

THE SOCIETY OF FRIENDS OF HALIFAX MINSTER

Minutes of the 91st Annual General Meeting held in the Minster at 12.30pm on Sunday 6th October 2024.

The meeting began with a welcome and a prayer.

PRESENT: Revd Canon Hilary Barber (chair), Susan King, Sheila Stoppard, Mick Walker, Sally Clamp, Janet Hardy, John Hardy, Margaret V Whiteley, Diane Cothey, David Glover.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received from The Right Reverend David Hallett, The Right Reverend Alan Chesters, The Right Reverend Nigel McCulloch, Jenny Finder, Jan Collins, Lesley Bennion, Ann Coldwell, Michael Barlow, Jill Burrows, Elsie Northend, Anne Walker, Geoff Clamp, Barbara Holroyd, Brenda Binns.

MINUTES: The Minutes of the last Meeting were approved as correct.

MATTERS ARISING: There were none.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

ACCOUNTS: Sheila presented the Accounts and said that we had received a legacy of £40,000 which has been used to pay towards the repairs to the organ. The money raised on afternoon teas in 2023 was mainly paid via the card reader and for various reasons was not paid into The Friends' Accounts until after our year end, so will appear on the Accounts next year.

Hilary thanked Sheila for presenting the Accounts and for her hard work throughout the year.

VICAR'S REPORT AND PLANS FOR THE FUTURE: See attached sheet. David said he could ask the Antiquarian Society to help provide information about the history of The Minster.

Janet expressed concern about the future of The Friends as we all get older. We should do more to attract younger people to join and make sure that we have some leaflets available for visitors.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: As there were no other nominations Susan King will continue as Secretary and Sheila Stoppard as Treasurer. The following names were put forward for the Executive Committee; Jenny Finder, Angela Forsey, Mick Walker, Diane Coffey, and the Vicar, Secretary and Treasurer and were elected en bloc. Proposed by Janet Hardy, Seconded by Sally Clamp. With a vote of 7 for and 1 against.

The next AGM will take place on Sunday October 5th 2025.

The meeting closed with a silent tribute to Sir Ernest Hall, Philip Dyson and Revd Antony Foster who passed away since our last AGM and we ended with The Grace.

**SOCIETY OF FRIENDS OF HALIFAX MINSTER
ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2**

2024

£

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT -GENERAL PURPOSES FU

RECEIPTS

Subscriptions - Yearly	
Donations	375
Life Members Subscriptions	50
Proceeds from Afternoon Teas	
Nat Weat (RBS)	24
Legacy	40,000
Anne Lister Weekend	148
Tfr from CCLA	12,150
Afternoon Teas (Flower Festival)	
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	52,747

INVESTMENT INTEREST

Central Board of Finance	1,566
Building Society Interest	
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TOTAL RECEIPTS

54,321

PAYMENTS

Halifax Minster Altar/Lecturn	2,750
Stamps	#
Bank Charges	#
Sheila Stoppard Afternoon Teas	145
Halifax Minster Broiderers	
Tfr to CCLA	40,000
<u>TOTAL PAYMENTS</u>	<hr/>
	42,983

Excess of Receipts over Payments	11,338
Bank, Building Society and Central Board of Finance as at 31/3/23	17,519
Tfr From HSBC to CCLA	40,000
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	<u>68,857</u>

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2023
£

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875

641
46

228

702

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256
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2,799

120

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468

2,331

15,188

17,519

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS - PERMANENT ENDOWMENT FUND**2024****£****RECEIPTS**

Dividends and Income from Stocks and Shares

615

Building Society Interest

7

Central Board of Finance Deposit Fund Interest

594

1,212

Central Board of Finance and Building Society Balances
as at 31/03/24

68,857

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AT 31ST MARCH 2024**General
Purpose Fund**

HSBC Bank plc Treasures Account

14,161

Leeds Building Society Accounts (See Separate Sheet)

7

Central Board of Finance

53,797

68,857

SHARE HOLDINGS AT MARKET VALUE 31/03/24

155 Ordinary Shares Nat West Group (RBS)

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346 Ordinary Shares Relx plc

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389 Class B Ordinary Shares Shell

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2023

£

559

172

732

17,519

**Permanent
Endowment Fund**

2,888

13,152

16,040

£2.66 ##

£34.24 ###

£26.25 ###

£38,510

LLEDS BUILDING SOCIETY BREAKDOWN

Balance as at 31.03.23	£	1,699
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RECEIPTS

Dividends Shell	89
	102
	102
	105
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Relyx	134
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	#
Interest	119
	135
	163
	177
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398

193

598

1,189

2,888

PAYMENT

Balance at

£

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31/3/24 2,888

2,888

THE FRIENDS OF HALIFAX MINSTER (Charity number 1106122)

Independent examination of Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2024

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Friends of Halifax Minster (the Friends) for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the Friends 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 Friends 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: Alan Stears

Date: 18 September 2024