

LIVERPOOL OLD HEBREW CONGREGATION

ANNUAL REPORT



2024-25

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HONORARY OFFICERS OF THE LIVERPOOL OLD HEBREW CONGREGATION 1831-2014

Year	Senior Warden	Junior Warden	Senior Treasurer	Junior Treasurer
1831-32	Israel Barned	Lewin Mozley	Abraham Abraham	Moss Joseph
1832-33	Israel Barned	Lewin Mozley	Moss Joseph	Joseph Hess
1833-34	Lewin Mozley	Moss Joseph	Abraham Jackson	Simpson Samuel
1834-35	Myer I Tobias	Abraham Abraham	David J Jackson	Samuel H Samuel
1835-36	Abraham Jackson	Joseph Hess	Barnett Joseph	Elias J Mozley
1836-37	Lewis Samuel	Elias J Mozley	Louis Samuel	Henry Lyon
1837-38	David J Jackson	Samuel H Samuel	Louis Samuel	Asher Cohen
1838-39	Israel Barned	Moss Joseph	Ellis S Yates	Henry Daniel
1839-40	Abraham Abraham	Joseph Hess	D Davieson	Barnet Levy
1840-41	Ellis S Yates	Louis Samuel	George W Tobias	Asher Cohen
1841-42	Elias J Mozley	Moss Joseph	Samuel H Samuel	John R Isaac
1842-43	Elias J Mozley	Samuel H Samuel	Barnett Joseph	John R Isaac
1843-44	Lewis Samuel	Barnett Joseph	Henry Lyon	Daniel Myers
1844-45	Abraham Abraham	Moss Joseph	AW Hart	Louis Samuel
1845-46	David J Jackson	Charles Mozley	David Behrend	Henry Hiams
1846-47	Joseph Hess	George W Tobias	Henry Hiams	Lewis H Samuel
1847-48	Joseph Hess	Henry Hiams	Ralph Hess	Daniel Myers
1848-49	Ellis S Yates	Ralph Hess	Henry S Samuel	Frederick A Jackson
1849-50	Abraham Abraham	Elias J Mozley	Henry S Samuel	George I Jackson
1850-51	Elias J Mozley	Henry S Samuel	George I Jackson	Barned Berrick
1851-52	David Behrend	George W Tobias	Barned Berrick	H Barnett
1852-53	Charles Mozley	George W Tobias	H Barnett	Henry Hess
1853-54	Charles Mozley	George W Tobias	Henry Hess	Sylvester L Samuel
1854-55	George W Tobias	Henry Hess	Ralph H Samuel	Charles S Samuel
1855-56	David Behrend	George I Jackson	Charles S Samuel	Bearman Gollin
1856-57	David Behrend	Charles S Samuel	Sylvester L Samuel	Lyon Goldsmith
1857-58	Charles S Samuel	Barnett Joseph	Sylvester L Samuel	Lyon Goldsmith
1858-59	Charles S Samuel	Sylvester L Samuel	George I Jackson	Edwin L Samuel
1859-60	Ralph H Samuel	Samuel Y Hess	Lewin B Mozley	Henry D Jackson
1860-61	Ralph H Samuel	Samuel Y Hess	Henry D Jackson	James Braham
1861-62	Lewin B Mozley	Henry D Jackson	George H Behrend	George S Yates
1862-63	Henry D Jackson	Bearman Gollin	George S Yates	Alfred S Samuel
1863-64	Edwin L Samuel	Benjamin R Isaac	Alfred S Samuel	Leon Marks
1864-65	Ralph H Samuel	Samuel Y Hess	Leon Marks	Jonas Reis
1865-66	George S Yates	Alfred S Samuel	Jonas Reis	David Lewis
1866-67	Harry S Samuel	Samuel Y Hess	Jonas Reis	David Lewis
1867-68	Harry S Samuel	Jonas Reis	David Lewis	Samuel Stern
1868-69	Harry S Samuel	Jonas Reis	Samuel Stern	S Salamons
1869-70	Harry S Samuel	Samuel Stern	Harry S Samuel	S Salamons
1870-71	Edwin L Samuel	George H Behrend	Abraham Hoffnung	L Robinson
1871-72	Abraham Hoffnung	Samuel Stern	Ralph Robinson	Edward W Yates
1872-73	Abraham Hoffnung	Harry S Samuel	Ralph Robinson	Louis S Cohen
1873-75	Abraham Hoffnung	Augustus S Levy	Louis S Cohen	Baron L Benas
1875-76	Augustus S Levy	Louis S Cohen	Baron L Benas	Abraham Lyons
1876-78	Augustus S Levy	Baron L Benas	Abraham Lyons	Maurice Aronsberg
1878-79	Baron L Benas	Abraham Lyons	Maurice Aronsberg	Edwin M Davis
1879-80	Baron L Benas	Abraham Lyons	Edwin M Davis	Alfred M Jackson
1880-81	Harry S Samuel	Edwin M Davis	Alfred M Jackson	Henry A Tobias
1881-82	Edwin M Davis	Alfred M Jackson	Henry A Tobias	Abraham Stern
1882-84	George S Yates	Ralph Robinson	Abraham Stern	Phillip S Levy
1884-85	Alfred M Jackson	Ralph Robinson	Phillip S Levy	Albert H Samuel
1885-86	Ralph Robinson	Phillip S Levy	Albert H Samuel	Alfred L Benas
1886-88	Ralph Robinson	Albert H Samuel	Alfred L Benas	D Morton Joseph
1888-89	Ralph Robinson	Albert H Samuel	Alfred L Benas	Adolph Meyer
1889-91	Albert H Samuel	Alfred L Benas	Adolph Meyer	Victor Goldberg
1891-92	Edward W Yates	Adolph Meyer	Victor Goldberg	Joseph Hess
1892-93	Edward W Yates	Victor Goldberg	Joseph Hess	David Gabrielsen
1893-94	Victor Goldberg	Joseph Hess	David Gabrielsen	Phineas A Benas
1894-95	Victor Goldberg	Abraham Stern	David Gabrielsen	Nathan Moss
1895-97	David Gabrielsen	Abraham Stern	Samuel J Henochsberg	Ellis K Yates
1897-99	David Gabrielsen	Edward W Yates	Ellis K Yates	Louis Solomon

