## DATA CHARITY 250 INDEX

# Heart of England Forest joins the top 250 charities ranking

A conservation charity set up by publishing entrepreneur Felix Dennis tops the list of 19 new entrants in this year's review of the Charity 250 Index, writes Diane Sim.

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THIS YEAR sees 19 new entrants into the havsmacintyre / Charity Finance 250 Index. Our annual review finds four moving down from the Charity 100 Index and 15 moving up from outside the indexes.

The top new entrant from outside the indexes is Heart of England Forest, which enters the Charity 250 Index at position 76, based on its three-year average income of £42.3m. Total income at the conservation charity leapt from £16.7m in the year to 31 December 2016 to £131.4m in the 15 months to 31 March 2018, as a result of a £123.1m legacy from the charity's founder, publishing entrepreneur Felix Dennis, who died in 2014.

According to Heart of England Forest chairman and TV journalist Jon Snow, the legacy has been designated for land acquisition. "With careful investment", it should provide the means to achieve the founder's vision of creating 30,000 acres of contiguous forest in the Heart of England.

The second largest new entrant is Lempriere Pringle 2015, which enters the Charity 250 Index at position 103, based on a three-year average income of £37.5m. Registered in 2015 as a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO), Lempriere Pringle 2015 is the successor charity to the Lempriere Pringle Trust, which was established in 1992 by Jonathan Ruffer, co-founder and chairman of Ruffer Investment Company.

The grant-making charity describes its broad objectives as advancing "such charitable purposes... as the trustees see fit". However, its main focus is supporting the regeneration of Bishop Auckland in Country Durham via its sister charities the Auckland Castle Trust, Zurbaran Trust and Eleven Arches, which aim to bring tourist money to the area, create jobs and apprenticeships and encourage community involvement.

## Both charities attribute income growth to institutional funding ""

The third largest new entrant from outside the indexes is the Lloyds Register Foundation, which enters the Charity 250 Index in position 127, based on a three-year average income of £34.2m. The foundation first joined the Charity 100 Index in April 2017, after its three-year average income had been boosted by a £206m investment portfolio gifted in 2013 by the Lloyds Register Group, its wholly owned trading subsidiary.

Much lower annual income levels ranging between £10m and £30m between 2014 and 2016 saw the foundation drop out of the indexes altogether but an income of £53.8m in the year to 30 June 2017 has resulted in membership of the Charity 250 Index.

The four charities that fell from the Charity 100 Index to the Charity 250 Index this year (new positions shown in brackets) are: the Royal Voluntary

Service (1), Motability (2), Shelter (7) and ActionAid (13).

#### **INCOME REQUIREMENTS**

Membership of both the Charity 100 and Charity 250 Indexes is reviewed every spring to take into account income fluctuations, new charities and charities for which it had previously not been possible to obtain a three-year run of audited accounts. Income data is extracted from accounts with financial year-ends up to and including 31 March 2018, with the index ranking based on average total income over the last three years.

The minimum income requirements for entry into the Charity 250 Index rose this year by 8 per cent from £22.8m to £24.5m. The vast majority of exits this year are charities whose income has not kept pace with this increase, with the exception of three charities which have moved up into the Charity 100 Index.

Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society of Britain moves 15 places from fifth position in the Charity 250 Index to position 90 in the Charity 100 Index. The religious charity reported a 79 per cent increase in income to £88.8m in the year to 31 August 2017, relating largely to the construction of a new headquarters for Jehovah's Witnesses in Chelmsford.

Other promotions to the Charity 100 Index are Care International, which moves up an impressive 54 places to position 87, and Mercy Corps Europe, which moves up 28 places to number 95. Both humanitarian charities attribute their income growth to sustained increases in institutional funding, mainly from the Department for International Development in the case of the former and European Commission sources in the case of the latter.

#### HIGHEST RISER

The highest riser in this year's review of the Charity 250 Index is the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Southwark, which jumps 127 places from 182 to position 55, based on a three-year average income of £47.2m.

The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Southwark was set up in May 2017. It is the successor charity to the Roman Catholic Diocese of Southwark Diocesan Trust, which sought to restructure as a CIO and transferred its assets and liabilities in October 2017.

