

BRAMCOTE OLD CHURCH TOWER TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 1135913

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Trust

Registered 2010-05-12

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

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Activities

Objects: 1 THE CARE FOR THE PROVISION OF MAINTENANCE, REPAIR AND RESTORATION OF THE GRADE II LISTED BRAMCOTE OLD CHURCH TOWER AND ITS GROUNDS, WHICH IS A PLACE OF LOCAL HISTORIC AND ARCHITECTURAL INTEREST2 TO PROMOTE THE PRESERVATION OF THE BRAMCOTE OLD CHURCH TOWER AND GROUNDS3 TO ENHANCE AND CONSERVE THE NATURAL HABITAT AND BIODIVERSITY WITHIN THE SITE4 TO ADVANCE EDUCATION BY SECURING FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC THE PRESERVATION, CONSERVATION, MAINTENANCE, PROTECTION, DEVELOPMENT, IMPROVEMENT AND USE OF BRAMCOTE OLD CHURCH TOWER 5 TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC IN THE USE, FUNCTION, DEVELOPMENT, HISTORY AND ARCHITECTURE OF BRAMCOTE OLD CHURCH TOWER IN GENERAL

Activities: The Trust has continued to organise a programme of events during the year, both on site and at other venues, allowing for Covid restrictions. We have arranged an Easter Egg trail, sale of volunteer made bird and bat boxes, bird spotting trail, a bat watch, make your own Mothering Sunday giftm a Pumpkin Trail and we also opened during Heritage weekend in September. The grounds are always open.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Sponsors Or Undertakes Research
- **What:** Education/training, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Environment/conservation/heritage
- **Who:** Children/young People, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** BRAMCOTE OLD CHURCH TOWER
- Nottinghamshire

Finances

| Period end | Income | Expenditure | Assets | Employees |
|------------|---------|-------------|--------|-----------|
| 2025-03-31 | £8,300 | £4,578 | - | - |
| 2024-03-31 | £13,048 | £5,356 | - | - |
| 2023-03-31 | £55,939 | £65,749 | - | - |
| 2022-03-31 | £60,076 | £58,102 | - | - |
| 2021-03-31 | £49,119 | £46,681 | - | - |

Trustees

| Name | Role | Appointed |
|------------------------|------|------------|
| Anthony Richard Brown | | 2021-05-20 |
| Dr Gillian Mary Naidoo | | 2022-07-06 |
| Gail Louise Graham | | 2023-01-12 |
| JASON RICHARD MORDAN | | 2017-05-25 |
| MICHAEL WILLIAM LYONS | | |
| Moira Robinson | | |
| PATRICIA MARY ASHWORTH | | 2017-05-25 |

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**Bramcote Old Church Tower Trust
Trustees' annual report
for the year ended 31 March 2023**

Full name Bramcote Old Church Tower Trust

Organisation type Trust

Registered charity number 1135913

Principal address

2 Dormy Close, Bramcote, Nottingham, NG9 3DE

Trustees

Jason Mordan, Chairman

Michael Lyons, Secretary

Moira Robinson

Gail Graham, from 12/1/23

Ruth Buttery, from 6/7/22

Gillian Naidoo, from 6/7/22, Treasurer

Patricia Ashworth

Anthony Brown

Jonathan Portwood, until 17/4/23

Independent examiner

John O'Brien, employee of Community Accounting Plus, Units 1 & 2 North West, 41 Talbot Street, Nottingham, NG1 5GL

Governance and management

The charity is operated under the rules of its trust deed adopted 12 May 2010.

New trustees are recruited depending on the needs of the Charity and Trustee discussion at minuted meetings.

Objectives and activities

The provision of maintenance, repair and restoration of the Tower and grounds.

To promote preservation.

To enhance and conserve the natural habitat and biodiversity within the site.

To educate the public in the history and heritage of the Tower and grounds.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit

An annual programme of fund raising events both on and off site.

Observe a regular monitoring of our Maintenance Plan.

We have a regular grounds maintenance plan to keep the site in a safe and attractive manner and a risk assessment is always carried out before events. The site is always open to the public although the Tower is only open whenever there are volunteers on site.

We also have a membership scheme.

Events are always advertised on our website, Facebook, posters displayed locally and within the site.

Bramcote Old Church Tower Trust

Public benefit statement

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit, 'Charities and Public Benefit'.

Summary of the main achievements during the period

Events where the site is open for people to follow picture trails on various themes: Easter eggs, pumpkins, 12 days of Christmas, birds.

Fundraising events, Easter, Strawberry Fayre, Heritage Open Days, two Quiz nights, Plant sale.

Events for children, Mediaeval Day, Teddy Bears Picnic, Spooky Crafts, engagement with local schools.