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LIVERPOOL OLD HEBREW CONGREGATION

Reader

Edward Marks
9 Hereford Road, Liverpool, L15 9HJ

Burial Grounds

The Cemetery, Thomas Drive, Broad Green, Liverpool, L14 3LD
The Cemetery, Deane Road, Liverpool, L7 0ET

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OFFICERS

2024-25 5784-85

VARIOUSLY ELECTED AND APPOINTED AT THE AGM HELD ON 14 APRIL 2024

HONORARY OFFICERS

Chairman:	Mrs AM Cohen
Senior Warden:	(vacant)(ED Rosenfield acting)
Junior Warden:	(vacant)
Honorary Treasurer:	(vacant)(J Rosenthal acting)
Honorary Secretary:	ED Rosenfield

CHARITABLE TRUSTEES

MP Phillips
J Rosenthal
and the Honorary Officers

BURIAL BOARD

S Matalon (chairman) and volunteers

BOOKKEEPERS

KLAS

AUDITORS

Haines Watts

INVESTMENT ADVISORS

(no appointment made)

REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CONGREGATION

on the Liverpool Kashrut Commission

(no appointment made)

on the Hospital Visitation Committee

Mrs LP Maginn

on the Merseyside Jewish Representative Council

Chairman, Dr PJ Grant, RH Stone

at the Home for Aged Jews

(no appointment made)

at Cheder Etz Chaim

S Marks

to the Braham Trust

Chairman, Honorary Treasurer, Mrs GSH Stone (chair), Ms BJ Stone-Power, RH Stone

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR MEMBERS

Recital of Memorial Prayer

If members wish the recital of a memorial prayer in all Yizkor services each year, the names of such relatives may be inscribed on the memorial boards in the annexe and so recited in perpetuity. It is, however, necessary to make such arrangements with the office to facilitate this.

Prior to the Day of Atonement, a special notice is sent to all members calling their attention to the recital of a memorial prayer in memory of relatives. On receipt of a reply, the name or names of the deceased is recited with due solemnity on the Day of Atonement only.

Birth

Son – Information as to the services of a mohel is obtainable from the minister.

Daughter – It is customary for the father of the child to attend the synagogue service for calling-up to the reading of the law, at which time the baby is named.

Schooling

Parents are urged to enlist their children at the Cheder Etz Chaim at the time of their starting primary schooling. The principal will be pleased to interview parents and enrol children at Childwall Hebrew Congregation, Beauclair Drive, on Sundays at 10.00am.

Bar Mitzvah

Parents of a boy approaching his Bar Mitzvah year should confirm the correct date for the event and notify the minister of their wish for the ceremony to take place in the synagogue. It is a long-standing rule that the Bar Mitzvah present himself to the minister for an interview at least six weeks before the event.

Bat Mitzvah

Parents of a girl approaching her Bat Mitzvah year (12 years), and who wish to participate in the celebration of this important event should make contact with the minister.

Wedding

The bride and bridegroom should make a personal application to the minister, as the ecclesiastical authorities require certain information. The scale of fees, including those for the services of the choir and organist, is available at the synagogue chambers. Ideally, four months' notice is required to deal with the Chief Rabbinate's requirements.

Sickness

In case of sickness, a letter or telephone call to the synagogue office or to the minister will result in a visit to the sick, whether at home or in hospital.

Death

The religious rites and funeral arrangements at Broad Green cemetery are the responsibility of the Burial Board. A personal visit or telephone call to the chairman of the Burial Board (07932 460296) or the synagogue secretary (0151-709 3431) will receive immediate and sympathetic attention.

Yahrzeit Notice

Members will be notified of a yahrzeit annually by post if they communicate to the minister the Hebrew name and date of death of the deceased.

Broad Green Cemetery

The cemetery is open on the four Sundays prior to Rosh Hashanah and on the Sunday immediately prior to Yom Kippur. The entry code for the padlock on the front gates is available on request.

Deane Road Cemetery

The cemetery is opened on request.

Memorial Stone

The memorial stone is usually erected and consecrated for the first yahrzeit. The minister will readily assist in the arrangements, and fix a suitable time and date.

Kiddush

A member who wishes to sponsor a kiddush should contact the minister or secretary or contact the Senior Warden.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2024-25

This has been an historic year in the life of the shul. In September, we began an amazing six-month programme of events with a wonderful celebration at St George's Hall, the site of the inaugural dinner in 1874. We could not quite stretch to the 17 courses that were served up at the first dinner but, nevertheless, we enjoyed a lunch/supper in the Concert Hall. Anne Robinson was the MC at the formal proceedings and we were treated to a superb presentation by the Chief Rabbi.

The next six months involved talks from many external visitors and lecturers who gave us a very full overview of Liverpool's Jewish History. We also had three very memorable concerts. Thanks must go to Robin Makin for using all his many contacts and masterminding and hosting all these events – he certainly earned a month's rest in Australia at the end of all this!

No major event can take place without our team of stewards, ably led by Jeremy Myers. I am aware that this is no easy task and I would like to thank each and every one of his team.

Concerts require a huge amount of work from Roy and Lynda Stone, plus help from Michael Swerdlow in setting up loudspeaker and sound systems. Without them, these events can't happen – thank you all.

In preparation for all the visitors who came through the shul during this six-month period, Linda Tragen researched and put together a superb exhibition in the annexe. This was displayed in part at St George's Hall in September. Alaster Burman helped her to assemble this; many thanks to both of you.

This year has seen a steady stream of tours coming to visit the shul, bringing in upwards of £15,000. The tourists range in age from five years old to 80+-year-olds. Peter Grant is our leader in this department and he relies on a small band of volunteers, each of whom bring their own strengths. We have managed to find a couple of new ones this year but, unfortunately, due to ill-health, we have also lost a couple. I am appealing to you all to offer to help or to try and encourage others to offer.

Edward Rosenfield has continued to strengthen our interfaith links in this area, something that I regard as extremely important. The interfaith walks continue twice yearly with visits and talks in the mosque behind us, the Greek Orthodox church opposite and the church next door. I spoke here in September to the group and got many interesting questions. There are usually around 150 people there is an opportunity to chat over food – kosher, halal or none of the above. The next one is on June 12th; it would be nice to have a bigger Jewish representation this time.

In May, we held a fascinating discussion between two Israelis on the current situation in the Middle East. They came from opposing points of view, one being Palestinian and one being Jewish. It was a collaboration between the Archbishop Desmond Tutu Centre for War and Peace, Liverpool Cathedral and LOHC. It was attended by people from different backgrounds and was a very thought-provoking and civilised evening. It is expected that there will be more such events; thank you, Edward, for forging these links.

Again this year, we held the Civic Service at the shul, but under the auspices of the Reform Shul. Nevertheless, people who have never been before marvel at the beauty of the building and some opt to come back on tours. Once again, our choir was outstanding for this event.

Obviously, first and foremost, we are a working shul and, in March this year, we saw a Bar Mitzvah – a rare event. Mazal Tov therefore to Saul and Leanne Marks and of course to Seth for his excellent rendition of the sedra. He, of course, can now swell the numbers for a minyan on Shabbat.

Yigal Wachmann continues to come from Manchester but on a less frequent basis. Services are now shared between Edward Marks, Saul Marks, Neil Nevitt, Les Lancaster, Edward Rosenfield, Rabbi

Fabian Sborovsky and Gordon Levy, who sometimes leads the service. The shul is now opened each week on a flexible rota basis involving Roy Stone, Martin Green, Saul Marks, Solly Matalon and Edward Rosenfield. Without this help and inter-co-operation between you, this would not be possible – thank you all so much.