Accounts filed by the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Southwark for the three months ending 31 December 2017 report a total income of £87.2m. As this includes the one-off transfer of £78.7m of assets from its predecessor, next year's total income will likely fall to the level reported by this entity, which was £32.9m in the year ending 31 December 2016. Its position in the Charity 250 ranking is also likely to fall back.

Current			Income	Current			Income
position	Last year	Charity	£m¹	position	Last year	Charity	£m¹
1	93 in 100	Royal Voluntary Service	64.5	39	36	Millfield	50.3
2	47 in 100	Motability	64.2	40	38	Fremantle Trust	50.2
3	11	Wellington College	63.7	41	42	Woodland Trust	50.2
4	3	Institute of Physics	63.4	42	37	Anthony Nolan Trust	49.9
5	6	Thera Trust	62.7	43	50	Step Change Debt Charity	49.7
6	8	Jewish Care	62.3	44	43	BRE Trust	49.6
7	97 in 100	Shelter	61.9	45	40	Nacro	49.5
8	29	Challenge Network	61.9	46	55	Royal Academy of Arts	49.2
9	7	BBC Children in Need	61.6	47	39	Brandon Trust	49.1
10	14	Garfield Weston Foundation	61.6	48	77	Rhodes Trust - Public Purposes Fund	49.0
11	1	LifeArc	61.5	49	20	Sustrans	48.5
12	9	Teach First	61.4	50	54	Marlborough College	48.1
13	98 in 100	ActionAid	60.3	51	52	Autism Initiatives (UK)	47.9
14	15	Whitgift Foundation	59.6	52	59	National Gallery	47.6
15	13	Harrow School	59.6	53	51	Brighton College	47.3
16	10	Edinburgh Merchant Company Education Board	59.4	54	49	Royal Masonic Benevolent Institution Care Company	47.3
17	4	Alternative Futures	59.2	55	182	Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Southwark	47.2
18	2	Imperial War Museum	59.1	56	30	Disasters Emergency Committee	46.9
19	21	Royal Collection Trust	58.8	57	60	Aga Khan Foundation (UK)	46.3
20	16	Zoological Society of London	58.4	58	98	British Academy <sup>2</sup>	46.0
21	24	Institution of Engineering & Technology	58.2	59	68	Affinity Trust	45.7
22	27	Cats Protection	58.1	60	85	United Synagogue	45.0
23	12	Disabilities Trust	58.0	61	63	Haberdashers' Aske's Charity	44.7
24	22	Royal Society of Chemistry	57.9	62	69	Dulwich College	44.5
25	18	Hospital of St John & St Elizabeth	57.1	63	124	Football Foundation	44.3
26	19	Catch22	55.8	64	58	Livability	44.2
27	31	Westminster Roman Catholic Diocesan Trust	53.3	65	70	Christian Vision	44.1
28	25	Harpur Trust	52.6	66	61	Methodist Church in Great Britain	43.9
29	45	HCT Group	52.4	67	75	Mind	43.1
30	33	National Trust for Scotland	52.4	68	66	Corporation of Oundle School	43.1
31	44	Extracare	52.2	69	64	Royal College of General Practitioners	43.1
32	26	Cafod	51.9	70	73	Katherine Martin Charitable Trust	42.9
33	34	Southbank Centre	51.9	71	72	Universities and Colleges Admissions Service	42.7
34	32	Médecins Sans Frontières (UK)	51.3	72	78	Care South	42.6
35	17	SSAFA	51.0	73	130	Halo Trust	42.5
36	35	YHA (England & Wales)	50.7	74	67	John Innes Centre	42.4
37	46	MacIntyre Care	50.6	75	53	Sheffield City Trust	42.3
38	28	Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (GB)	50.4	76	New	Heart of England Forest	42.3

<sup>(1)</sup> Average total income over the last three years up to and including 31 March 2018

<sup>(2)</sup> British Academy for the Promotion of Historical, Philosophical and Philological Studies

