

# ROYAL AIR FORCES ASSOCIATION FORMBY BRANCH

England & Wales · Charity number 1078906

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Other

**Registered** 2000-01-13

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

## Contact

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**Website** [www.rafa.org.uk](http://www.rafa.org.uk)

## Activities

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**Objects:** AS PER RAFA (226686)

**Activities:** Welfare of serving and ex-serving Air Force people and their dependants, and provision for gatherings to offer Comrade ship and and to present updated information and opportunities for sharing information and to enjoy one another's company.

## Classification

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- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Other Defined Groups

## Geography

- **Area of benefit:** FORMBY, MERSEYSIDE
- Throughout England And Wales

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£29,646	£21,459	-	-
2024-12-31	£28,868	£20,490	-	-
2023-12-31	£28,561	£34,491	-	-
2022-12-31	£25,864	£11,001	-	-
2021-12-31	£29,196	£74,082	-	-
2020-12-31	£29,416	£18,378	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
<b>David McGregor</b>	Chair	2017-03-01
Alan Smith HWO		2020-03-10
David Williams		2004-03-31
June Sefton		2020-03-10
Les Meadows		2020-03-10
Robert Anderton		2020-03-10

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Signed on behalf of the branch's trustees

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**Signature**

*Alan Smith*

**Full Name**

Alan Smith

**Position (eg. Chair, Secretary)**

Secretary

**Date**

7<sup>th</sup> April 2025

**The Royal Air Forces Association - Formby Branch**

**Balance Sheet As At 31st December 2024**

	2024		2023	
	£	£	£	£
<b><u>Fixed Assets</u></b>				
N/A				
<b><u>Current Assets</u></b>				
Debtor (RAFA)		5,644		5,371
Cash at bank - current A/c (23815285)		20,689		21,970
Investment savings A/c Rathbones		1,081,996		1,005,606
Investment savings A/c Rothchild		35,769		33,057
		<u>1,144,098</u>		<u>1,066,004</u>
<b><u>Less Current Liabilities</u></b>				
RAFA Conference (unpresented CHQ159)		127		129
Welfare (Xmas unpresented CHQ158)		660		44
Rothbury House				10,000
		<u>787</u>		<u>10,173</u>
 Net Current assets/(Liabilities)		<u><u>1,143,311</u></u>		<u><u>1,055,831</u></u>
<b>Represented By:</b>				
<b>Accumulated Fund</b>				
Balance as at 31st December 2023		1,055,831		1,017,089
Surplus(Deficit) for the year		8378		-5930
Increase/Decrease in investment Savings A/C (Rathbones £76390 + Rothchild £2712)		79,102		44,672
 Balance As At 31st December 2024		<u><u>1,143,311</u></u>		<u><u>1,055,831</u></u>

## The Royal Air Forces Association - Formby Branch

### Income and Expenditure Account for year ended 31st December 2024

#### Community Account 23815285

	2,024		2023	
	£	£	£	£
<b><u>Income</u></b>				
Membership rebate		564		511
Investment interest received		22,660		22,679
Investment A/C Rathbones		5,644		5,371
		<hr/>		<hr/>
Total income		28,868		28,561
<b><u>Expenditure</u></b>				
<b><u>Donations</u></b>				
Squadron 1439 (Kit CHQ144)		2,500		957
Squadron 1128 (Transport CHQ153)		1,000		1,000
Squadron 2348 (Trans+Trip CHQ141+142)		3,974		2,000
squadron 611(Transport CHQ140)		2,000		
Squadron 611				4,045
Squadron 281 (Kit CHQ143)		1,026		
Squadron 1126 (Transport CHQ145)		1,500		
Squadron 1908 (CHQ148)		780		
Trophy Cadet Prizes (CHQ136+151+154)		496		
Trophy Cadet award scheme				400
Cadet Trophies				432
Botanic Roundel (CHQ134+152)		1,100		500
Lancaster Display Model				1,000
Merseyside Wing D of E				1,703
RAFA Big Ride				1,000
Total Donations		<hr/>		<hr/>
		14,376		13,037
<b><u>Other Expenses</u></b>				
Atkinson (CHQ138)		1,500		
Catering (CHQ135+137+157)		572		
Gazebo/Reader(CHQ136+139)		1,990		
Conference (CHQ159+156)		417		364
Welfare CHQ158+146+147)		1,431		954
Expenses(CHQ119+120+125)				116
Wreaths (CHQ155+156)		70		20
RAFA Rothbury House				10,000
RAFA Benevolent Fund				10,000
MISC (CHQ137+149+150)		134		
Total Other Expenses		<hr/>		<hr/>
		6,114		21,454
		<hr/>		<hr/>
Total Expenses		20,490		34,491
<b>Surplus(Deficit) for the year</b>		<hr/> <hr/>		<hr/> <hr/>
		8,378		-5,930



**Section A**

**Independent Examiner's Report**

**Report to the trustees/  
members of**

Charity Name  
Royal Air Force Association (Formby Branch)

**On accounts for the year  
ended**

31st December 2024  
**Charity no  
(if any)** 1078906

**Set out on pages**

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

**Responsibilities and  
basis of 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 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 (other than that disclosed below \*) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

**Signed:**

*Sally Billington*

**Date:**

9.3.25

**Name:**

Mrs J S Billington

**Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body  
(if any):**

AAT  
CMI

**Address:**

4 Ward Avenue Formby Merseyside L37 2JD

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

**Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.**

## **The Royal Air Forces Association - Formby Branch**

### Notes to the Financial statements

The Financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting policies.

I have completed the financial statements of the Royal Air Forces Association Formby branch for the year ended 31st Decmber 2024, which comprises of the Income and Expenditure account, Balance Sheet.The Financial Statements have been prepared from the accounting records and evidence supplied to me.

Mrs J S Billington  
4 Ward Avenue  
Formby  
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**Full Name**

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**Position (eg. Chair, Secretary)**

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**Date**

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## The Royal Air Forces Association - Formby Branch

### Balance Sheet As At 31st December 2023

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	£	£
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Aramark Defence Services		84
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<b>Accumulated Fund</b>		
Balance as at 31st December 2022	1,017,089	1,164,264
Surplus(Deficit) for the year	-5930	14,863
Increase/Decrease in investment Savings A/C (Rathbones £41091 + Rothchild -£3581)	44,672	-162,038
Balance As At 31st december 2023	<u>1,055,831</u>	<u>1,017,089</u>

## The Royal Air Forces Association - Formby Branch

### Income and Expenditure Account for year ended 31st December 2023

#### Community Account 23815285

	2023	2,022
	£	£
<b><u>Income</u></b>		
Membership rebate	511	618
Investment interest received	22679	19,668
Investment A/C Rathbones (owing)	5371	5,578
Total income	<u>28,561.00</u>	25,864
 <b><u>Expenditure</u></b>		
<b><u>Donations</u></b>		
Squadron 1439 (CHQ109 - IPAD))	957	
Squadron 1439		1,372
Squadron 1128 (CHQ114)	1,000	
Squadron 2348 (Transport CHQ108+111)	2,000	
Squadron 611(TransportCHQ110+124))	4,045	
Ukraine		8,000
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Trophy Cadet award scheme (CHQ113+115+118+126)	400	352
Cadet Trophies(CHQ116)	432	
Botanic Roundel (CHQ112)	500	500
Lancaster Display Model (CHQ127)	1,000	
Merseyside Wing D of E(CHQ130)	1,703	
RAFA Big Ride (CHQ121)	1,000	
Total Donations	<u>13,037</u>	<u>10,308</u>
 <b><u>Other Expenses</u></b>		
Annual Conference (CHQ133+125)	364	
Welfare (CHQ122+123+128+129)	954	320
Chair Exp		250
Expenses(CHQ119+120+125)	116	
Wreaths(CHQ125)	20	123
RAFA Rothbury House (CGQ132)	10,000	
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Total Other Expenses	<u>21,454</u>	<u>693</u>
Total Expenses	<u>34,491</u>	11,001
<b>Surplus(Deficit) for the year</b>	<u><u>-5930</u></u>	<u><u>14,863</u></u>