The choir continues to delight and, talking of the choir, we had a lovely celebration to mark Ruth Raisman's 90th birthday very recently when the choir were in full voice. Mazal Tov, Ruth.

Hopefully, you will have noticed that the garden is being kept relatively under control by Malcolm Phillips and our most helpful non-member, Eric Cohen, which I know we all appreciate.

I am aware that there are people in the congregation who feel that the Trustees are not doing enough to support the shul and are not listening to them. I can assure you that we do listen but must remind you that there are only four of us, all of whom are just volunteers and who must prioritise that which we feel is most effective. Constant counter-suggestions begin to feel as if we are children not bringing up their grandchildren as they would like.

I am in the position to tell you that a Heritage Lottery Fund bid is being submitted in early June. Should this be won, it would fund a full structural survey of the shul, disabled access, improved toilet facilities and a tours and events co-ordinator. We have worked very hard to put this together with Alan Smith who head of Heritage Preservation and Development in the city. We have been extremely lucky to have benefited from his expertise in both seeing the bigger picture and having the know-how to put together a bid. He is also very keen to develop a Friends of Princes Road committee with his colleague Chris Brown who has done lots of work with Max Steinberg. Having considered all the options, the trustees feel that this is the best way forward for the synagogue.

Just to complete my "thank you"s:

- Solly Matalon continues to be the Burial Board and Alaster Burman looks after the site and keeps it looking in good order
- Michael Galley tirelessly tries to maximise the Gift Aid contributions to the shul.
- Steven Elackman is a most reliable member of the shul who helps out when Malcolm Phillips is either unavailable to sort out problems with the building, or when contractors need to be involved.
- Petula Nevitt, our general factotum, does an amazing job as administrator, telephonist and caretaker. Without her, we would not be able to cope.

I am grateful to you all, thank you.

Fellow Trustees, I haven't forgotten you! We see a huge amount of each other, probably around every two to three weeks. Thank you all for everything you do, both for the shul and for me. I value everything, but especially your friendship.

ALISON COHEN

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(for the Year Ended 31 December 2024)

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.12.24 Total funds £	31.12.23 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM				
Donations and legacies	96,930	-	96,930	80,758
Investment income	996	-	996	4,531
Total	97,926	-	97,926	85,289
EXPENDITURE ON				
Raising funds	-	-	-	1,311
Charitable activities				
Princes Road Synagogue	145,874	765	146,639	96,298
Total	145,874	765	146,639	97,609
Net gains/(losses) on investments	-	-	-	(2,788)
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(47,948)	(765)	(48,713)	(15,108)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS				
Total funds brought forward	103,403	5,724	109,127	124,235
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	55,455	4,959	60,414	109,127

BALANCE SHEET
(at 31 December 2024)

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.12.24 Total funds £	31.12.23 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS				
Tangible assets	18,136	-	18,136	18,151
Investments	-	-	-	111,640
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	18,136	-	18,136	129,791
CURRENT ASSETS				
Debtors	4,705	4,906	9,611	7,433
Cash at bank	51,712	53	51,765	6,082
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	56,417	4,959	61,376	13,515
CREDITORS				
Amounts falling due within one year	(19,099)	-	(19,099)	(34,179)
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NET CURRENT ASSETS	37,318	4,959	42,277	(20,664)
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TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	55,454	4,959	60,413	109,127
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NET ASSETS	55,454	4,959	60,413	109,127
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FUNDS				
Unrestricted funds			55,454	103,403
Restricted funds			4,959	5,724
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TOTAL FUNDS			60,413	109,127
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DEATHS

During the year between the AGMs of 2024 and 2025, the congregation was saddened by the deaths of members whose names are recorded below. We express our deepest sympathies to all who were bereaved.

Jack Levin
Philip Canter
Danielle Brookes
Norman Wolfson
Gill Solomon
Jeffrey Weltman
Clive Brookes

HONORARY OFFICERS OF THE LIVERPOOL OLD HEBREW CONGREGATION 2014 TO DATE **(dating from the SGM of 21 December 2014)**

