

**ST JAMES WARTER
PRESERVATION TRUST LIMITED
REPORT & UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS
YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024**

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024**

The Trustees are pleased to present their report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ending 31 August 2024.

Reference and Administrative Details

Charity Number 1058064
Company Number 3239759

Directors and Trustees

Rose Horspool – Chair
Robin Horspool
Heather Stanford
Joan Straker
John Ward

Secretary

Robin Horspool

Bankers

Metro Bank

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OBJECTIVES, ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS

St James Warter Preservation Trust was established to preserve, for the benefit of the people of the locality, the historical, architectural, constructional and cultural heritage of the Yorkshire Wolds. At the beginning of 1999 the Trust acquired the redundant church of St James Warter and the greater part of the surrounding churchyard. It is the Trust's aim to conserve the structure and to involve the local community in its use for appropriate secular events. The Trust has no plans to acquire any further properties.

The building restoration project funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund and Leader+ (European Rural Development Funding), ended in autumn 2008. The former church can now be considered as a centre for heritage information for the Wolds. In November 2010 an additional grant was awarded to the Trust by Leader+ under the Rural Development Programme for England to enable the restoration and display of St James mausoleum stained glass and to enable additional community activities. This restoration is now complete and the glass is now available to view.

The Trust's current activities are funded only by public donations and from building hire fees where these can be obtained. The Trust has no employees, the Trustees act as the officers and volunteer managers of the centre. They receive no remuneration from the company. The future of the centre will be dependent on its ability to raise public donations and hire fees to cover the heritage centre's basic annual running costs.

During the year, the building has been used for a range of Covid-permitted activities including concerts, lectures and exhibitions providing income to meet the running costs. The village school has continued to use the building for end-of-term gatherings and other events. Various organisations have held meetings at the church and a series of educational activities were organised for secondary and primary school pupils from Hull and the East Riding. In addition the church has been open for a number of weekends over the summer with volunteers providing refreshments and information about the Wolds to visitors.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The St James Warter Preservation Trust Limited is a company limited by guarantee governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 19 August 1996. It is registered as a charity with the Charity Commission. Anyone can become a member of the company and there are currently 5 members each of whom agree to contribute £1 in the event of the charity winding up.

Appointment of Trustees

As set out in the Articles of Association the chair of the Trustees is nominated by the Trustees. New Trustees are appointed under the terms of the Trust Deed and by the invitation of the existing Trustees.

Trustee induction and training

New Trustees are briefed on their legal obligations under charity and company law, the content of the Memorandum and Articles of Association, the activities of the Trustees and their decision-making processes, the business plan and recent financial performance of the charity.

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Organisation

The Board of Trustees, which can have up to 15 members, administers the charity. The full board meets at least three times each year. During the year, sub-committees meet from time to time to supervise and approve the management of the charitable activities.

Risk management

The Trustees have considered and identified the major risks to which the Trust is exposed. The risks have been prioritised in terms of potential impact and the likelihood of occurrences, and means have been identified for mitigating the risks.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

During the year the charity received donations of £ 95 (2023 – £474) and generated £ 1,016 (2023 – £2,396) from its community activities. Grant income of £nil was received in the year (2023 – £nil). In the year £ 24,388 (2023 – £26,934) was expended on charitable activities relating to the operation of the building and community-related activities, including non-cash depreciation of the building of £22,554 (2023 – £22,554).

At 31 August 2024 the Restricted Fund amounted to £ 161,332 (2023 – £184,609) and the unrestricted fund to nil (2023 – nil).

Investment powers and policy

Under the Memorandum and Articles of Association, the charity has the power to invest in any way the Trustees wish. The Trustees have regard to the liquidity requirements of the St James Warter and to the reserves policy. At the year end all funds were held in cash.

Reserves policy

The Trustees have established the level of reserves (that is those funds that are freely available) that the charity ought to have. Reserves are needed to meet the cost of unexpected emergency repairs to St James Warter. The Trustees consider that the level of cash reserves as at 31 August 2024 of £ 3,833 (2023 – £4,556) to be adequate for this purpose. The Trustees' fundraising strategy is to raise sums to maintain the reserves at a similar level.

PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

Following the completion of the restoration of St James Warter, the Trust continues making use of the building to run a programme of community meetings, to stage arts-based events, and to promote the heritage of the Yorkshire Wolds.

MEMBERS

The members of the company are the serving Trustees and Directors.

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TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES IN RELATION TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements that give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity at the end of the financial year and of its surplus or deficit for the financial year. In doing so the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable account policies and then apply them consistently;
- make sound judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enables them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. The Trustees 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.