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77	74	Royal Institute of British Architects	41.9	123	126	Parkinson's Disease Society	34.7
78	142	Human Appeal	41.6	124	125	London Marathon Charitable Trust	34.4
79	65	Quarriers	41.6	125	92	Help for Heroes	34.3
80	48	BBC Media Action	41.6	126	116	Rugby School	34.2
81	117	Black Stork Charity	41.4	127	New	Lloyd's Register Foundation	34.2
82	71	Royal College of Physicians	41.1	128	175	King Edward VII's Hospital Sister Agnes	34.0
83	57	Children's Society	40.7	129	95	Rethink	33.9
84	79	London Diocesan Fund	40.6	130	118	World Animal Protection	33.6
85	86	St Paul's School	40.5	131	105	Liverpool Roman Catholic Archdiocesan Trust	33.4
86	62	CIPD <sup>3</sup>	40.4	132	135	Royal Albert Hall	33.3
87	47	Pirbright Institute	40.1	133	219	Thalidomide Trust	33.2
88	113	Avenues Trust Group	39.8	134	104	Versus Arthritis <sup>6</sup>	33.0
89	99	North of England Zoological Society	39.7	135	160	St Monica Trust	32.9
90	83	Action on Hearing Loss	39.6	136	109	Kennedy Trust for Rheumatology Research	32.9
91	76	English National Opera	39.2	137	133	Moondance Foundation	32.7
92	82	Heritage Care	39.2	138	128	Royal College of Surgeons	32.6
93	90	Battersea Dogs and Cats Home	39.0	139	144	Benenden Hospital Trust	32.5
94	97	Compassion UK Christian Child Development	38.5	140	132	Enable Scotland	32.4
95	110	Emms Nazareth	38.5	141	129	Institution of Civil Engineers	32.3
96	147	Relief International UK	38.3	142	103	MCCH <sup>4</sup>	32.2
97	111	Mines Advisory Group	38.3	143	136	King's College School	32.1
98	91	Cornerstone Community Care	38.2	144	121	National Centre for Social Research	32.0
99	56	Victim Support	38.2	145	115	Norwood Ravenswood	31.9
100	87	Overseas Development Institute	38.2	146	138	Practical Action	31.7
101	84	Diabetes UK	38.0	147	New	Power of Nutrition	31.5
102	80	James Hutton Institute	38.0	148	152	Highgate School	31.2
103	New	Lempriere Pringle 2015	37.5	149	230	Ben - Motor and Allied Trades Benevolent Fund	31.1
104	88	Daughters of the Cross of Liege	37.2	150	New	Praxis Care	31.1
105	106	Donkey Sanctuary	36.9	151	140	Nazareth Care Charitable Trust	31.0
106	107	Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability	36.9	152	143	Cornwall Care	31.0
107	102	Scout Association	36.7	153	173	Centrepoint Soho	30.9
108	81	Rothamsted Research	36.5	154	172	Concern Worldwide (UK)	30.8
109	96	Choice Support <sup>4</sup>	36.4	155	137	Healthcare Management Trust	30.7
110	89	Stroke Association	36.3	156	123	London Diocesan Board of Schools	30.7
111	114	BCS, the Chartered Institute for IT	36.1	157	145	Warwick Independent Schools Foundation	30.7
112	131	Bridge House Estates	36.0	158	153	Cheltenham Ladies' College	30.5
113	94	Family Fund Trust for Families <sup>5</sup>	35.9	159	157	Tonbridge School	30.4
114	108	Blue Cross	35.8	160	New	Charities Trust	30.4
115	101	National Museum of Wales	35.8	161	120	Glyndebourne Productions	30.1
116	112	King's School of the Cathedral Church of Canterbury	35.5	162	141	Tum2us	30.0
117	200	UBS UK Donor Advised Foundation	35.3	163	169	Amanat Charity Trust	30.0
118	127	Bromsgrove School	35.2	164	201	Crisis UK	30.0
119	93	International Bible Students Association	35.1	165	163	Turning Point Scotland	29.9
120	100	Pre-school Learning Alliance	35.0	166	149	British Pregnancy Advisory Service	29.9
121	119	United Bible Societies Association	34.9	167	148	Camfed International	29.8
122	122	Rothschild Foundation	34.7	168	146	Westminster School	29.8