Year	Chairman	Senior Warden	Junior Warden	Honorary Treasurer	Honorary Secretary
2014-15	Alaster L Burman	Laurence S Goldman	(vacant)	Edward M Mott-Cowan	Mrs Linda Bracey
2015-16	Alaster L Burman	Laurence S Goldman	(vacant)	Roy H Stone	Mrs Linda Bracey
2016-17	Alaster L Burman	Laurence S Goldman	Saul Marks	Roy H Stone	Mrs Linda Bracey Dr Peter J Grant
2017-18	Alaster L Burman	Saul Marks	(vacant)	Roy H Stone	Dr Peter J Grant
2018-19	Saul Marks	Saul Marks	Dr Peter J Grant	Roy H Stone	Daniel B Kay
2019-21	Saul Marks	Saul Marks	Dr Peter J Grant	Julian Rosenthal	Daniel B Kay
2021-22	Saul Marks	Saul Marks	(vacant)	Julian Rosenthal	Daniel B Kay
2022-23	Mrs Alison M Cohen	Saul Marks	(vacant)	Julian Rosenthal	Daniel B Kay
2023-24	Mrs Alison M Cohen	Saul Marks (vacant)	(vacant)	Julian Rosenthal	Daniel B Kay Edward D Rosenfield
2024-25	Mrs Alison M Cohen	(Edward D Rosenfield)	(vacant)	(Julian Rosenthal)	Edward D Rosenfield

(Brackets around a name indicate acting in that role without formally being elected)

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Year	Senior Warden	Junior Warden	Senior Treasurer	Junior Treasurer
1899-1900	David Gabrielsen	Eliot Levy	Ellis K Yates	Louis Solomon
1900-02	David Gabrielsen	Eliot Levy	Louis Solomon	Felix Rosenheim
1902-07	David Gabrielsen	Eliot Levy	Louis Solomon	Herbert J Davis
1907-08	Herbert J Davis	Ellis K Yates	Phineas A Benas	Herbert W Levy
1908-11	Herbert J Davis	Ellis K Yates	Herbert W Levy	Harold L Cohen
1911-13	Ellis K Yates	Herbert W Levy	Harold L Cohen	Henry Lyons
1913-15	Ellis K Yates	Herbert W Levy	Harold L Cohen	Edward A Behrend
1915-17	Alfred M Jackson	Herbert W Levy	Harold L Cohen	Edward A Behrend
1917-19	Alfred M Jackson	Harold L Cohen	Edward A Behrend	Lionel Collins
1919-22	Harold L Cohen	Lionel Collins	Edward A Behrend	David Harrinson
1922-23	Lionel Collins	Ellis K Yates	David Harrinson	Joseph Vos
1923-26	Lionel Collins	Herbert J Davis	David Harrinson	Joseph Vos
1926-27	David Harrinson	Herbert J Davis	Joseph Vos	Harold Lipkin
1927-28	David Harrinson	Herbert J Davis	Joseph Vos	Alfred Levy
1928-30	David Harrinson	Joseph Vos	Maurice Rathbone	Baron T Globe
1930-32	Joseph Vos	Baron T Globe	Maurice Rathbone	Alfred M Urding
1932-34	Joseph Vos	Baron T Globe	Alfred M Urding	Harry Solomon
1934-35	Baron T Globe	Alfred M Urding	Harry Solomon	Moss Greenberg
1935-36	Alfred M Urding	Alfred M Urding	Harry Solomon	Moss Greenberg
1936-39	Alfred M Urding	Harry Solomon	David Cantor	Max Levinson
1939-42	Harry Solomon	David Harrinson	Max Levinson	Lewis M Lyons
1942-45	Bertram BB Benas	Max Levinson	Lewis M Lyons	Henry Carr
1945-48	Max Levinson	Lewis M Lyons	Henry Carr	Henry G Finestone
1948-50	Lewis M Lyons	Henry Carr	Samuel Levy	J Phillip Jacobs
1950-53	Henry Carr	Samuel Levy	J Phillip Jacobs	Emmanuel Pearson
1953-56	Samuel Levy	J Phillip Jacobs	Emmanuel Pearson	Dr B Asher Cowan
1956-57	J Phillip Jacobs	Emmanuel Pearson	Dr B Asher Cowan	Israel Davies
1957-59	J Phillip Jacobs	Emmanuel Pearson	Israel Davies	Alexander Myerson
1959-62	Israel Davies	Alexander Myerson	Dr Morris Datnow	Dr Alexander Stone
1962-65	Alexander Myerson	Dr Alexander Stone	Neville C Goldrein	Jonathan A Roskin
1965-68	Dr Alexander Stone	Neville C Goldrein	Jonathan A Roskin	David Carr
1968-71	Neville C Goldrein	Jonathan A Roskin	David Carr	B Terry Lipson
1971-74	Jonathan A Roskin	David Carr	B Terry Lipson	Dr Oskar Dover
1974-76	David Carr	B Terry Lipson	Dr Oskar Dover	Stephen Ralph
1976-78	B Terry Lipson	Dr Oskar Dover	Stephen Ralph	Dr Leon Robinson
1978-80	Dr Oskar Dover	Stephen Ralph	Dr Leon Robinson	Mervin Kingston
1980-82	Stephen Ralph	Dr Leon Robinson	Mervin Kingston	Edward M Mott-Cowan
1982-83	Dr Leon Robinson	Mervin Kingston	Edward M Mott-Cowan	Dr Eric Levy
1983-85	Mervin Kingston	Edward M Mott-Cowan	Dr Eric Levy	Eric G Goldrein
1985-87	Edward M Mott-Cowan	Dr Eric Levy	Eric G Goldrein	David R Grantham
1987-89	Dr Eric Levy	Eric G Goldrein	David R Grantham	Michael A Maginn
1989-91	Eric G Goldrein	David R Grantham	Michael A Maginn	Martin W Green
1991-93	David R Grantham	Michael A Maginn	Martin W Green	Jeffrey L Bracey
1993-94	Michael A Maginn	Martin W Green	Jeffrey L Bracey	Cecil I Moss
1994-95	Martin W Green	Jeffrey L Bracey	Cecil I Moss	Norman Marks
1995-96	Jeffrey L Bracey	Cecil I Moss	Norman Marks	Alaster L Burman
1996-97	Cecil I Moss	Norman Marks	Alaster L Burman	Manny Boher
1997-98	Norman Marks	Alaster L Burman	Manny Boher	(vacant)
1998-99	Alaster L Burman	Manny Boher	Dr Sidney Grant	Michael P Abisgold
			Michael P Abisgold	Laurence S Goldman
			Laurence S Goldman	(vacant)
			Laurence S Goldman	Michael A Galley
1999-2000	Manny Boher	Dr Mervin Kingston	Michael A Galley	(vacant)
2000-01	Manny Boher	Laurence S Goldman	Michael A Galley	(vacant)
2001-02	Laurence S Goldman	Ronald Bracey	Michael A Galley	(vacant)
2002-03	Laurence S Goldman	Ronald Bracey	Michael A Galley	Harold Cowan
2003-04	Ronald Bracey	Harold Cowan	Michael A Galley	(vacant)
2004-05	Ronald Bracey	Michael A Galley	Laurence S Goldman	Ilan J Benjamin
2005-06	Michael A Galley	(vacant)	Laurence S Goldman	Ilan J Benjamin
2006-07	Laurence S Goldman	(vacant)	Neville C Goldrein	Saul Marks
2007-08	Laurence S Goldman	(vacant)	Neville C Goldrein	(vacant)
2008-09	Laurence S Goldman	Neville C Goldrein	Saul Marks	(vacant)
2009-10	Neville C Goldrein	Laurence S Goldman	Saul Marks	(vacant)
2010-11	Laurence S Goldman	Neville C Goldrein	Saul Marks	(vacant)
2011-14	Laurence S Goldman	(vacant)	Saul Marks	(vacant)

