Ethical Investment Statement

The College keeps under regular review the ethical investment of its funds. In line with the findings in the Harries case (Bishop of Oxford v. Church Commissioners, 1992) the overriding principle guiding the College’s investments (though not the only one) is the financial return of the portfolio, and in principle we avoid investments in areas which are contrary to the College’s Charitable purposes. Those companies or shares likely to be excluded would be those whose activities violate human rights, cause permanent environmental damage, or are otherwise contrary to the charitable objectives of the College. The College has appointed a firm of advisors which provide a range of pooled funds in which to invest. The Investment Committee is responsible for decisions on asset allocation but does not select individual stocks.

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