<sup>(3)</sup> Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development
(4) Choice Support and MCCH have since merged and now operate under the Choice Support brand

<sup>(5)</sup> Family Fund for Families with Severely Disabled Children (6) Formed from the merger of Arthritis Research UK and Arthritis Care in November 2017

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169	204	Depaul International	29.7	210	151	HelpAge International	26.4
170	177	BH Live	29.6	211	187	Oakham School	26.3
171	156	Charterhouse School	29.6	212	203	Birmingham Hippodrome Theatre Trust	26.3
172	165	Berkhamsted Schools Group	29.5	213	166	Bryson Charitable Group	26.2
173	139	Royal Academy of Engineering	29.4	214	171	Avante Care and Support	26.2
174	176	Allchurches Trust Limited	29.4	215	191	Chartered Institute of Procurement and Supply	26.2
175	155	Milestones Trust	29.3	216	185	London Grid for Learning Trust	26.1
176	159	Winchester College	29.2	217	196	St Andrew's College Bradfield	26.1
177	New	Legacy Leisure	29.2	218	189	David Lewis Centre	26.1
178	162	Bolton School	29.0	219	New	Presbyterian Church in Ireland	26.0
179	184	Horder Healthcare	29.0	220	216	Arundel and Brighton Diocesan Trust	25.9
180	134	Business in the Community	28.8	221	214	Ulster Independent Clinic Limited	25.8
181	164	Uppingham School	28.8	222	221	Brentwood School	25.8
182	154	Blind Veterans UK	28.7	223	242	Erskine Hospital	25.8
183	167	Sevenoaks School	28.7	224	236	Muslim Aid	25.0
184	174	Association of Accounting Technicians	28.6	225	223	Together Trust	25.0
185	158	National Museums and Galleries on Merseyside	28.5	226	New	Virunga Foundation	25.
186	226	Rugby Football Foundation	28.4	227	New	Merchant Taylors' Educational Trust	25.
187	170	MS Society	28.3	228	207	Grammar School at Leeds	25.
188	150	Workers' Educational Association	28.2	229	217	Friends of the Elderly	25.
189	193	Fitzroy Support	28.2	230	240	Christ's Hospital	25.4
190	179	Kibble Education and Care Centre	28.2	231	205	Oxford Diocesan Board of Finance	25.4
191	181	Hospital Saturday Fund	28.1	232	228	Abingdon School	25.4
192	183	United Westminster Schools Foundation	28.1	233	237	Alleyn's School	25.
193	249	TACT	28.0	234	180	Services Sound and Vision Corporation	25.3
194	168	Clifton College	27.9	235	199	Sherborne School	25.3
195	195	Mill Hill School Foundation	27.9	236	215	St Bede's School Trust Sussex	25.3
196	192	Eden Trust	27.6	237	235	Percy Hedley Foundation	25.2
197	161	National Centre for Young People with Epilepsy	27.5	238	194	United Reformed Church Trust	25.2
198	248	Humankind <sup>7</sup>	27.5	239	208	Mission Aviation Fellowship International	25.:
199	New	Against Malaria Foundation	27.4	240	202	Society of Jesus Trust of 1929 for RC Purposes	25.:
200	188	Hampton School	27.4	241	211	Stowe School	25.
201	197	Loughborough Endowed Schools	27.2	242	218	Cheltenham College	25.
202	186	Sadler's Wells Trust	27.1	243	178	CIPFA	25.
203	198	Radley College	27.1	244	227	Shakespeare Globe Trust	24.
204	190	CLIC Sargent Cancer Care for Children	27.1	245	231	Cranleigh School	24.
205	New	JTL	27.0	246	234	Sir John Port's Charity	24.
206	209	Latymer Foundation at Hammersmith	27.0	247	206	Children's Trust	24.
207	212	National Galleries of Scotland	26.5	248	New	Guy's and St Thomas' Charity	24.
208	210 New	Scottish Autism  Lloyds Bank Foundation for England & Wales	26.5 26.5	249 250	New 225	Achisomoch Aid Company  Making Space	24. 24.

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