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2024
for
The Liverpool Old Hebrew Congregation

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The Liverpool Old Hebrew Congregation

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for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

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The Liverpool Old Hebrew Congregation

Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objects of the congregation

- a) The advancement of the Jewish religion,
- b) To maintain, repair and preserve, for the benefit of the public, the synagogue at Princes Road with all its artefacts and chattels and also its cemeteries.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Principal funding sources

The majority of the Charity's income comes from donations and members contributions.

Reserves policy

Funds relative to the ongoing fabric of the synagogue together with any funds held for third parties are maintained as separate restricted funds.

FUTURE PLANS

The major challenge to the charity is to maintain its income and obtain funding for further necessary repairs and refurbishment to the Synagogue and upkeep of cemeteries.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust. It was originally registered on 19 September 1874 under the Place of Worship Registrations Act 1855 and was registered by the Charity Commission on 1 November 2001.

Organisational structure

The Congregation is administered by a Board of Charitable Trustees, which comprises the Honorary Officers (Senior and Junior Wardens, Chairman, Honorary Treasurer and Honorary Secretary) plus seven other Trustees.

The above Board meets to review current financial and administrative matters and to plan for the future.

Induction and training of new trustees

Trustees are encouraged to attend appropriate external training events where these will facilitate the undertaking of their role.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1089175

Principal address

Synagogue Chambers
Princes Road
Liverpool
L8 1TG

Trustees

J Rosenthal (Hon. Treasurer)
E D Rosenfield (Trustee), (Hon. Sec)
M P Phillips (Trustee)
Mrs A M Cohen (Trustee & Chairman)

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on and signed on its behalf by:

.....
Mrs A M Cohen - Trustee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
The Liverpool Old Hebrew Congregation

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Liverpool Old Hebrew Congregation

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Liverpool Old Hebrew Congregation (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 2024.

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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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.