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**Risk management**

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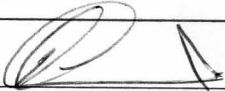
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Signed on behalf of the branch's trustees

<b>Signature(s)</b>		
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Alan Smith	
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Secretary	

**Date** 4<sup>th</sup> April 2024

**ROYAL AIR FORCES ASSOCIATION FORMBY BRANCH**

England & Wales - Charity number 1078906

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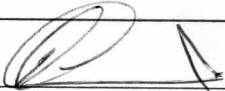
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<b>Full name(s)</b>	Alan Smith	
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Secretary	

**Date** 4<sup>th</sup> April 2024

## The Royal Air Forces Association - Formby Branch

### Balance Sheet As At 31st December 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
<b><u>Fixed Assets</u></b>		
N/A		
<b><u>Current Assets</u></b>		
Debtor (RAFA)	5,371	5,578
Cash at bank - current A/c (23815285)	21,970	17,604
(Transfer of Ac 2386913+33689670 to 23815285)		
Investment savings A/c Rathbones	1,005,606	964,515
Investment savings A/c Rothchild	33,057	29,476
	<u>1,066,004</u>	<u>1,017,173</u>
<b><u>Less Current Liabilities</u></b>		
Aramark Defence Services		84
Rothbury House	10,000	
RAFA Conference (unpresented CHQ133)	129	
Welfare (Xmas unpresented CHQ128)	44	
	<u>10,173</u>	<u>84</u>
Net Current assets/(Liabilities)	<u>1,055,831</u>	<u>1,017,089</u>
<b>Represented By:</b>		
<b>Accumulated Fund</b>		
Balance as at 31st December 2022	1,017,089	1,164,264
Surplus(Deficit) for the year	-5930	14,863
Increase/Decrease in investment Savings A/C (Rathbones £41091 + Rothchild -£3581)	44,672	-162,038
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## The Royal Air Forces Association - Formby Branch

### Income and Expenditure Account for year ended 31st December 2023

#### Community Account 23815285

	2023	2,022
	£	£
<b><u>Income</u></b>		
Membership rebate	511	618
Investment interest received	22679	19,668
Investment A/C Rathbones (owing)	5371	5,578
Total income	<u>28,561.00</u>	25,864
 <b><u>Expenditure</u></b>		
<b><u>Donations</u></b>		
Squadron 1439 (CHQ109 - IPAD))	957	
Squadron 1439		1,372
Squadron 1128 (CHQ114)	1,000	
Squadron 2348 (Transport CHQ108+111)	2,000	
Squadron 611(TransportCHQ110+124))	4,045	
Ukraine		8,000
Aramark Defence Services		84
Trophy Cadet award scheme (CHQ113+115+118+126)	400	352
Cadet Trophies(CHQ116)	432	
Botanic Roundel (CHQ112)	500	500
Lancaster Display Model (CHQ127)	1,000	
Merseyside Wing D of E(CHQ130)	1,703	
RAFA Big Ride (CHQ121)	1,000	
Total Donations	<u>13,037</u>	<u>10,308</u>
 <b><u>Other Expenses</u></b>		
Annual Conference (CHQ133+125)	364	
Welfare (CHQ122+123+128+129)	954	320
Chair Exp		250
Expenses(CHQ119+120+125)	116	
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**Section A**

**Independent Examiner's Report**

**Report to the trustees/  
members of**

Charity Name  
Royal Air Forces Association (Formby Branch)

**On accounts for the year  
ended**

31.12.23	<b>Charity no (if any)</b>	1078906
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**Set out on pages**

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

**Responsibilities and  
basis of 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 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 (other than that disclosed below \*) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

*\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

**Signed:**  **Date:**

**Name:**

**Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body  
(if any):**

AAT  
CMI

**Address:**

4 Ward Avenue Formby Merseyside L37 2JD

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

**Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.**

## **The Royal Air Forces Association - Formby Branch**

### Notes to the Financial statements

The Financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting policies.

I have completed the financial statements of the Royal Air Forces Association Formby branch for the year ended 31st Decmber 2023, which comprises of the Income and Expenditure account, Balance Sheet. The Financial Statements have been prepared from the accounting records and evidence supplied to me.

Mrs J S Billington  
4 Ward Avenue  
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Merseyside  
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**ROYAL AIR FORCES ASSOCIATION FORMBY BRANCH**

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A successful Wings week in Formby and Botanic Gardens Churchtown Southport raised £197.

A store collection raised £555

Southport Air Show raised £780

Christmas Raffle raised £46

Air Cadets envelope appeal £375

A grant of £500 was given to the Botanical Gardens to develop a floral Roundel dedicated to the RAF Association keeping the Association in the spotlight in Southport.

Grants amounting to £4000 for the running costs of RAFAC Squadron Mini Buses.

Grant of £957 for RAFAC IT training materials.

Grant for Ukraine Family Welfare of £8000

Award scheme for RAF Air Cadets developed this year for Best Cadet and Squadron with the best charity appeal. This initiative is well accepted by the Squadrons.

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<b>Full name(s)</b>	David McGregor	Alan Smith
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Chairman	Secretary

**Date** 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2023

## The Royal Air Forces Association - Formby Branch

### Balance Sheet As At 31st December 2022

	2022		2021	
	£	£	£	£
<b><u>Fixed Assets</u></b>				
N/A				
<b><u>Current Assets</u></b>				
Debtor Member Rebate			642	
Debtor (RAFA)	5,578		5,788	
Cash at bank - current A/c (23815285)	17,604		44,855	
(Transfer of Ac 2386913+33689670 to 23815285)				
Cash at bank - deposit A/c(23689670)			5,031	
Cash at bank - A/c (23863913)			5,000	
Investment savings A/c Rathbones	964,515		1,126,030	
Investment savings A/c Rothchild	29,476			
	<u>1,017,173</u>		<u>1,187,346</u>	
<b><u>Less Current Liabilities</u></b>				
Aramark Defence Services (unpresented CHQ106)	84		82	
Squadron 2348			1,000	
Squadron 611			1,000	
Squadron1128			1,000	
RAFA Benevolent Fund			20,000	
	<u>84</u>		<u>23,082</u>	
Net Current assets/(Liabilities)		<u><u>1,017,089</u></u>		<u><u>1,164,264</u></u>
<b>Represented By:</b>				
<b>Accumulated Fund</b>				
Balance as at 31st December 2021		1,164,264		1,126,222
Surplus(Deficit) for the year		14,863		-44,886
Increase/Decrease in investment Savings A/C		-162,038		82,285
(Rathbones -£161,515 + Rothchild -£523)				
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Bad debt provision(member rebate)				642
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**The Royal Air Forces Association - Formby Branch**

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**Community Account 23815285**

	2,022		2021	
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<b>Total income</b>		<hr/>	<hr/>	
			25,864	29,196
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Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

**Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)**

Type of adviser	Name	Address

**Section B                      Structure, governance and management**

**Description of the branch's trusts**

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**Additional governance issues (Optional information)**

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- relationship with any related parties (including branch club);

<p><b>Charity's organisational structure</b></p> <p>The charity is a branch of the Royal Air Forces Association which is a Royal Charter body and registered as a charity in England and Wales under number 226686 and in Scotland under SC037673 ("the Association"). The Association has many branches all of which share the same charitable object as the Association and are subject to the same constitution.</p> <p><b>Trustee induction and training</b></p> <p><b>Related party relationships – club (if operated)</b></p>
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- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

**Risk management**

## **Section C Objectives and activities**

**Summary of the objects of the branch set out in its governing document**

To promote, through the comradeship engendered by its members, the welfare by charitable means of all serving and former members of Her Majesty's Air Forces, their spouses and dependents, together with the widows and widowers and dependents of those who died whilst serving or subsequently.

**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)**

### **Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)**

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
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## **Section D Achievements and performance**

**Summary of the main achievements of the branch during the year**

Formby Branch have actively supported the following ATC Squadrons 611 Woodvale Sqn. 281 Southport Sqn. 1026 Ormskirk Sqn. 1128 Crosby Sqn. 2348 Maghull Sqn. 1439 Skelmersdale Sqn. With grants for equipment to benefit the Cadet. In support of transport. Computer equipment

A successful Wings week in Formby and Botanic Gardens Churchtown Southport raised £197.

A store collection raised £555

Southport Air Show raised £780

Christmas Raffle raised £46

Air Cadets envelope appeal £375

A grant of £500 was given to the Botanical Gardens to develop a floral Roundel dedicated to the RAF Association keeping the Association in the spotlight in Southport.

Grants amounting to £4000 for the running costs of RAFAC Squadron Mini Buses.

Grant of £957 for RAFAC IT training materials.

Grant for Ukraine Family Welfare of £8000

Award scheme for RAF Air Cadets developed this year for Best Cadet and Squadron with the best charity appeal. This initiative is well accepted by the Squadrons.

**Section E Financial review**

**Brief statement of the branch's policy on reserves**

A Policy on reserve funding has been set to take into account the forecast branch annual expenditure.

**Details of any funds materially in deficit**

**Further financial review details (Optional information)**



You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the branch's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the branch;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Branch income is mainly from dividends from investments in Rathbone's ethical investment portfolio and membership rebate.

The Branch charitable objectives are to promote through comradeship engendered by its members, the welfare by charitable means of all serving or former members of our Air Forces, their spouses and dependants, together with the widows and widowers and dependants of those who died while serving or subsequently.

## Section F Other optional information

## Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the branch's trustees

<b>Signature(s)</b>	<i>David McGregor</i>	<i>Alan Smith</i>
<b>Full name(s)</b>	David McGregor	Alan Smith
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Chairman	Secretary

**Date** 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2023

**ROYAL AIR FORCES ASSOCIATION FORMBY BRANCH**

England & Wales - Charity number 1078906

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# Accounts

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<b>Trustees' Annual Report for the period</b>						
Period start date			<b>To</b>	Period end date		
Day 01	Month 01	Year 2021		Day 31	Month 12	Year 2021

## Section A

## Reference and administration details

**Branch name**

Formby

(referred to hereinafter as either the "Branch" or the "Charity")

**Other names / number Branch is known by**

1242

**Registered charity number (if any)**

1078906

**Branch's principal address**



RAF Woodvale, Formby By Pass, Formby,

Liverpool, Merseyside

**Postcode**

**L37 7AD**

**Names of the Branch charity trustees who manage the charity (generally known as the Branch Committee)**

	<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Office (if any)</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	<b>Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)</b>
1	D McGregor	Chairman		AGM
2	T D Williams	Treasurer		AGM
3	A Smith	Secretary		AGM
4	Mrs J Sefton	Wings		AGM
5	Mr Bob Anderton	Membership	8 <sup>th</sup> March 2022	AGM
6	Mr Les Meadows	Vice Chairman	8 <sup>th</sup> March 2022	AGM
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**Names of any other trustees for the Branch (for example, any custodian trustees in relation to branch property)**

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

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Type of adviser	Name	Address

**Section B Structure, governance and management**

**Description of the branch's trusts**

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Trustee selection methods (e.g. appointed by, elected by)	Elected by the branch membership

**Additional governance issues (Optional information)**

Charity's organisational structure



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- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

and Wales under number 226686 and in Scotland under SC037673 ("the Association"). The Association has many branches all of which share the same charitable object as the Association and are subject to the same constitution.

### **Trustee induction and training**

### **Related party relationships - club (if operated)**

### **Risk management**

## **Section C**

## **Objectives and activities**

### **Summary of the objects of the branch set out in its governing document**

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A successful Wings week in Formby and Botanic Gardens Churchtown Southport raised £620.

A donation of £50000 was made to the development of Rothbury House

A donation of £20000 was made to the RAF Benevolent Fund

A grant of £500 was given to the Botanical Gardens to develop a floral Roundel dedicated to the RAF Association keeping the Association in the spotlight in Southport.

Sadly our previous secretary Fred Jones has reluctantly given up his membership for health reasons at the ripe old age of 96. Even so he keeps a sharp eye on us.

## Section E

## Financial review

### Brief statement of the branch's policy on reserves

A Policy on reserve funding has been set to take into account the forecast branch annual expenditure.



**Details of any funds materially in deficit**

**Further financial review details (Optional information)**

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

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- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the branch;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

**Section F Other optional information**

**Section G Declaration**

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

Signed on behalf of the branch’s trustees

<b>Signature(s)</b>	<i>David McGregor</i>	<i>Alan Smith</i>
<b>Full name(s)</b>	David McGregor	Alan Smith
<b>Position (e.g.)</b>	Chairman	Secretary



**Date**



## The Royal Air Forces Association - Formby Branch

### Income and Expenditure Account for year ended 31st December 2021

#### Community Account 23815285

	2021		2020	
	£	£	£	£
<b><u>Income</u></b>				
Membership rebate			678	
Investment interest received	19,090		23,469	
Bank interest received			4	
Investment A/C Rathbones (owing)	5,788		5,265	
Refund HSBC	4,318			
Total income		29,196		29,416
<b><u>Expenditure</u></b>				
<b><u>Donations made</u></b>				
Botanic Roundel (CHQ85)	500			
Botanic Roundel (CHQ86)	500			
Squadron 1128 (CHQ88)	1,000			
Squadron 2348 (CHQ89)	1,000			
Squadron 611 (CHQ90)	1,000			
Aramark Defence Services(cateringCHQ91)	82			
RAFA Rothbury House BldgAppeal(CHQ92)	50,000			
RAFA Benevolent Fund (CHQ93)	20,000			
Donations made			17,039	
Botanic Roundel			500	
Miscellaneous			161	
Transfer to Covid-19 welfare A/c			678	
		74,082		18,378
<b>Surplus(Deficit) for the year</b>		<b>-44,886</b>		<b>11,038</b>

**The Royal Air Forces Association - Formby Branch**

**Income and Expenditure Account for year ended 31st December 2020** <sup>2021</sup> 

**Community Account 23863913**

NIL TRANSACTIONS

2021  
£                      £

**Income**

Bank interest received

NIL

Total income

NIL

**Expenditure**

NIL

**Surplus(Deficit) for the year**

**NIL**

**The Royal Air Forces Association - Formby Branch**

**Income and Expenditure Account for year ended 31st December <sup>2021</sup>2020**

**Business Premium Account 33683670**

	2021	
	£	£
<b><u>Income</u></b>		
Bank interest received	.52p	
Total income		.52p
<b><u>Expenditure</u></b>		
Nil Expenditure		
<b>Surplus(Deficit) for the year</b>		<b><u>.52p</u></b>

# The Royal Air Forces Association - Formby Branch

Balance Sheet As At 31st December ~~2020~~ 2021

	2021		2020	
	£	£	£	£
<b><u>Fixed Assets</u></b>				
N/A				
<b><u>Current Assets</u></b>				
Debtor Member Rebate		642		
Debtor (RAFA)		5,788		5,265
Cash at bank - current A/c (23815285)		44,855		67,182
Cash at bank - deposit A/c(23689670)		5,031		5030
Cash at bank - A/c (23863913)		5,000		5000
Cash in hand				
Investment savings A/c		1,126,030		1,043,745
		<u>1,187,346</u>		<u>1,126,222</u>
<b><u>Less Current Liabilities</u></b>				
Squadron 2348 (unpresented CHQ89)		1,000		
Squadron 1128(unpresented CHQ88)		1,000		
Squadron 611(unpresented CHQ90)		1,000		
Aramark Defence Services(unpre CHQ91)		82		
RAFA Benevolent Fund(unpre CHQ93)		20,000		
		<u>23,082</u>		<u>Nil</u>
Net Current assets/(Liabilities)		<u>1,164,264</u>		<u>1,126,222</u>
<b>Represented By:</b>				
<b>Accumulated Fund</b>				
Balance as at 31st December 2020		1,126,222		1,081,433
Surplus(Deficit) for the year		-44,886		11,038
Increase in investment Savings A/C		82,285		33,751
increase Bank Account 33683670		1		
Bad debt provision(member rebate)		642		
Balance As At 31st december 2021		<u>1,164,264</u>		<u>1,126,222</u>

# Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees /  
management committee  
of

ROYAL AIRFORCES ASSOCIATION FORMBY BRANCH

On accounts for the year  
ended

31 DECEMBER 2021

Charity no  
(if any)

1078906

**Independent  
examiner's statement**

You are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

I have completed my examination of the accounts of the charity.

I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (~~other than that disclosed below\*~~) which give me cause to believe that:

- the accounting records were not sufficient to show and explain all the (Branch/~~Branch Club's~~) transactions for the year
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not contain a sufficient record of the assets and liabilities of the (Branch/~~Branch Club~~)

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn.

*\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:



Date:

2/3/21

Name:

MRS JENNIFER SALLY BILLINGTON

## Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern

Give here brief details  
of any items that the  
examiner wishes to  
disclose.

## The Royal Air Forces Association - Formby Branch

### Notes to the Financial statements

The Financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting policies.

Separate Income & expenditure Accounts shown for individual Bank Accounts held

I have completed the financial statements of the Royal Air Forces Association Formby branch for the year ended 31st December 2021, which comprises of the Income and Expenditure account, Balance Sheet. The Financial Statements have been prepared from the accounting records and evidence supplied to me.

Mrs J S Billington  
4 Ward Avenue  
Formby  
Merseyside  
L37 2JD

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## FORMBY BCH DRAFT RESERVE POLICY

1 message

**David Williams** <dwtwilliams@googlemail.com>

Tue, 4 Jan 2022 at 15:42

To: McGregor David <David\_mcgregor@hotmail.com>, ALAN SMITH <alansmith23balmoral@btinternet.com>

Cc: Marc Boyle <marc.boyle@rafa.org.uk>

Gents for comment

Following guidelines from RAFA and Charity Commission the Branch Trustees are required at the AGM each year to report what they have agreed should be the level of funds held as a Reserve. This serves to highlight monies available for charitable use or for investment in the alternative. The recommended level of the Reserve should be no more than the estimated equivalent of 2years expenditure.

Other than the annual rebate from RAFA the Branch is reliant on monies received from its investment held by Rathbones but with the addition of incurred management fees returned by Agreement with RAFA. The Trustees estimate that monies from these sources will be in the region of £23k in 2022. During 2022 it is the Branches intention to continue support to the 6 Air Cadet SQNs it currently sponsors, to maintain the continuance of the RAF flower roundel at Churchtown Botanic Gardens and anticipate required Welfare support at a level of £5k. The Trustees are of the view that the level of funds available to the Branch at 1/1/2022 circa £25k is in line with SORP and appropriate to form the base for the RESERVE for 2022.

End  
Regards

**ROYAL AIR FORCES ASSOCIATION FORMBY BRANCH**

England & Wales - Charity number 1078906

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# Accounts

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<b>Trustees' Annual Report for the period</b>						
Period start date			<b>To</b>	Period end date		
Day 01	Month 01	Year 2020		Day 31	Month 12	Year 2020

**Section A Reference and administration details**

**Branch name** RAFA FORMBY BRANCH

(referred to hereinafter as either the "Branch" or the "Charity")

**Other names / number Branch is known by**

**Registered charity number (if any)** 1078906

**Branch's principal address**

Royal Air Force Association	
RAF Woodvale, Formby Bypass, Formby,	
Liverpool, Merseyside	
<b>Postcode</b>	<b>L37 7AD</b>

**Names of the Branch charity trustees who manage the charity (generally known as the Branch Committee)**

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1	D McGregor	Chairman	10 03 2020	AGM
2	T D Williams	Treasurer	10 03 2020	AGM
3	A Smith	Secretary	10 03 2020	AGM
4	Mrs J Sefton	Wings	10 03 2020	AGM
5	F Jones	Membership Sec	10 03 2020	AGM
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**Names of any other trustees for the Branch (for example, any custodian trustees in relation to branch property)**

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**Risk management**

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## **Section D Achievements and performance**

**Summary of the main achievements of the branch during the year**

There have been no membership meetings since the last AGM on the 10th of March last year.

Eric Parker (our previous chairman for many years) sadly passed in May last year RIP.

Vernon Kendall (WW2 Halifax Rear Gunner) and enthusiastic RAFA (and Blind veterans) member sadly passed in April last year at the age of 94 RIP.

We donated £5,000 to RAFA for membership Covid relief.