By order of the Trustees

Rose Horspool

8th April 2025

Rose Horspool (Chair)

**ST JAMES WARTER
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCLUDING INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024**

	Notes	2024 Restricted Fund	2023 Restricted Fund
INCOME & EXPENDITURE			
INCOMING RESOURCES FROM GENERATED FUNDS			
Voluntary income:			
Grant Income		-	-
Donations		95	474
INCOMING RESOURCES FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES			
Operating Income – Community Activities		1,016	2,396
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		<u>1,111</u>	<u>2,870</u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED			
Charitable Activities – Operation of			
Building and Community Activities	3	24,375	26,621
Governance Costs	3	13	313
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		<u>24,388</u>	<u>26,934</u>
NET (OUTGOING)/INCOMING RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR AND NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS			
		(23,277)	(24,064)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total Funds Brought Forward	7	184,609	208,673
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	7	<u><u>161,332</u></u>	<u><u>184,609</u></u>

**ST JAMES WARTER
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BALANCE SHEET
AT 31 AUGUST 2024**

	Notes	2024 Restricted Fund	2023 Restricted Fund
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible Fixed Assets	2	157,499	180,053
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors – Insurance Prepayments		-	-
Cash at Bank		3,833	4,556
		3,833	4,556
CREDITORS (AMOUNTS DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR)			
Accruals	6	-	-
NET CURRENT ASSETS		3,833	4,556
TOTAL ASSETS LESS LIABILITIES (rounded)		161,332	184,609
UNRESTRICTED FUND	7	-	-
RESTRICTED FUND	7	161,332	184,609
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS	7	161,332	184,609

STATEMENTS

- (a) For the year ending 31 August 2024 the company was entitled to exemption under section 480 of the Companies Act 2006.
- (b) The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.
- (c) The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for:
- ensuring that the company keeps proper accounting records which comply with section 386; and preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of its profit or loss for the financial year, in accordance with the requirements of section 993, and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.
- (d) These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to the small companies regime.

Approved by the Board of Directors

Rose Horspool

Rose Horspool (Chair)

8th April 2025.

**ST JAMES WARTER
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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
31 AUGUST 2024**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

The accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

Grants receivable

In accordance with the requirements of the Charity Commission all grants receivable, whether restricted for capital expenditure or otherwise, are recognised when receivable within the current accounting period. All grants are credited to the statement of financial activities.

Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised when a liability is incurred. Contractual arrangements are recognised as goods and services are supplied.

Tangible fixed assets

All tangible fixed assets are capitalised at cost.

Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value based on prices prevailing at the date of acquisition, of each asset evenly over its expected useful life as follows:

Freehold property	– 20 years
Plant and equipment	– 4 years
Computer equipment	– 3 years

The carrying values of tangible fixed assets are reviewed for impairment if events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be reasonable.

Investments

Investments are stated at market value. Changes in the market value of investments are recorded in the income and expenditure accounts.

Taxation

The Trust is a registered charity and consequently has no liability to corporation tax.

Restricted funds

The Trust has a restricted fund to account for situations where a donor or grant provider requires that donation or grant to be spent on a particular purpose or where funds have been raised for a specific purpose.

Volunteers and donated services and facilities

The value of services provided by volunteers is not incorporated into these financial statements.

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2. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property £	Plant and equipment £	Total £
Cost:			
At 1 September 2023	500,372	13,991	514,363
Additions	-	-	-
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At 31 August 2024	500,372	13,991	514,363
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Depreciation:			
At 1 September 2023	297,377	13,991	311,368
Provided during the year	22,554	-	22,554
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At 31 August 2024	319,931	13,991	333,922
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Net Book Value:			
At 31 August 2024	157,499	0	157,499
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At 31 August 2023	180,053	0	180,053
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Freehold property represents building conservation and restoration work completed on St James Church Warter. Costs are depreciated over 20 years, their anticipated useful life from the date of completion of building works. The property was originally acquired for £1.

3. TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED

	Charitable activities £	Governance costs £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Repairs	294	-	294	1,510
Depreciation	22,554		22,554	22,554
Accountant's Fees	0		0	300
Companies House Fees	13		13	13
Bank Charges	40		40	0
Light, Water & Heat	1,115	-	1,115	1,140
Insurance	120	-	120	120
21/22 Creditor	-	-		375
Website	50	-	50	148
Officials Expenses	202	-	202	575
Other				200
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Total Resources Expended	24,388		24,388	26,934
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4. TRUSTEES AND EMPLOYEES

No Trustee received any remuneration or benefits from the Trust during the year. There are no employees.

5. MEMBERS' LIABILITY

The company was incorporated as a company limited by guarantee and therefore it has no share capital. The members' liability is restricted to £1 each.

6. CREDITORS (AMOUNTS DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR)

	2024	2023
	£	£
Accruals	-	-
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total creditors	-	-
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7. ANALYSIS OF CHARITABLE FUNDS

	Balance at 31 August 2023	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Gains on revaluation	Fund at 31 August 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Fund	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted Fund	184,609	1,111	(24,388)	-	161,332
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The restricted fund comprises funds for the restoration of the redundant church St James Warter, and the bringing of that church into use for community purposes.