Michael Forshaw FCA

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Date:

The Liverpool Old Hebrew Congregation

Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

		Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.12.24 Total funds £	31.12.23 Total funds £
	Notes				
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		96,930	-	96,930	80,758
Investment income	2	996	-	996	4,531
Total		97,926	-	97,926	85,289
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds	3	-	-	-	1,311
Charitable activities					
Princes Road Synagogue		145,874	765	146,639	96,298
Total		145,874	765	146,639	97,609
Net gains/(losses) on investments		-	-	-	(2,788)
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(47,948)	(765)	(48,713)	(15,108)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		103,403	5,724	109,127	124,235
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		55,455	4,959	60,414	109,127

The notes form part of these financial statements

The Liverpool Old Hebrew Congregation

Balance Sheet

31 December 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.12.24 Total funds £	31.12.23 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	7	18,136	-	18,136	18,151
Investments	8	-	-	-	111,640
		18,136	-	18,136	129,791
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	9	4,705	4,906	9,611	7,433
Cash at bank		51,712	53	51,765	6,082
		56,417	4,959	61,376	13,515
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	10	(19,099)	-	(19,099)	(34,179)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		37,318	4,959	42,277	(20,664)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		55,454	4,959	60,413	109,127
NET ASSETS		55,454	4,959	60,413	109,127
FUNDS	12				
Unrestricted funds				55,454	103,403
Restricted funds				4,959	5,724
TOTAL FUNDS				60,413	109,127

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on and were signed on its behalf by:

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A M Cohen - Trustee

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, with the exception of investments which are included at market value, as modified by the revaluation of certain assets.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Irrecoverable VAT is charged against the category of the resources expended for which it was incurred.

Allocation and apportionment of costs

Costs for each fund are allocated according to the direct costs incurred by each fund.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Freehold property - see heritage assets policy below

Fixtures and fittings - 15% reducing balance

Fund accounting

The Unrestricted Funds comprise the General Fund and Designated Fund B.

The Restricted Funds comprise:

- a. Kol Nidre Fund represents charity collections not yet paid over.
- b. Restoration Fund represents funds donated specifically for the restoration of the synagogue and for the continuity of the Congregation.
- c. Deane Road Fund represents funds donated specifically for the restoration and maintenance of the closed cemetery.

Heritage assets

The freehold property, which consists of the Synagogue in Princes Road Liverpool, is considered to be an historic and inalienable asset. Its residual value is considered to be in excess of the cost shown in these accounts and therefore no depreciation is provided. The property has not been revalued because in the opinion of the trustees, the costs of professionally valuing this asset would outweigh the benefits to the users of these accounts.

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

2. INVESTMENT INCOME

	31.12.24	31.12.23
	£	£
Dividends & interest	996	4,531

3. RAISING FUNDS

Raising donations and legacies

31.12.24	31.12.23
£	£

Investment management costs

31.12.24	31.12.23
£	£
Portfolio management	739
Aggregate amounts	1,311

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2024 nor for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2024 nor for the year ended 31 December 2023.

5. STAFF COSTS

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

31.12.24	31.12.23
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No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

6. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	80,758	-	80,758
Investment income	4,531	-	4,531
Total	85,289	-	85,289
EXPENDITURE ON			
Raising funds	1,311	-	1,311
Charitable activities			
Princes Road Synagogue	94,136	2,162	96,298
Total	95,447	2,162	97,609
Net gains/(losses) on investments	(2,788)	-	(2,788)
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(12,946)	(2,162)	(15,108)
Transfers between funds	1,435	(1,435)	-
Net movement in funds	(11,511)	(3,597)	(15,108)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	114,914	9,321	124,235
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	103,403	5,724	109,127

7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property £	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST				
At 1 January 2024 and 31 December 2024	18,050	3,694	894	22,638
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 January 2024	-	3,593	894	4,487
Charge for year	-	15	-	15
At 31 December 2024	-	3,608	894	4,502
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 December 2024	18,050	86	-	18,136
At 31 December 2023	18,050	101	-	18,151

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

8. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Listed investments £	Cash and settlements pending £	Totals £
MARKET VALUE			
At 1 January 2024	106,878	4,762	111,640
Disposals	(107,874)	(4,762)	(112,636)
Dividends & Interest	996	-	996
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At 31 December 2024	-	-	-
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NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 December 2024	-	-	-
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At 31 December 2023	106,878	4,762	111,640
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Cost or valuation at 31 December 2024 is represented by:

	Listed investments £	Cash and settlements pending £	Totals £
Valuation in 2023	106,878	4,762	111,640
Cost	(106,878)	(4,762)	(111,640)
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9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.12.24	31.12.23
	£	£
Trade debtors	-	6,240
Other debtors	9,611	1,193
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	9,611	7,433
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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.12.24	31.12.23
	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts (see note 11)	-	14,448
Trade creditors	-	132
Other creditors	19,099	19,599
	<u>19,099</u>	<u>34,179</u>

