Charities Act 1993 and regulations made under Section 44 of the Act 1993. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Charity's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charity and its trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and auditor

The Trustees' responsibilities 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) are set out in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities.

We have been appointed as auditors under Section 43 of the Charities Act 1993 and report in accordance with regulations made under Section 44 of that Act. Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland).

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and whether they are properly prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 1993. We also report to you if, in our opinion, the Trustees' report is not consistent with the financial statements, if the Charity has not kept proper accounting records or if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

We read the Trustees' report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it.

Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the Trustees in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Charity's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.



Report of the independent auditor to the trustees of The Evan Cornish Foundation

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view, in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, of the state of the Charity's affairs as at 5 April 2009 and of its incoming resources and application of those resources for the year then ended; and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 1993.

Grant Thornton UK LLP

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REGISTERED AUDITORS
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

SHEFFIELD
26 November 2009

Principal accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The Financial Statements have been prepared on the basis of historical cost with the exception that Investments are shown at market value, in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities – Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP 2005) and with Accounting Standards and with the Charities Act 1993.

The principal accounting policies of the Charity are set out below. The policies have remained unchanged from the previous year.

Incoming resources

Incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when:

- the Charity becomes entitled to the resources;
- the Trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Incoming resources from tax reclaims are included in the SoFA at the same time as the gift to which they relate.

Investment income is included in the financial statements when receivable.

Investment gains and losses includes any gain or loss on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the period.

Expenditure and liabilities

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

Governance costs include costs of the preparation and examination of statutory accounts, the costs of Trustee meetings and cost of any legal advice to trustees on governance or constitutional matters.

Support costs comprise the costs of administering the operations of the charity.

Grants payable without performance conditions are only recognised in the accounts when a commitment has been made and there are no conditions to be met relating to the grant which remain in the control of the charity.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are donations and other incoming resources received or generated for expenditure on the general objectives of the charity.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year and cost at least £250.

Assets are depreciated at the following rates.

Computer equipment	-	33.3% straight line
Office furniture	-	20% straight line

Investments

Investments quoted on a recognised stock exchange are valued at market value at the period end.

Statement of financial activities

	Note	2009 £	2008 £
Incoming resources			
Voluntary income	1	-	97,450
Investment income	1	311,142	330,524
Total incoming resources		<u>311,142</u>	<u>427,974</u>
Resources expended			
Investment management costs		21,865	29,362
Charitable activities	2	844,267	120,000
Governance costs	2	9,783	14,604
Other support costs	2	35,014	40,052
Total resources expended		<u>910,929</u>	<u>204,018</u>
Net (outgoing)/incoming resources before other recognised gains		(599,787)	223,956
Other recognised movements			
Realised and unrealised losses on investment assets	6	(1,418,485)	(582,647)
Net movement in funds		(2,018,272)	(358,691)
Total funds brought forward		<u>7,299,712</u>	<u>7,658,403</u>
Total funds carried forward		<u>5,281,440</u>	<u>7,299,712</u>

All of the activities of the charity are classed as continuing.

All of the above relate to unrestricted funds.

Balance sheet

	Note	2009 £	2008 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	5	1,193	2,064
Investments	6	3,230,097	4,659,781
		<u>3,231,290</u>	<u>4,661,845</u>
Current assets			
Debtors	7	651	143,618
Cash at bank	10	2,323,165	2,635,293
		<u>2,323,816</u>	<u>2,778,911</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	250,372	141,044
Net current assets		<u>2,073,444</u>	<u>2,637,867</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		5,304,734	7,299,712
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year	9	23,294	-
		<u>5,281,440</u>	<u>7,299,712</u>
Represented by:			
Funds of the charity			
Unrestricted funds		5,281,440	7,299,712
Total funds		<u>5,281,440</u>	<u>7,299,712</u>

The financial statements were approved by the trustees of The Evan Cornish Foundation on 26 November 2009.

Barbara Ward



Trustees

Mary Cornish



The accompanying accounting policies and notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

Notes to the financial statements

1 Total incoming resources

	2009 £	2008 £
Unrestricted income		
Voluntary income		
Unrestricted donations	-	97,450
Investment income		
Interest receivable	135,424	170,412
Dividends	175,718	156,451
Miscellaneous realisations	-	3,661
	<u>311,142</u>	<u>330,524</u>

2 Total resources expended

	Total 2009 £	Total 2008 £
Charitable activities		
Grants made and committed (note 4)	844,267	120,000
Governance costs		
Audit fee	7,857	12,225
Trustee meeting costs	1,665	1,193
Trustee training costs	-	925
Indemnity insurance	261	261
	<u>9,783</u>	<u>14,604</u>
Other resources expended		
Staff costs	27,352	27,866
Staff recruitment	-	5,875
Office running costs	6,096	2,945
Membership fee ACF	200	1,195
Bank charges	56	1,069
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	871	871
Postage and stationery	371	231
Miscellaneous travel costs	68	-
	<u>35,014</u>	<u>40,052</u>

3 Staff costs

	2009 £	2008 £
Wages and salaries	25,360	25,000
Social security costs	1,992	2,866
	<u>27,352</u>	<u>27,866</u>

Notes to the financial statements

3 Staff costs (continued)

The average number of full time equivalent employees, including part time staff, during the year was made up as follows:

	2009 Number	2008 Number
Administration staff	1	1

No remuneration was paid to any trustee during the year. A total of £953 (2008: £644) was reimbursed to 3 trustees (2008: 3).

4 Grant making

The total level of grant making activity during the year amounted to £844,267 (2008: £120,000) which represented 85 (2008: 12) individual awards ranging from £1,000 to £200,000. The following shows a list of the awards made during the year. No grants were made to individuals during the year (2008: none).

Name of recipient	Total £
Inquest	10,000
Asylum Aid	10,000
BEAT Eating Disorders	10,000
Medical Aid for Palestinians	10,000
Ilderton Motor Project	11,730
MS Society Woodlands	5,000
Interact Worldwide	16,088
St Basils	5,000
Noah's Ark	8,540
Army Benevolent Fund	10,000
Children's Country Holidays	8,500
Leonard Cheshire	12,000
Basic Needs	10,000
Target TB	15,000
Casa Alianza	17,372
Casa Alianza	9,504
Happy Days	12,000
Thames Hospice	7,126
Childrens Trust	5,000
Royal Mencap	2,000
National Student Drama Fest	2,500
Christian Aid	10,000
Joseph Patrick Trust	5,000
Norman Laud Association	5,000
Cardiac Risk in the Young	10,000
Traidcraft Exchange	5,000
Shelter	30,000
Power International	6,882
Deafblind UK	5,000
The Haven Wolverhampton	4,285
Voluntary SO	16,644
The Connection at St Martins	10,500
Prisoners of Conscience	12,000
Practical Action	9,490
Child Brain Injury	5,000
Carried forward	332,161

Notes to the financial statements

4 Grant making (continued)

	Total £
Brought forward	332,161
BIBIC	6,000
Dogs for the Disabled	2,826
British Leprosy Relief	7,500
Lincoln & Lindsey Blind Society	15,000
Cruse Bereavement Care	3,000
Afrasic	4,190
Breast Cancer Care	5,600
Cornwall Disabled Arts	1,500
Worldwide Volunteering FYP	10,000
Sightsavers International	10,000
Hartlepool Hospice	2,500
Beds and Northants MS	10,416
Scottish Chamber Orchestra	2,500
PCC of St Marys	5,000
Plan International UK	7,500
Sea Sanctuary	10,000
Angels International	10,000
SVP Furniture	7,500
West Sussex 4 Sight	7,200
Bobath Childrens Therapy	4,044
The Ahoy Centre	5,000
Unicef	5,000
Medical Aid for Palestinians	5,000
Enterprise Education Trust	3,100
RAW Media	10,000
Citizens Advice	9,480
Safeline Warwick	2,974
Maggies Cancer Caring Centres	200,000
Help the Aged	40,000
Sound Seekers	7,500
Intercare Medical Aid for Africa	2,400
Cavendish Cancer Care	10,000
Bati About Kidz	2,400
Circle	5,000
St Giles Trust	7,500
Disability Challengers	4,000
Listening Books	5,000
Age Concern Lancashire	6,000
Second Chance	5,000
Whirlow Hall Farm Trust	5,000
Book Power	5,000
TAMBA	2,500
Children in Touch	2,500
NOEL	1,000
Amber	2,976
CARE East Midlands	5,000
Inter Act Reading	3,500
SOS Children's Villages	7,500
Sheffield Mencap	2,000
Second World War Experience	7,500
	844,267

Notes to the financial statements

5 Tangible fixed assets

	Computer equipment £	Office furniture £	Total £
Cost			
At 6 April 2008 and at 5 April 2009	2,129	806	2,935
Depreciation			
At 6 April 2008	710	161	871
Provided during the year	710	161	871
At 5 April 2009	1,420	322	1,742
Net book value			
At 5 April 2009	709	484	1,193
At 5 April 2008	1,419	645	2,064

6 Fixed asset investments

	2009 £	2008 £
Movements for the period		
Carrying market value at beginning of period	4,659,781	5,264,125
Additions at cost	323,714	412,623
Disposals at market value	(334,913)	(434,320)
Realised loss on disposal	(90,981)	(2,455)
Net loss on revaluation	(1,327,504)	(580,192)
Market value at end of period	3,230,097	4,659,781
Historical cost at 5 April	4,847,181	4,903,041
Analysis of investments		
Investments listed on a recognised stock exchange or held in common investment funds, open ended investment companies, unit trusts or other collective investment schemes	3,225,319	4,560,023
Cash held as part of investment portfolio	4,778	99,758
	3,230,097	4,659,781

At 5 April 2009 no investment (2008: none) made up more than 5% of the total holdings.

The difference between the historical cost and market value of investments, amounting to £1,617,084 (2008: £243,260), is reflected in the unrestricted fund.

Notes to the financial statements

7 Debtors

	2009 £	2008 £
Gift aid claims	-	97,450
Tax refund on interest received	-	45,548
Other debtors	651	620
	<u>651</u>	<u>143,618</u>

8 Grant commitments

	2009 £	2008 £
At 6 April 2008	120,000	907,280
Committed during the year	844,267	120,000
Payments in the year	(705,081)	(907,280)
As at 5 April 2009	<u>259,186</u>	<u>120,000</u>
Falling due within one year	235,892	120,000
Falling due more than one year	23,294	-
	<u>259,186</u>	<u>120,000</u>

9 Creditors and accruals

	2009 £	2008 £
Falling due within one year		
Trade creditors	4,966	7,605
Grant commitments (note 8)	235,892	120,000
Accrued expenses	9,006	11,750
Social security and other taxes	508	1,689
	<u>250,372</u>	<u>141,044</u>
Falling due after one year		
Grant commitments (note 8)	<u>23,294</u>	<u>-</u>

10 Analysis of net funds

	At 6 April 2008 £	Cashflow £	At 5 April 2009 £
Cash at bank and in hand	<u>2,635,293</u>	<u>(312,128)</u>	<u>2,323,165</u>

Notes to the financial statements

11 Transactions with trustees

Other than the reimbursement of expenses for meeting venue costs disclosed in note 3, there were no other transactions with the Trustees during the year.

12 Capital commitments

There were no capital commitments at 5 April 2009 or 5 April 2008.

13 Contingent liabilities

There were no contingent liabilities at 5 April 2009 or 5 April 2008.