Events for adults, Photography workshop, willow basket workshop.

The charity's policy on reserves

The Trustees agreed with Heritage Lottery Fund to maintain a reserve of £5,917.

Financial review & risks

The grant from Heritage Lottery Funding came to an end in July 2022.

This, combined with the current inflationary pressures combine to create financial concern. Our net operating loss in this accounting year was £8,051.11. However, this figure included two insurance premiums of around £2,000 each and no income from membership fees.

Taking our Reserve policy into account, the available current account funds as of 31/03/2023 are £2,956.27.

The charity's sustainable financial health is dependent on raising money whilst fulfilling our charitable objectives.

There are plans to:

- Develop new activities, particularly focussing on the local history and habitats.

- Apply for new funding streams.

- To develop 'Friends of the Tower' through annual donations.

- To encourage ad hoc donations at events and online.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:



Signed _____

Jason Mordan, Trustee

_____ Date 14th June 2023

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of
Bramcote Old Church Tower Trust
for the year ended 31 March 2023**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Bramcote Old Church Tower Trust (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

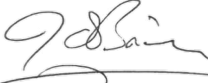
I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no 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 charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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  Date 17/6/2023
John O'Brien MSc, FCCA, FCIE
Employee of Community Accounting Plus

Bramcote Old Church Tower Trust
Receipts & payments account
for the year ended 31 March 2023

| 2022 | | | 2023 |
|--------------|---|--------------|--------------|
| Total | | Unrestricted | Restricted |
| Funds | | Funds | Funds |
| £ | Note | £ | £ |
| | | | Total |
| | | | Funds |
| | | | £ |
| | Receipts | | |
| 55762 | Grants & donations | 2 23704 | 29249 |
| 3650 | Events | 2919 | - |
| 192 | Membership | - | - |
| - | Sales | 26 | - |
| 2 | Bank interest | - | 1 |
| 470 | Sundry income | 40 | - |
| <u>60076</u> | Total receipts | <u>26689</u> | <u>29250</u> |
| | Payments | | |
| 42853 | Consultancy | 17808 | 29099 |
| - | Charitable activities | 1248 | - |
| 127 | Membership | 65 | - |
| 570 | Utilities | 177 | - |
| 269 | Office costs | 1939 | - |
| - | Equipment | 1862 | - |
| 10596 | Events | 2039 | 600 |
| 1797 | Insurance | 3971 | - |
| 1350 | Premises maintenance | 1575 | 1392 |
| - | Gifts & donations | 3070 | - |
| 540 | Professional fees | 779 | - |
| - | Sundry payments | 125 | - |
| <u>58102</u> | Total payments | <u>34658</u> | <u>31091</u> |
| 1974 | Net receipts/(payments) | (7969) | (1841) |
| 16716 | Cash funds at start of this period | 16849 | 1841 |
| <u>18690</u> | Cash funds at end of this period | <u>8880</u> | <u>-</u> |
| | | | <u>8880</u> |

Bramcote Old Church Tower Trust
Statement of assets and liabilities
at 31 March 2023

| 2022 | | 2023 |
|--------------|---|--------------|
| £ | | £ |
| 18690 | Cash assets | |
| <u>18690</u> | Bank accounts | <u>8880</u> |
| | | 8880 |
| | Other monetary assets | |
| 67 | Prepayments: Membership | - |
| <u>67</u> | | <u>-</u> |
| | Assets retained for the charity's own use | |
| | General equipment. | |
| | Table and chairs purchase 2020 at a cost of £1031 | |
| | Liabilities | |
| (540) | Creditors: Independent examination | (576) |
| <u>(540)</u> | | <u>(576)</u> |

These financial statements are accepted on behalf of the charity by:

Gillian M. Naidoo

Signed _____ Dated 14th June 2023 _____
 Gillian M. Naidoo, Trustee

Bramcote Old Church Tower Trust
Notes to the accounts
for the year ended 31 March 2022

1. Receipts & payments accounts

Receipts and payments accounts contain a summary of money received and money spent during the period and a list of assets and liabilities at the end of the period. Usually, cash received and cash spent will include transactions through bank accounts and cash in hand.

2. Grants & donations

| | Unrestricted £ | Restricted £ | Total £ |
|---------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Heritage Lottery Grant | - | 29249 | 29249 |
| Sundry grants & donations | 23704 | - | 23704 |
| | 23704 | 29249 | 52953 |

3. Funds analysis

| | Opening balance £ | Receipts (Payments) £ | | Closing balance £ |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| Restricted funds | | | | |
| Heritage | 1841 | 29250 | (31091) | - |
| | 1841 | 29250 | (31091) | - |
| Unrestricted funds | | | | |
| General | 16849 | 26689 | (34658) | 8880 |
| | 16849 | 26689 | (34658) | 8880 |

Heritage Fund: Is for the restoration and upkeep of the Old Church Tower.

4. Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions

5. Trustees' remuneration

Trustees received no expenses, remuneration or benefits in this period.

6. Glossary of terms

Creditors: These are amounts owed by the charity, but not paid during the accounting period.

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Trustees

Moira Robinson

Jonathan Portwood

Michael Lyons

Jason Mordan

Pat Ashworth

Edward Peter Hillier, until 1/10/20

Condolence

The Trustees would like to express our sincere condolences to the family and friends of Peter Hillier on his death. Peter's hard work, knowledge and enthusiasm will be greatly missed.

Independent examiner

John O'Brien, employee of Community Accounting Plus, Units 1 & 2 North West, 41 Talbot Street, Nottingham, NG1 5GL

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Public benefit statement

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Summary of the main achievements during the period

We had a very full programme of events arranged for 2020 but due to Covid-19, this was seriously reduced.

The following events were cancelled:

Easter Egg Hunt, Ceilidh, AGM, Bat talk, Moth event, Archaeology Day, Local Carnival, Strawberry Fayre, Art Day, Teddy Bear's Picnic, Family Fun Sunday and Quiz Night.

We were able to open the weekend of Heritage Open Days in September 2020 albeit by pre-booking and limiting numbers. Nevertheless, it was very popular and successful.

In October we organised a Pumpkin Picture Trail on site followed by a 12 Days of Christmas Picture Trail in December/January.

In February one of our members purchased wood to make bird boxes. These were offered for sale in either kit form or already constructed. At the same time there was a further Picture Trail on site focusing on Birds.

Our final event was for Mothering Sunday in March 2021. We purchased undecorated ceramic bird feeders, small pots of acrylic paints, paint brushes and varnish and offered a set for purchase. These were very popular too.

We are hoping that the summer of 2021 will allow us to open to the public much more often so we can enjoy what we are good at welcoming visitors to our heritage building!

Our supporters are brilliant, giving so much of their time to the project, no matter what the task.

One of the aims we have during the HL grant period is to increase the number of volunteers we can call on. Unfortunately Covid-19 has made this really difficult at the moment but we hope to achieve our aim during 2021.

The charity's policy on reserves

We don't have a written policy on keeping any specific reserves. However, a financial report is always submitted at each Trustee meeting and discussed.

Financial review & risks

We have been extremely fortunate since the Autumn of 2017 as much of our expenditure since then has been covered by our Heritage Lottery grant. This has meant that the balance of our current account (Barclays) is healthy. The Grant expiry date is January 31st 2022.

Although we have been unable to keep too much of our prearranged programme of events, and look forward to the revenue that would have created, most of our expenditure has been for work that has been covered by our Heritage Lottery Grant. This has left our current account still healthy.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signed _____ Date _____
Jason Mordan, Trustee

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Signed _____ Date _____

John O'Brien MSc, FCCA, FCIE

Employee of Community Accounting Plus

**Bramcote Old Church Tower Trust
Statement of assets and liabilities
at 31 March 2021**

| 2020 | | 2021 |
|--------------|--|---------------------|
| £ | Cash assets | £ |
| <u>14277</u> | Bank accounts | <u>16716</u> |
| <u>14277</u> | | <u>16716</u> |
| | Assets retained for the charity's own use | |
| | General equipment. | |
| | Table and chairs purchase 2020 at a cost of £1031 | |
| | Liabilities | |
| <u>(540)</u> | Creditors :Independent examination. | <u>(540)</u> |
| <u>(540)</u> | | <u>(540)</u> |

These financial statements are accepted on behalf of the charity by:

Signed _____ Dated _____
Moira Robinson, Trustee

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2. Grants & donations

| | Unrestricted £ | Restricted £ | Total £ |
|---------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Heritage Lottery Grant | - | 28612 | 28612 |
| Gift Aid | 510 | - | 510 |
| Sundry grants & donations | 446 | 800 | 1246 |
| | <u>956</u> | <u>29412</u> | <u>30368</u> |

3. Funds analysis

| | Opening balance £ | Receipts (Payments) £ | | Closing balance £ |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| Restricted funds | | | | |
| Heritage | 203 | 29416 | (27272) | 2347 |
| | <u>203</u> | <u>29416</u> | <u>(27272)</u> | <u>2347</u> |
| Unrestricted funds | | | | |
| General | 14074 | 1344 | (1049) | 14369 |
| | <u>14074</u> | <u>1344</u> | <u>(1049)</u> | <u>14369</u> |

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4. Related party transactions

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