11. LOANS

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	31.12.24	31.12.23
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year on demand:		
Bank overdrafts	-	14,448
	<u>-</u>	<u>14,448</u>

12. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.1.24	Net movement in funds	At 31.12.24
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	103,403	(47,949)	55,454
Restricted funds			
Deane Road	5,724	(765)	4,959
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>109,127</u>	<u>(48,714)</u>	<u>60,413</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	97,926	(145,875)	(47,949)
Restricted funds			
Deane Road	-	(765)	(765)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>97,926</u>	<u>(146,640)</u>	<u>(48,714)</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

12. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.1.23 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.12.23 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	4,982	(12,946)	5,935	(2,029)
Fund B	109,932	-	(4,500)	105,432
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	114,914	(12,946)	1,435	103,403
Restricted funds				
Restoration Fund	704	-	-	704
Kol Nidre Fund	2,010	-	-	2,010
Deane Road	6,607	(2,162)	(1,435)	3,010
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	9,321	(2,162)	(1,435)	5,724
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TOTAL FUNDS	<hr/> 124,235 <hr/>	<hr/> (15,108) <hr/>	<hr/> - <hr/>	<hr/> 109,127 <hr/>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	85,289	(95,447)	(2,788)	(12,946)
Restricted funds				
Deane Road	-	(2,162)	-	(2,162)
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TOTAL FUNDS	<hr/> 85,289 <hr/>	<hr/> (97,609) <hr/>	<hr/> (2,788) <hr/>	<hr/> (15,108) <hr/>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

12. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.1.23 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.12.24 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	4,982	(60,895)	5,935	(49,978)
Fund B	109,932	-	(4,500)	105,432
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	114,914	(60,895)	1,435	55,454
Restricted funds				
Restoration Fund	704	-	-	704
Kol Nidre Fund	2,010	-	-	2,010
Deane Road	6,607	(2,927)	(1,435)	2,245
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	9,321	(2,927)	(1,435)	4,959
TOTAL FUNDS	<hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/>
	124,235	(63,822)	-	60,413

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	183,215	(241,322)	(2,788)	(60,895)
Restricted funds				
Deane Road	-	(2,927)	-	(2,927)
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TOTAL FUNDS	<hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/>
	183,215	(244,249)	(2,788)	(63,822)

13. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2024.

14. BURIAL BOARD ACTIVITIES

The £7,206 net Burial Board income is made up of;

Funerals £26,043, Donations £8,065, Bank Interest £37.

Less £26,939 of other related funeral expense. (Losses brought forward are available).

15. GIFT AID REPAYMENTS

Gift Aid repayments for 2024 amounted to £14,097 (2023 £10,933).

The Liverpool Old Hebrew Congregation

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

	31.12.24 £	31.12.23 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	36,237	3,033
Gift Aid repayments	7,857	10,933
Grants	9,262	1,965
Kol Nidre fund	188	863
Tours and Shop	15,100	13,366
Functions & Events	(773)	3,494
Annual contributions	27,495	44,766
Offerings	519	1,163
Kiddush receipts	145	325
Wedding receipts	900	850
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	96,930	80,758
Investment income		
Dividends & interest	996	4,531
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Total incoming resources	97,926	85,289
 EXPENDITURE		
Investment management costs		
Portfolio management	-	739
 Charitable activities		
Wage costs	17,746	16,622
Rates and water	813	(3,061)
Insurance	38,870	39,696
Light and heat	35,477	22,663
Telephone & Internet	1,578	1,959
Postage and stationery	492	1,083
Sundries	4,804	2,085
Security	10,341	9,253
Repairs & Maintenance	27,310	4,826
Festival & Kiddush expenses	20	1,920
Rabbi Costs	8,748	9,169
Service expenses	140	622
Travel expenses	-	5,738
Burial Board net expenditure	(7,206)	(25,480)
Deane Rd - Heritage expenditure	765	2,162
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	139,898	89,257
 Support costs		

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The Liverpool Old Hebrew Congregation

Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

	31.12.24 £	31.12.23 £
Support costs		
Other		
Bookkeeping	630	1,495
Bank Charges	2,200	2,014
Accountancy	2,500	3,500
Legal and professional fees	1,397	586
Fixtures and fittings	15	18
	<u>6,742</u>	<u>7,613</u>
Total resources expended	<u>146,640</u>	<u>97,609</u>
Net expenditure before gains and losses	(48,714)	(12,320)
Realised recognised gains and losses		
Unrealised gains/losses - fixed asset investments	-	(2,788)
Net expenditure	<u>(48,714)</u>	<u>(15,108)</u>

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