

# THE FRIENDS OF ALL SAINTS CHURCH HITCHAM

Registered Charity no: 1072625

Report and Financial Statements

Year Ended

31 March 2024

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**The Friends of All Saints Church Hitcham**  
Registered Charity No 1072625

**Reference and Administrative Information**

**Trustees**

MGF Currie, RMA England, RNF Currie, SJ Squirrell

**Registered Address**

Dale House, Dale Road, Hitcham. Ipswich IP7 7PU

**Registered Charity Number**

1072625

**Executive Committee**

MGF Currie (Hon Chairman), RMA England (Hon Treasurer) and RNF Currie (Hon Secretary),  
SJ Squirrell, Y Davis (stepped down 20 January 2024), Paul Southcott, J Bready (co-opted 21 January  
2024) G Hurford (PCC representative)

**Independent Examiner**

C Camp, Hill Barn, Bury Road, Hitcham, Ipswich. IP7 7PT

**Report of the Trustees for the year ending March 2024**

**Structure, Governance and Management**

The charity's constitution was adopted on 7 November 1998.

**Trustees**

The current trustees are MGF Currie, RMA England S Squirrell and RNF Currie

All the trustees were re elected on 25 September 2023. The elected trustees are very familiar with the workings of the charity, three having previously been trustees when the charity was formed. New trustees are selected by the Executive Committee and are invited to attend a meeting with the chairman to familiarise themselves with the charity.

**Objects and activities**

The objects of the Friends are to maintain, restore and preserve for the benefit of the public the furnishings of the parish church and churchyard of All Saints, Hitcham in the Diocese of St Edmundsbury and, in so doing, preserve and protect the church as a place of Christian worship and as the architectural centerpiece of the village of Hitcham.

To meet these objectives the Friends fund raise on behalf of Hitcham Parochial Church Council (PCC) and have a membership subscription.

**Performance**

The Trustees continue to work with the PCC on maintenance and on-going repairs. The new church car park in Fen Lane was completed.

The charity also supported the PCC with maintenance costs by restoring the East Window, repairing the casement in the south aisle, replacing the floor on the north side of the nave and repairing the church yard fence. No contribution was made towards the cost of the insurance, this year.

#### Financial Review

Annual membership subscriptions are £12/person /year or £18 per family. Life time membership is closed to new members. The Friends received £798 in donations, £1,000 from a legacy and £23,309 in grants. Any VAT reclaimed through the Listed Places of Worship Grant Fund is shown in Miscellaneous income. The charity has no debts.

#### Donations 'in memoriam'

There was one donation in memoriam this year.

#### Legacies Policy

At the 2021 AGM the meeting adopted a policy whereby any legacy of £1000 or more should be invested in the CCLA charities fund or a similar fund as selected by the trustees whilst amounts under £1000 can either be retained for annual costs or also invested as appropriate.

#### Reserves Policy

The charity's primary source of income is the membership subscriptions.

A CCLA COIF Charities investment fund holding was initially created from Dr Fisher's £20K legacy. It is set up as a long term investment to ensure an income for running repairs.

On behalf of the Executive Committee



MGF Currie

Chairman and Trustee

Dated: 7th June, 2024.

**Independent Examiners Report to the trustees of The Friends of All Saints Church Hitcham  
registered charity number 1072625.**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Friends of All Saints Church  
Hitcham (the Trust) for the year ending 31 March 2024.

**Responsibilities and basis report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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 Trust's 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 Trust as required by section 130 of the  
Act; or

2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or

3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and  
content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other

than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter  
considered as part of an independent examination.

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:



Name: Charles Camp

Relevant professional qualification: Company Director

Address: Hill Barn, Bury Road, Hitcham, Ipswich. IP7 7PT

Date:

23rd April 2024

**THE FRIENDS OF ALL SAINTS CHURCH HITCHAM**  
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**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**

For the year to 31 March 2024.

INCOME	2024	2023	2023
<b>Voluntary Income</b>			
Subscriptions	1,331	1,513	
Members donations	798	41,794	
Donations from others:	1,000	25	
Gift Aid tax reclaimed from HMRC	0	10,736	
Misc	0	875	
<b>Fund Raising</b>			
Fund Raising Activities	0	0	
Project Grants Car Park 2023	21,019	9,850	
Project Grants Windows etc	21,019	0	
Project Grants Jubilee Panels	3,516	0	
<b>Total Fund Raising Income</b>	<b>24,535</b>	<b>9,850</b>	
<b>Investment Income</b>			
Nationwide B/S Instant Access	382	90	
Nationwide B/S Day Access	306	0	
COLF Dividends	859	859	
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>1,547</b>	<b>949</b>	
<b>TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES</b>	<b>29,211</b>	<b>65,742</b>	
<b>Expenditure</b>			
<b>Costs of generating funds</b>			
Stationery, postage etc	0	0	
Fund raising/events costs	0	0	
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	
<b>Annual Charitable Donations</b>			
Hitcham Parochial Church Council re:	0	1,000	
Church Insurance Premium	32,007	1,426	
Windows and Floor	32,007	2,426	
<b>Project Donations</b>			
Car park	34,744	6,989	
Jubilee Panels	3,361	200	
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>38,105</b>	<b>7,189</b>	
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>70,112</b>	<b>9,615</b>	
<b>Unrealised Investment Gain/(Loss)</b>	<b>2,683</b>	<b>-1,094</b>	
<b>Net income/(expenditure) for year including fund raising</b>	<b>-38,218</b>	<b>55,033</b>	
<b>FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD</b>	<b>111,379</b>	<b>56,346</b>	
<b>FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>	<b>73,161</b>	<b>111,379</b>	

**THE FRIENDS OF ALL SAINTS CHURCH HITCHAM**  
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**BALANCE SHEET**

For the year to 31 March 2024.

Current assets		2024	2023
Bank current account		£ 10,451	£ 52,899
Nationwide Building Society Inst Access		£ 19,970	£ 23,729
Nationwide Building Society 95 day		£ 10,400	£ 5,094
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		<b>£ 40,821</b>	<b>£ 81,722</b>
<b>Fixed Assets</b>			
Designated Funds			
CCLA COIF Investment Fund		32,340	29,657
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>		<b>£ 32,340</b>	<b>£ 29,657</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>		<b>£ 73,161</b>	<b>£ 111,379</b>

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2023

Annual

Life

8  
146

3

47

Ann Sytret legacy

Suffolk Historic Churches Trust

Lord Belstead CT

Scafe CT

Alfred Williams CT

Private CT

Suffolk Historic Churches Trust

National Churches Trust

Collection D Turner's Funerals

Hitcham Feoffment Charity

### 3 Pledged grants and donations

which do not appear in the accounts

Suffolk Historic Churches Trust re Jubilee Panels

Ann Sytref Legacy

#### 4 Investment of Designated Funds

Market

Value

Additions

3

Disposals

75

Market

Value

£32,340

Gains / (Loss)

67

32,683

£70,112

£3,361

E34,744

£11,061

£20,946

East Window restoration

## East Window restoration

and south aisle casement repair

Nave floor (north side) replaced

Car park (balance)

Jubilee Panels (balance)

