



# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

<b>From</b>	Period start date			<b>To</b>	Period end date		
	1 <sup>st</sup>	January	2020		31 <sup>st</sup>	December	2020

## Section A

## Reference and administration details

**Charity name** Wilkinson, Cobb and Hodgson Trust

**Other names charity is known by**

**Registered charity number (if any)** 1154612

**Charity's principal address** 10 York Road

Strensall

York

**Postcode**

YO32 5UN

### Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Rev Martin Harrison	Chairman		
2	Richard Thompson	Secretary/Treasurer		
3	Rose Arnold			
4	Leslie Osguthorpe			
5	Philip Coverdale			
6	Chris Chambers			Strensall with Towthorpe Parish Council
7	Dennis Baxter			Strensall with Towthorpe Parish Council
8	Amy Holden			

### Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

## Section B

## Structure, governance and management

### Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	One ex officio trustee, up to 3 nominated by Strensall with Towthorpe Parish Council and up to 5 appointed by the charity trustees

### Additional governance issues (Optional information)

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

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

The Ebor Academy Trust (EAT), a multi-academy trust, is responsible for the Robert Wilkinson Primary Academy (RWPA). The charity's trustees can nominate two Members and one Director to the Board of the EAT, and up to 3 governors for the Board of Governors for RWPA.

In line with the Charity's first objective, as well as being sited on land owned by the Charity, the Academy and its current and former pupils are the principal beneficiaries of bequests from the Charity under its first objective.

## Section C

## Objectives and activities

### Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The objectives are:

- 1) The advancement of education primarily for the benefit of children in the Parish of Strensall with Towthorpe and particularly the pupils of Robert Wilkinson Primary Academy. This includes making available land owned by the charity, as determined by the trustees, to the above Academy; and promoting the education of those under 25 and in need.
- 2) The relief of those in need by virtue of poverty, hardship or distress and resident in the above Parish or surrounding area by the provision of assistance and support (financial or otherwise) in such ways as the trustees from time to time think fit.

However, the trustees shall not be obliged to provide funding for the above which should otherwise be provided by the state (whether through central or local government or otherwise).



**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)**

The largest benefit activity has been the usual provision of book grants to former Robert Wilkinson Primary School pupils, and other young people living in Strensall, to help purchase books and similar materials for their university courses. This is in support of the first objective.

Assisting with the costs for a young lady to undertake an educational and voluntary working trip to Kenya also supported the first objective.

Again, the trustees have received relatively few requests for assistance in the period under review. In particular, the projects with potential funding from the Charity being considered by Robert Wilkinson Primary Academy have been put on hold while the academy concentrates on delivering education during the Covid-19 pandemic. This has meant that the Charity's funds have increased significantly over the year. It is anticipated that once the pandemic is over the academy will progress with one or more projects and the Charity will be able to provide financial support.

In their decisions to agree to requests for funding, the trustees have had due 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;
- contribution made by volunteers.

**Section D**

**Achievements and performance**

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

As noted above, the Charity has had a quiet year in terms of requests for funding. This has allowed it to both support all assistance requests, where consistent with the objectives, and to further increase its funds to be available for future developments at the Academy.

This Charity's accumulated funds are still well in excess of the targeted reserve.

## Section E

## Financial review

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

The Trustees aim to retain around £15,000 in the Charity's bank account in case of any major issues with its properties.

### Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

### Further financial review details (Optional information)

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

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

The Charity's income is relatively fixed as it is limited to rental income from its two residential properties and a small amount of agricultural land, together with dividends from several investment funds. However, the income from the latter has been lower in 2020 as some companies have cancelled dividends to preserve cash during the Covid-19 pandemic thereby reducing the income received by the funds.

## Section F

## Other optional information

## Section G

## Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

*Martin Harrison*

*R. Thompson*

Full name(s)

Rev Martin Harrison

Richard Thompson

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chairman

Secretary/Treasurer

Date

20/04/2021



**Wilkinson, Cobb and Hodgson Trust – Registered Charity 1154612**

Accounts for 1 January 2020 to 31 December 2020

Income	Income 2020	Income 2019	Notes	Expenditure	Expenditure 2020	Expenditure 2019	Notes
Residential property rent	15600.00	15600.00		Student grants	2250.00	3150.00	
Agricultural land rent	2011.20	2011.20		Other educational grants	1000.00	300.00	
Investment dividends	13422.84	16382.60	Company dividends reduced due to effects of Covid-19 on economy	Relief in Need grants	0.00	380.00	
Bank interest	0.00	0.00		Charity expenses	0.00	86.25	
Wayleaves	20.47	20.47		Insurance & York Landlords' fee	787.00	667.17	York RLA 2019 fee cheque not presented
				Maintenance and repairs for houses	432.20	2898.84	New boiler at 16A in 2019
				Contribution to work on public footpath on Charity's land	250.00	0.00	
				Public Liability Insurance	484.22	508.92	
TOTAL	31054.51	34014.27			5203.42	7991.18	

**EXAMINER'S UNQUALIFIED REPORT (FOR A NON-COMPANY CHARITY)****Independent examiner's report to the trustees of the Wilkinson, Cobb and Hodgson Trust (registered charity 1154612) ("the charity")**

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2020, which are attached.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### **Basis of independent examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

### **Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: 

Denise Edmondson  
57 Moor Lane  
Strensall  
York  
YO32

Date: 31st March 2021

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