We paid £500 to Botanic for the RAFA floral display.

Our Wings Co-ordinator (June Sefton) set up a Just Giving account for RAFA Formby Wings appeal and all local media outlets were informed. £115.27 Paid to wings RAFA

Our Welfare Officer (Alan Smith) constantly checked on any of our members needing help due to Covid along with his normal Welfare duties.

It was decided at during 2020 RAFA Formby Branch would select a Best Cadet from the local Air Cadet Squadrons. First £100, second £75 and third £50 prizes would be awarded. This will be carried forward to 2021.

We discovered that our branch catchment area now covers to Southport in the North, Crosby in the South and Skelmersdale in the East.

**Section E**

**Financial review**

**Brief statement of the branch's policy on reserves**

**Details of any funds materially in deficit**

**Further financial review details (Optional information)**

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**Section F Other optional information**

**Section G Declaration**

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

Signed on behalf of the branch's trustees

<b>Signature(s)</b>		
<b>Full name(s)</b>	David McGregor	Alan Smith
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Chairman	Secretary

**Date** 12 04 2021



**The Royal Air Forces Association - Formby Branch**

**Income and Expenditure Account for year ended 31st December 2020**

	2020		2019	
	£	£	£	£
<b><u>Income</u></b>				
Membership rebate	678		396	
Investment interest received	23,469		18,592	
Bank interest received	4		10	
Investment A/C Rathbones (owing)	5,265		10,960	
Total income		29,416		29,958
<b><u>Expenditure</u></b>				
Trips			830	
Meeting expenses				
Donations made	17,039		1,761	
Botanic Roundel	500		500	
Miscellaneous	161			
Transfer to Covid-19 welfare A/c	678			
Welfare			500	
		18,378		3591
<b>Surplus(Deficit) for the year</b>		<b>11,038</b>		<b>26,367</b>

<b>The Royal Air Forces Association - Formby Branch</b>				
<b>Balance Sheet As At 31st December 2020</b>				
	2020		2019	
	£	£	£	£
<b><u>Fixed Assets</u></b>				
N/A				
<b><u>Current Assets</u></b>				
Debtor (Rathbones)		5,265		10,961
Cash at bank - current A/c (23815285)		67182		50,376
Cash at bank - deposit A/c(23689670)		5030		5,027
Cash at bank - A/c (23863913)		5000		5,000
Cash in hand				75
Investment savings A/c		1,043,745		1,009,994
		<u>1,126,222</u>		<u>1,081,433</u>
<b><u>Less Current Liabilities</u></b>				
N/A		<u>Nil</u>		<u>Nil</u>
Net Current assets/(Liabilities)		<u>1,126,222</u>		<u>1,081,433</u>
<b>Represented By:</b>				
<b>Accumulated Fund</b>				
Balance as at 31st December 2019		1,081,433		951,849
Surplus(Deficit) for the year		11,038		26,367
Increase in investment Savings A/C		33,751		103,217
Balance As At 31st december 2020		<u>1,126,222</u>		<u>1,081,433</u>

**The Royal Air Forces Association - Formby Branch**

Notes to the Financial statements

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£678 Membership Rebate Transfer to Covid Welfare - Leicester Direct

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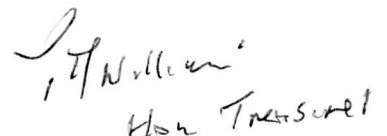


Mrs J S Billington  
4 Ward Avenue  
Formby  
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L37 2JD

22.3.2021



Andy Smith Hon Sec



J. Williams  
Hon Treasurer



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of Charity Name ROYAL AIRFORCES ASSOCIATION (FORMBY BRANCH)

On accounts for the year ended 31/12/2020 Charity no (if any) 1078906

Set out on pages 1-3 (remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

Responsibilities and basis of report As the charity's trustees, 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 [The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [ ] if not applicable.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below \*) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
the accounts did 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.

\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed: [Signature] Date: 22/3/21

Name: MRS JENNIFER SALLY BILLINGTON

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any): AAT CMA

Address: 4 WARD AVENUE FORMBY MERSEYSIDE L37 2JD

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**Section B**

**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.