



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From Period start date 6 April 2024 to Period end date 5 April 2025

Charity name: Friends of East Portlemouth Parish Church

Charity registration number: 1029258

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To further the charitable purposes of the Church of England and the inhabitants of East Portlemouth
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	To preserve, maintain, repair, renew, improve and restore the structure and fabric, fixtures and fittings of East Portlemouth Parish Church and its grounds including the bells and organs.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees understand and have complied with their duty in Section 17(5) of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to guidance published by the Charity Commission.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	The trustees have two meetings per year where grants for capital projects are discussed.
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	The charity by maintaining the only building of active Christian worship in this community is able to help and support the local community.
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	The trustees are all volunteers with no salaries being paid. A nominal £200pa honorarium is paid to the secretary, not a trustee, who types and distributes the agenda and minutes.
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	East Portsmouth Parish Church is a grade 2 star listed building at the centre of the village. The Friends charity is independent of the church of England and provides financial support to help the Parochial Church Council meet the costs of capital projects to help maintain this historic building. Without these grants the church is at risk of serious deterioration.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	N/A
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	N/A
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	The investments have recently been reviewed to reduce risk and increase performance. The investment objectives are being achieved.
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	£313,038
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	During the period of this report the charity has received a bequest of £150,000 which has enabled the charity to make grants towards urgent church repairs in the following year.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Reserves are held at a level considered appropriate for the future financial needs of the church.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	No current concerns.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	The principal source of funds are standing orders from members of the community, with the occasional one-off larger donation. The church distributes leaflets informing visitors to the church about the Friends Charity.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	The investment policy is to distribute the funds between equities, bonds and cash to help manage the risk into the future. The investment policy is regularly reviewed.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The charity, thanks to the recent large donation, is currently in a stable position and able to make grants available to the Parochial Church Council. The risk is the decreasing numbers of people who see the church of England and its buildings as less relevant in today's society. However East Portlemouth Parish Church is an important historic building as well as a place of worship and attracts support from the local community and visitors..
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Trust deed
How is the charity constituted? (e.g. unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Unincorporated trust
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	The trustees are volunteers who are known in the church or local community.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	The charity by its nature works closely with the Parochial Church Council.
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Friends of East Portlemouth Parish Church
Other name the charity uses	N/A
Registered charity number	1029258
Charity's principal address	C/O Dr A Jones Rickham Farm East Portlemouth Salcombe Devon TQ8 8PQ

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Mark Lanwer Jephcott	Chairman		
2	Prof Lindsey Mary Lindley			
3	Ann Mary Monica Jones	Treasurer		
4	Robin Kier Wedderburn Piggott			
5	Caroline Ruth Jephcott Lamdin			
6	Andrew Coton			
7	Steven Taylor			

Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
N/A		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
N/A		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	N/A
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/A

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
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N/A		
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Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

N/A

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

N/A

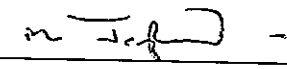
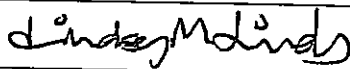
Other optional information

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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	MARK L. SEPULCHRE	LINDSEY MARY LINDLEY
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chairman	Trustee

Date	6/2/26.
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FRIENDS OF EAST PORTLEMOUTH PARISH CHURCH CHARITY NO 1029258
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 5 APRIL 2025

	2025		2024	
	£	£	£	£
RECEIPTS				
INVESTMENT INCOME				
IFSL CAF income fund (Previously IM CAF distributions)	0		189	
Charities Property Fund	804		952	
M&G Charifund income	118		112	
		922		1,253
DIVIDEND VOUCHERS (REINVESTED)				
M&G Charibond dividend	952		1,994	
M&G charifund dividend	1,707		0	
BNY Mellon	734		745	
Schroders Eq value	925		0	
Schroders Multiasset	824		0	
		5,142		2,739
VOLUNTARY DONATIONS	2,715		2,075	
TAX REPAYMENTS 2023	260		0	
TAX REPAYMENTS 2024	444		0	
		3,419		2,075
Investment fund sales and repurchase	0		(1,931)	
Legacy - The Late Lady Mary Jephcott	150,000		0	
		150,000		(1,931)
TOTAL RECEIPTS including Div Voucher		159,483		4,136

PAYMENTS

Hall hire	25		20	
Secretarial expenses	200		300	
Leaflet printing	72		0	
Organ recital	114		0	
TOTAL PAYMENTS		411		320
CONTRIBUTION TO RESERVES		159,072		3,816

SUMMARY OF CHARITY RESERVES

	2025	2024
	£	£
Contribution to reserves	159,072	3,816
Investments and cash b/fwd	149,644	141,088
Unrealised gains/losses in year	1,706	4,740
Investments and cash at the year end	310,422	149,644

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of the Friends of East Portlemouth Church

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Friends of East Portlemouth Church for the year ended 5th April 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Friends of East Portlemouth Church you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Friends of East Portlemouth Church accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Friends of East Portlemouth Church as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

C.J. Miller

Name:

C.J. MILLER *9/3/2026*

Relevant professional qualification or membership of professional bodies (if any):

Address:

Date: