



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the
trustees/directors/
members of

Charity Name
Hereford In Bloom

On accounts for the year
ended

31 December 2023

Charity no.:

1154601

Company no.:

Set out on pages

4 to 5

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31/12/2022.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law), you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ("the 2006 Act").

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited for this year under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the 2011 Act"). In carrying out my examination, I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act).

Independent
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; or
- the accounts do not accord with such records; or
- the accounts do not comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 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; or
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102).

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:

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Date:

28.02.2025

Name: Sarah Kaye FCCA CTA

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

Association of Chartered Certified Accountants

Address:

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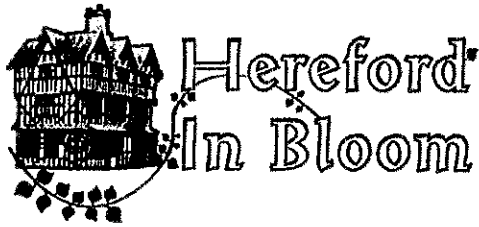
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Section B

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.



Trustees Report for the year ended 31 December 2023

Objectives and Activities

Hereford in Bloom has continued to maintain the flower baskets and beds throughout the year.

Achievements and Performance

Heart of England in Bloom has awarded Hereford, a Gold Award for 2023. Hereford in Bloom would like to thank all the groups of volunteers which helped the City, to achieve this coveted award. Heart of England judges were impressed with other charitable projects we visited. Two in particular: St Michaels Hospice and St Thomas Cantilupe C of E Academy who obtained special Heart of England individual awards.

Possibly one of our most successful years to date, with a difficult one to follow.

The enthusiasm of the volunteers who have weeded, mulched, maintained and watered flower beds and baskets throughout the year in all weathers. New volunteers are always needed but the current trend in the wider community for greener spaces has resulted in a severe shortage.

Cooperation with Hereford County and City Councils also helped to assist improving the look of our City by hedge and grass cutting. The installation of the wooden planters across the City improved the environment not only by helping to reduce carbon monoxide and increase oxygen levels but also to provide a greener look.

Kevin Knipe

Chairman

**HEREFORD IN BLOOM
ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2023**

INCOME

Sponsorship:	£9,350.00
Interest	£305.54
Herefordshire Council:	<u>£65,000.00</u>
	<u>£74,655.54</u>

EXPENDITURE

Bulbs, Plants, Accessories:	£7,683.29
Maintenance:	£6,507.13
HIB Watering:	£15,600.00
HCC Watering:	£47,312.00
Insurance:	£90.00
Judging Day Expenses:	£775.04
Accounts:	£300.00
Bank charges:	£79.60
Printing & Signs:	£627.66
Southbank Road:	£458.58
Blackfriars Bench:	£250.00
Christmas Dinner	£330.00
	<u>£80,013.30</u>

Brought forward (Bank Account) 31.12.22:	<u>£42,664.42</u>
Excess Expenditure Over Income:	<u>£5,357.76</u>
Carry Forward (Bank Account) 31.12.23:	<u>£37,306.66</u>

HSBC Account 02043009 - Charitable Bank account	16,970.92
HSBC Account 62257440 - Business Money Manager	<u>20,335.74</u>
	<u>37,306.66</u>

**HEREFORD IN BLOOM
FRIENDS OF BLACKFRIARS ROSE GARDEN**

ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2023

INCOME

Donations:	£838.00
Sponsorship:	£212.00
Garden Party:	£216.05
	<u>£1,266.05</u>

EXPENDITURE

Plants	£198.56
Soil improver:	£1,288.53
Signs:	£30.00
Bank charges:	£81.26
	<u>£1,598.35</u>

Brought forward (Bank Account) 31.12.22: £3,056.01

Excess of Expenditure over Income: £332.30

Carry Forward (Bank Account) 31.12.23: £2,723.71

HSBC Account 42194481 - Charitable Bank account 2,723.71